



Is my Property A Local Landmark?

What is a Local Landmark?

A local landmark is a building, structure or site that has been designated by the City of Stoughton as having special historical, cultural or aesthetic value. Local landmarks are significant to the architectural and social history of the city and contribute to the unique character and shared heritage of Stoughton.

How does Local Landmark designation affect what I can and cannot do with my building?

To help safeguard the unique architectural and social history of Stoughton, local landmark designation offers protection from inappropriate changes or destruction. This is accomplished through a process where alterations, reconstructions, demolitions or new construction affecting the exterior of the landmark are approved by the Landmarks Commission in advance. This doesn't mean you can't make repairs or changes to your building, only that those actions must be appropriate to the historic character of the building. For more information, see the information sheet, *What is a Certificate of Appropriateness?*

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The following is a list of all locally designated landmarks in the City of Stoughton as of January 1, 2013.

126 E Washington Street, Naeset House
327 E Washington Street, Johnson House
211 N Forrest Street, High School
201 S Franklin Street, Rinde House
404 S Fifth Street, Roe House
324 S Page Street, Universalist Church
401 W South Street, Ovren House
400 Garfield Street, West School
515 S Fourth Street, Stoughton City Power Plant #1 at the Fourth Street Bridge
1009 Summit Avenue, South School
304 S Fourth Street, Carnegie Public Library
381 E Main Street, Stoughton City Hall & Opera House
100-110 E Main Street, Scheldrup Block
111 E Main Street, Hausmann Block
120-130 E Main Street, Brickson Block
134 E Main Street, Boyce Block
160 E Main Street, Masonic Hall
172 E Main Street, Allen Building

187 E Main Street, G. Chrestoffer Building
195 E Main Street, J. Hausmann Building
255 E Main Street, Badger Theater
515 E Main Street, Turner, Dearborn & Atkinson Tobacco Warehouse
532 E Main Street, Chicago, Minneapolis, St. Paul & Pacific Depot
201-217 W Main Street, Hyland-Olson Block
188 W Main Street, Erickson Block (221 Water Street)
101 S Fifth Street, Brown-Sewell House
111 S Fifth Street, Jens and Ingeborg Cold House
620 S Prairie Street, Martin House
118 N Page Street, Gerard House
148-154 E Main Street

What criteria does the Landmarks Commission use to designate a Local Landmark?

Local Landmarks are designated using the Criteria as defined in the City's Ordinance Section 38-34 (a)- (b). Specifically: (1) Whether it exemplifies or reflects the cultural, political, economic or social history of the city, state or nation. (2) Whether it is identified with important historic or prehistoric persons or events in community, state or national history. (3) Whether it embodies distinguishing characteristics of an architectural type specimen, valuable for a study of a period, style, construction method or indigenous materials or craftsmanship. (4) Whether it is representative of the notable work of a master builder, engineer or architect. (5) Whether it is a unique and irreplaceable asset to its neighborhood and the city. (6) Whether it provides an example of the physical surroundings in which past generations lived.

Can I nominate my building to be a Local Landmark?

Yes. If after review of the designation criteria you believe your building is eligible, you are welcome to join us at a Commission meeting to tell us about your building. The Commission can then assist you in moving forward with the nomination process. You can write the nomination yourself, or ask the Commission for help completing the nomination.

Can my building be listed as both a Local and National landmark?

Yes. Because these are different programs, historic resources are often eligible for both designations. In the City of Stoughton, many local landmarks are also listed in the National Register. For more information about the National Register of Historic Places see the information sheet, *What is the National Register of Historic Places?*

Who can I contact with questions?

Contact the City of Stoughton Planning Department with any questions you may have. The Landmarks Commission works closely with Planning Staff to make sure your questions are answered.
Department of Planning & Development, 381 East Main Street, Stoughton, WI 53589
Mike Stacey, Zoning Administrator (608) 646-0421.