



City of Tigard

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Historic Overlay FAQ

How do I get my property designated in the historic overlay district?

Tigard Planning Commission grants approval of a historic overlay district designation when the Historic Sites and Districts Committee determines that any of the following have been met (*excerpt from TMC 18.740.040.A*):

- a. The proposed district or landmark would serve the purpose of the historic overlay district;*
- b. The site or area proposed for the designation reflects the broad cultural or natural history of the community, state or nation;*
- c. The site or area is identified with historic personages, or with important events in national, state or local history;*
- d. The site or area proposed for the designation embodies the distinguishing characteristics of an architectural specimen inherently valuable for a study of a period, style or method of construction; or*
- e. The proposed site or area is a notable work of a master builder, designer or architect.*

Please be aware that the age of a specific building is not sufficient in itself to warrant a historic overlay designation.

What do I do next?

1. Talk to a Planner! Call 503-718-2421 or come to the Tigard Permit Center located at 13125 SW Hall Boulevard, Tigard (no appointment necessary).
2. Want to start the process? Fill out a [pre-application conference request](#) form and submit your pre-application materials and fee at the permit center. At time of submittal, the planner will schedule your pre-application conference.
3. At the pre-application conference, you will receive a packet containing all the necessary information to start the application process.