INTRODUCTION

This document includes the Sacramento Register of Historic & Cultural Resources listings, with updates as of August 2015, which includes the City of Sacramento’s designated Landmarks, Historic Districts, and Contributing Resources.

The City of Sacramento’s historic preservation program began in 1974 with the enactment of the city’s first historic preservation ordinance, and creation of the, then named, Preservation Board in 1975.

The current City Code provisions related to Historic Preservation are generally found in Title 17 of the City Code, the Planning and Development Code, including: the Definitions section; Chapter 17.604; and, the Administrative Matters section.

The City Code provides for the compilation of the ordinances adopted by the City Council to list or delete Landmarks, Historic Districts and Contributing Resources in the Sacramento Register of Historic & Cultural Resources.

CALIFORNIA HISTORICAL BUILDING CODE (CHBC) All properties listed in the Sacramento, California and National Registers should be considered “qualified” historic properties, eligible to use of the California Historical Building Code. Note, some properties within Historic Districts may not be “qualified” as some may be “non-contributing” resources, or are vacant parcels.

CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) All properties listed in the Sacramento, California and National Registers, and those formally determined eligible for listing in the National Register, should be considered “historical resources” for CEQA purposes. Note, some sites/structures/buildings within Historic Districts may not be “historical resources,” as some may be “non-contributing” resources, or are vacant parcels.

Landmark Eligibility Criteria (City Code Section 17.604.210)

A property is eligible for listing in the Sacramento Register if it is fifty years old or older, and meets one or more of the following criteria:

i. It is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of the history of the city, region, state or nation;

ii. It is associated with the lives of persons significant in the city’s past;

iii. It embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period or method of construction;

iv. It represents the work of an important creative individual or master;

v. It possess high artistic values; or

vi. It has yielded, or may be likely to yield, information important in the prehistory or history of the city, the region, the state or the nation.

In addition to meeting at least one of the above criteria, the property must also

A. Have integrity of location, design, setting, materials, workmanship and association. Integrity shall be judged with reference to the particular criterion or criteria specified above.

B. Have significant historic or architectural worth, and its designation as a landmark is reasonable, appropriate and necessary to promote, protect and further the goals and purposes of the City Code’s Historic Preservation Chapters.

Additional Factors to be considered;

A. A structure removed from its original location is eligible if it is significant primarily for its architectural value or it is the most important surviving structure associated with a historic person or event.
B. A birthplace or grave is eligible if it is that of a historical figure of outstanding importance and there is no other appropriate site or structure directly associated with his or her productive life.

C. A reconstructed building is eligible if the reconstruction is historically accurate, if the structure is presented in a dignified manner as part of a restoration master plan, and if no other, original structure survives that has the same association.

D. Properties that are primarily commemorative in intent are eligible if design, age, tradition or symbolic value invest such properties with their own historical significance.

E. Properties achieving significance within the past fifty (50) years are eligible if such properties are of exceptional importance.

**Historic District and Contributing Resources Eligibility Criteria**

**Historic Districts** (refer to City Code Section 17.604.210 (B))

A geographic area nominated as a historic district shall be listed in the Sacramento Register as a historic district if the City Council finds, after holding the hearing(s) required, that all of the requirements set forth below are satisfied:

A. The area is a geographically defined area;
B. The area possess either:
   1. A significant concentration or continuity of buildings unified by
      a) past events; or b) aesthetically by plan or physical development
   2. The area is associated with an event, person, or period significant or important to city history; or
C. The designation of the geographic area as a historic district is reasonable, appropriate and necessary to promote, protect and further the goals and purposes of the City Code and is not inconsistent with other goals and policies of the city.

**Additional Factors** to be considered:

A. A historic district should have integrity of design, setting, materials, workmanship and association, and
B. The collective historic value of the buildings and structures in a historic district taken together may be greater than the historic value of each individual building or structure.

**Contributing Resources to Historic Districts** (City Code Section 17.604.210 (C))

A nominated resource shall be listed in the Sacramento Register as a contributing resource if the City Council finds, after holding the hearing(s) required, that all of the following requirements are satisfied:

A. The nominated resource is within a historic district;
B. The nominated resource either embodies the significant features and characteristics of the historic district or adds to the historical associations, historical architectural qualities or archaeological values identified for the historic district;
C. The nominated resource was present during the period of historical significance of the historic district and relates to the documented historical significance of the historic district;
D. The nominated resource either possesses historic integrity or is capable of yielding important information about the period of historical significance of the historic district; and
E. The nominated resource has important historic or architectural worth, and its designation as a contributing resource is reasonable, appropriate and necessary to promote, protect and further the goals and purposes of the City Code.
HOW TO FIND A PROPERTY’S LISTING

For individual listings, electronically, enter the street address, or Assessor’s Parcel Number, into the search box.
OR, e-mail the address to: planning@cityofsacramento.org
    and ask if the property is a City Landmark or located within
a City-designated Historic District.

In this document, beginning with city-designated Landmarks, properties are listed by the street address, alphabetically and numerically, first with lettered streets, then numbered streets, and then named streets. City-designated Historic Districts are listed numerically and alphabetically by district name with maps showing each districts’ boundaries. For more recently-designated historic districts, properties that are identified as Contributing Resources in that district are listed by street address, alphabetically and numerically. A property may also be listed as a Landmark within a Historic District, though not all Landmarks are within Historic Districts. Individual properties located within Historic Districts designated before 2004 likely will not be listed by address or Assessors Parcel Numbers. Therefore, use the Historic Districts’ maps of boundaries to determine if a property is located within any particular Historic District.

Note:
The addresses of properties listed in this document may not be the only addresses associated with the particular property. If you do not find the address you are looking for, but find one that is very close, it may be possible that the address found may be for the same property. Corner properties may also be a challenge, since the property address may be on one of the streets and not the other, so check both streets’ addresses. Generally, the addresses shown in this document reflect the address associated with the property’s parcel number in County records. This document includes the parcel number of the city-designated Landmarks, at time of listing (some listings, where parcels have been split or merged since listing, may have been updated in this document with the new parcel numbers) and the parcel numbers of Contributing Resources within more recently-designated Historic Districts.

Generally, the address numbering convention in the City of Sacramento is as follows:
• ODD number addresses are found on the NORTH and EAST sides of streets;
• EVEN number addresses are found on the SOUTH and WEST sides of streets.

In the Central City grid, address numbers begin from the Sacramento River, Front Street (or what would be 1st Street), getting higher numerically as one proceeds east along east/west LETTERED streets; and begin from what would be A Street, getting higher alphabetically as one proceeds south along north/south NUMBERED streets.
Addresses increase by increments of one hundred, for each block.