

CHAPTER 3

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
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SECTION:

2-3-1: Purpose and Intent

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2-3-1: **PURPOSE AND INTENT:** It is the purpose and intent of this ordinance to:

- A. Recognize that the historical heritage of Providence City is among its most valued and important assets.
- B. Provide for the identification, preservation, protection, and enhancement of the historic, cultural, and prehistoric areas, sites, properties, and resources within the City.

2-3-2: **HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION:** The Providence City Historic Preservation Commission is hereby established with the following provisions:

- A. The Commission shall consist of at least five (5) members, with a demonstrated interest, competence or knowledge of historic preservation to be appointed for terms not less than two (2) years each by the City Council.
- B. To the extent available in the community, two (2) commission members shall be professionals from the disciplines of history, architecture, architectural history, archeology, planning, urban planning, American studies, American civilization, cultural geography, or cultural anthropology.
- C. The Commission will meet at least twice a year and conduct business in accordance with the Open Public Meeting Laws of Utah. This includes public notification of meeting place, time and agenda items.
- D. Written minutes of each commission meeting will be prepared and made available for public inspection.

2-3-3: COMMISSION DUTIES AND POWERS:

- A. Survey and Inventory Community Historic Resources: The Historic Preservation Commission shall conduct or cause to be conducted a survey of the historic, architectural, and archeological resources within the community.
- B. Review Proposed Nominations to the National Register of Historic Places: The Historic Preservation Commission considers a National Register nomination which is normally evaluated by professionals in a specific discipline and that discipline is not represented on the Commission, the Commission will seek expertise in this area before rendering its decision.
- C. Provide Advice and Information.
 - 1. The Historic Preservation Commission shall act in an advisory role to other officials and departments of local government regarding the identification and protection of local historic and archeological resources.
 - 2. The Historic Preservation Commission shall work toward the continuing education of citizens regarding historic preservation and the community's history.
- D. Enforcement of State Historic Preservation Laws. The Commission shall support the enforcement of all state laws relating to historic preservation. These include, but are not limited to: Section 11-18-2 Utah Code Annotated, 1953 as amended, regarding notification of the State Historic Preservation Office of any known proposed action which will destroy or affect a site, building, or object owned by the State of Utah and included on or eligible for the State or National Registers.
- E. Enforcement of Local Historic Preservation Laws. In the event of the enactment of any historic preservation laws by the City, the Commission shall support the enforcement of such local historic preservation laws.
- F. Reviews: The Commission shall review all applications for and make recommendations regarding alterations, change of use, or new constructions involving historic sites and properties, subject to the following:
 - 1. Such review and recommendations shall be binding only upon buildings and properties which are listed on a locally designated site's register; and
 - 2. Any reviews and recommendations must be compatible with the current United States Secretary of the Interiors Standards for Rehabilitation Guidelines for Rehabilitating Historic Buildings.
- G. Powers: The Commission shall have those powers necessary and reasonable for the carrying out of its duties and as specified in the Utah Historic District Act.