



Historic Preservation

There are many financial and social benefits to owning a historic home. Historic preservation recognizes the importance of a continuing relationship between a building's past and the active community it resides in. The culture and personality of a community can be enriched through education, inspiration and efforts to preserve historic structures.

The City of Bloomington has over 100 properties with local historic designation. The City has six locally recognized historic neighborhoods, four of which are nationally recognized districts. The City offers two grant programs to assist with maintenance and rehabilitation of locally recognized historic properties. Grants are determined by the Historic Preservation Commission, comprised of seven community members seeking to protect the City's architectural and historic environment. Every year, the City allocates \$100,000 to the Harriet Fuller Rust Grant, created to encourage rehabilitation of the City's Downtown Historic District and \$25,000 to the Eugene D. Funk Grant, designed to supplement the costs of exterior repairs for property owners in other historic districts throughout the City.

To qualify for the Eugene D. Funk Grant a property must have the City's S-4, local historic designation. The process of acquiring this title can take approximately three months and must be reviewed by three different commissions: The Historic Preservation Commission, Planning Commission and City Council. This packet contains an application for the Historic Preservation Commission. A petition for the rezoning will also need to be submitted to the City Clerk following the Commission's decision. The cost of application is \$125.00 plus the cost of a newspaper announcement.

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Historic Preservation S-4 Designation –Section 44.11-2

1. Property Information

Parcel Identification Number _____ Size (Acreage) _____

Address _____

Current Zoning _____

Current Use _____

2. Applicant Information

Full Name _____

Address _____ City, State, ZIP _____

Phone _____ Email _____

3. Owner Information (Check if same as Applicant)

Full Name _____

Address _____ City, State, ZIP _____

Phone _____ Email _____

4. Attorney/Consultant Information (if applicable)

Full Name _____

Company _____

Address _____ City, State, ZIP _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Please include photographs and any other supporting documents referencing the historic value of the subject property.

Applicant Signature

I certify that I have reviewed the relevant sections of the Bloomington Zoning Code, that the information above is true, and that I have provided all required documentation listed in the Application Checklist.

Signature

Date

Printed Name

Historic Name of Building (if known) _____ Year Built _____

Architectural Style _____

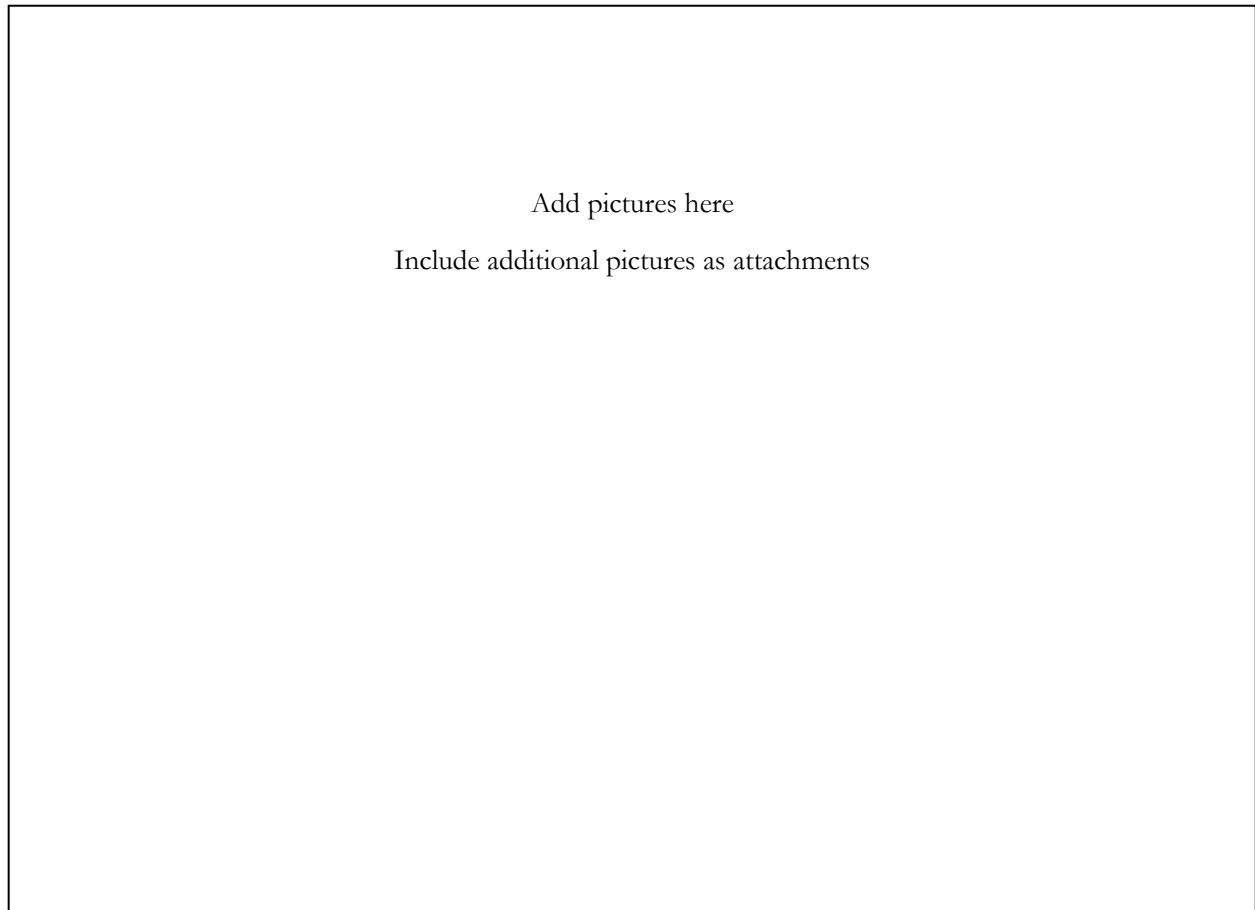
Architect (if known) _____

Is this property in a Historic District? Yes No. Which one? _____

Criteria for Consideration of Nomination. The Preservation Commission shall, upon such investigation as it deems necessary, make a determination as to whether a nominated property, structure, or area meets one (1) or more of the following criteria, please explain if one (1) or more of the following criteria are met:

1. Its character, interest, or value as part of the development, heritage, or cultural characteristics of the City, County of McLean, State of Illinois or the United States of America (the Nation);
2. Its location as a site of a significant local, county, state, or national event;
3. Its identification with a person or persons who significantly contributed to the development of the City, County of McLean, State of Illinois, or the Nation;
4. Its embodiment of distinguishing characteristics of an architectural style valuable for the study of a period, type, method of construction, or use of indigenous materials;
5. Its identification as the work of a master builder, designer, architect, or landscape architect whose individual work has influenced the development of the City, County of McLean, State of Illinois or the Nation;
6. Its embodiment of elements of design, detailing, materials, or craftsmanship that render it architecturally significant;
7. Its embodiment of design elements that make it structurally or architecturally innovative;
8. Its unique location or singular physical characteristics that make it an established or familiar visual feature;
9. Its character as a particularly fine or unique example of a utilitarian structure, including, but not limited to farmhouses, gas stations, or other commercial structures, with a high level of integrity or architectural significance; and/or
10. Its suitability for preservation or restoration.

Any structure, property, or area that meets one (1) or more of the above criteria shall also have sufficient integrity of location, design, materials, and workmanship to make it worthy of preservation or restoration. (Ordinance No. 2006-137)



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