



# Historic Preservation Master Plan Process

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## What's happening now?

A [public workshop](#) is scheduled for Thursday, January 30, 2014 from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at Cathedral of All Souls Parish Hall 3 Angle Street, Biltmore Village

## Staff Summary

Asheville and Buncombe County currently have a joint Historic Resources Commission (HRC) and a successful preservation program that has been in place since 1979. The HRC has now embarked on a process to develop a comprehensive historic preservation plan with the intention to guide future program development and decision-making for the community. Although, historic preservation efforts are further supported through the City's adopted comprehensive and downtown master plans, this will be the first community-wide historic preservation plan. This plan will establish a community vision for preservation and include supporting goals, policies, and implementation strategies for the joint jurisdiction.

Read the [winning proposal](#) for preparation for the City of Asheville and Buncombe County Historic Preservation Master Plan. Short on time? Take a peek at the [presentation](#).

## Project Timeline

DATE	ACTION	STATUS
By November 22, 2013	Information gathering and background review. Field Survey Coordinate with city staff to prepare for initial project meeting and identify key stakeholders for planning process.	Complete
By December 13, 2013	<a href="#">Conduct open public workshop #1</a> with city staff, Steering Committee, the Historic Preservation Commission, representatives from the Historic Preservation Office (HPO), and other stakeholder groups.	Meeting held November 21, 2013 at Basilica of St. Lawrence.

January 30, 2014	<a href="#">Public Workshop</a> at Cathedral of All Souls Parish Hall, 3 Angle Street in Biltmore Village, Asheville	
By January 31, 2014	<p>Prepare overview of existing conditions &amp; character areas in Asheville and Buncombe County.</p> <p>Research issues and opportunities for the area</p> <p>Present findings to city staff and the HPO.</p> <p>Hold focus group sessions.</p> <p>Conduct open public workshop #2 with city staff, Steering Committee, the Historic Preservation Commission, representatives from the Historic Preservation Office (HPO), and other stakeholder groups.</p>	
By March 21, 2014	<p>Submit strategies and draft recommendations to city staff, Steering Committee, and a representative from the HPO.</p> <p>Submit interim strategic assessment report to city staff and the HPO.</p> <p>Present report in Steering Committee Meeting #3 and open Public Workshop #3.</p>	
By May 31, 2014	<p>Submit draft chapters of preservation plan on rolling basis for city staff, Steering Committee, and the HPO review and comment and develop revised draft preservation plan.</p>	
By June 5, 2014	HPO to return comments on draft preservation plan.	
By June 30, 2011	<p>Meet with city staff, Steering Committee, and HPO to receive comments on draft (Public Workshop #4, joint meeting of Historic Resource Commission and Planning &amp; Zoning Commission). Develop final document based on comments and distribute to city staff, Steering Committee, and HPO. Meet with city staff, city council, Steering Committee and HPO to receive comments on final document (could be done by phone).</p>	
By August 22, 2014	<p>Revision of preservation plan.</p> <p>Submit final copy of completed plan to city and the HPO.</p>	