

40.250.030 Historic Preservation Code Update

Presentation to Planning Commission June 7, 2018



American Legion Hall, CCHR



Historic Preservation Program

- Identify, evaluate, and protect historic and prehistoric resources
- Preserve and rehabilitate eligible historic and/or cultural resources for future generations.
- Combined City/County Historic Preservation Commission
- Interlocal Agreement
- Certified Local Government



Covington House, CCHR, NRHP



Historic registers

- National Register of Historic Places (NRHP), Washington Heritage Register (WHR), and Clark County Heritage Register (CCHR)
- National & State registers are ceremonial and offer no protection against alteration or demolition
- Clark County Heritage Register, maintained by Historic Preservation Commission does offer protection with Certificate of Appropriateness process



Clark County Courthouse, NRHP, WHR



Wisteria Court Apartments, CCHR



Reason for updates

- Last update in 2009 with minor changes
- Recent cases highlighted need for revisions
- Goal: to update, streamline and provide clearer directions for applicants, staff and commission members



[Charles and Frances Zener House](#), CCHR



Summary of Title 40.250.030 Updates

- Goal: Update and streamline process
 - Code reference (CCC, RCW and WAC)
 - Naming convention (“County Council”, review processes names, etc.)
 - Definitions (adding or relocating)
 - Fixing inconsistencies and clarifying requirements with existing processes (nominations, CoAs, appeals, amending, delisting)
 - Code language versus rules and procedures information
 - Editorial changes (clarifying “actor”, capitalization, breaking up large paragraphs of text, etc.)



Venersborg School, NRHP, WHR



Definitions

- Relocated definitions from code text to “Definitions”
- Added definitions that are unique to historic program processes
 - “Contributing/Non-contributing”
 - “District”
 - “Party of Record”
 - “Period of Significance”
 - “Property/Properties”



[U.S. National Bank Building](#), NRHP



Powers and duties/Rules

- Include or clarify HPC duties (reviewing nominations, proposed changes and OPMA reference)
- Clarifying rules of vote (majority vote/eligibility)



County Heritage Register

- Added language to clarify the nomination process, submittal requirements and documentation of listing
- Added language on staff's responsibility for hearing notice
- Specified language on process for amending an existing designation
- Clarified language on removal from register



[Washington State School for the Blind](#), NRHP



Certificate of Appropriateness procedure

- Changed naming convention of reviews
- Added clarifying information on appeal process for staff review
- Added language on staff's responsibility for hearing notice
- Added language regarding emergency repairs/demolitions due to public safety



[Carnegie Library](#), NRHP, CCHR



Appeals

- Added a separate “Appeals” section to cover HPC’s decisions on nominations and Certificate of Appropriateness applications



[Albert and Letha Green House](#), NRHP, CCHR



Errata Sheet

- B. Applicability:

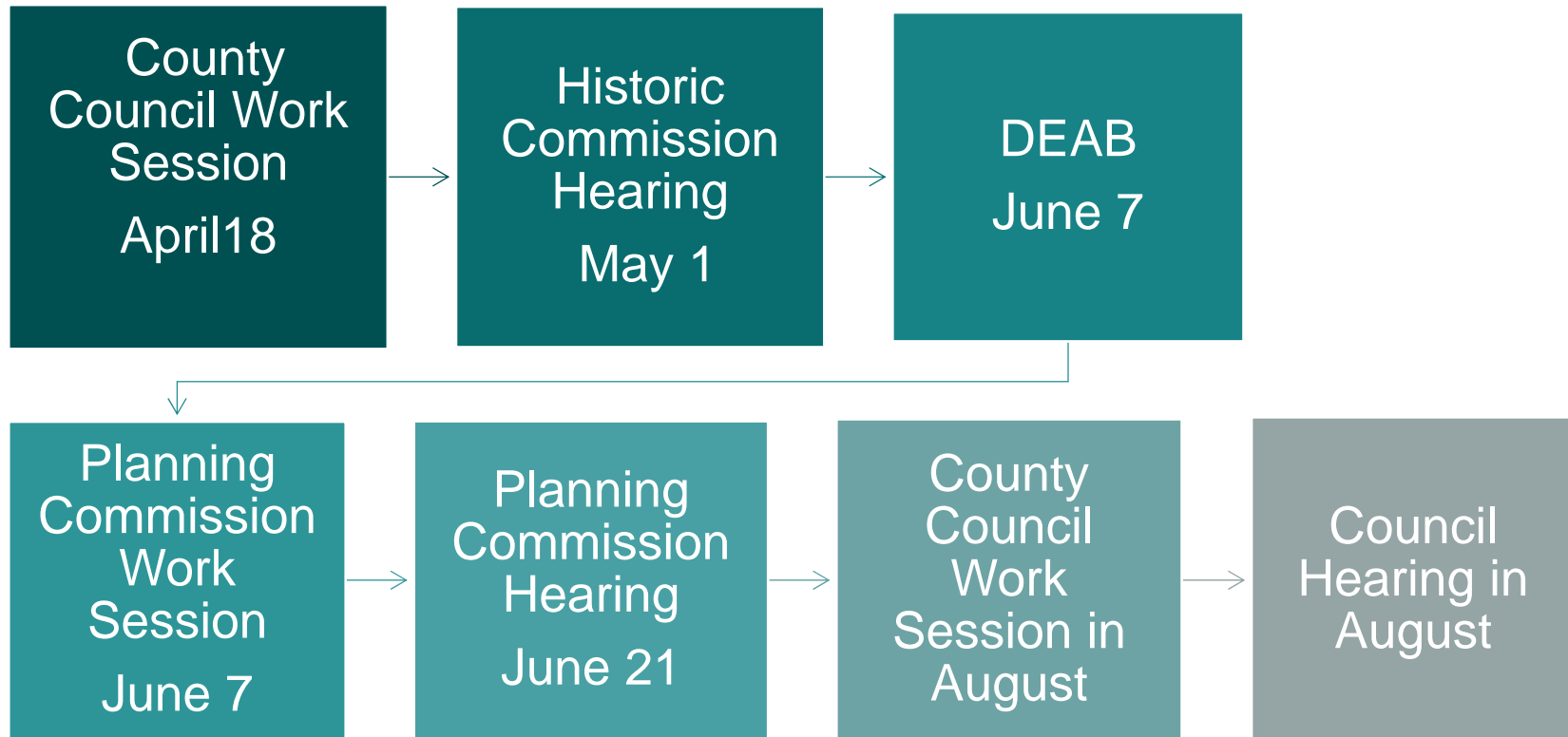
The HPC chose to leave the language highlighted in yellow. Legal recommendation is to remove it due to it being overly broad and not defined.

- C. Definitions.

The definition for “Property or Properties” inadvertently left out “National Register”, “Washington Heritage Register” and the “Cultural Resources Inventory” to be included along with the “Clark County Heritage Register”.



Public process





Burdoin House, CCHR

Comments and Questions

