

City of Winter Garden Public Workshops Downtown Architectural Overlay Ordinance

June 22, 2009 – Commercial Workshop June 30, 2009 – Residential Workshop



Purpose of Workshop

- Review Historic Building Survey (1994)
- Architectural Review and Historic Preservation Board
- Goals for Preservation and Maintenance of Structures
- Review Proposed Policies for Architectural Review & Historic Preservation
 - Commercial
 - Residential
- Receive Public Input and Comments
- Next Steps



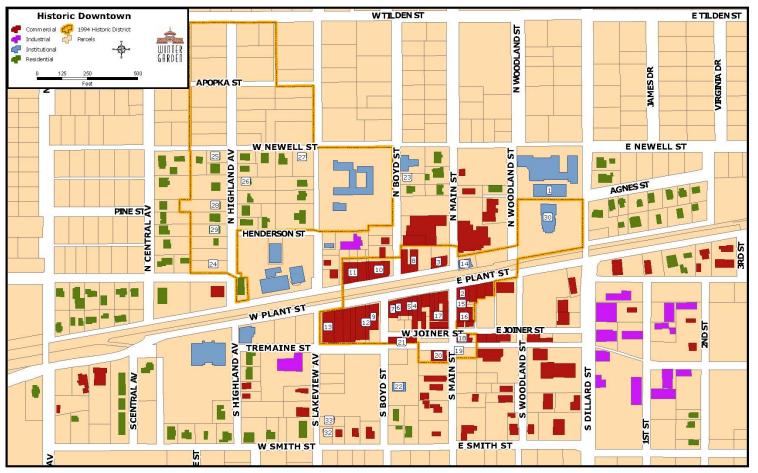
Review Historic Building Survey



Historic Survey of the Downtown Area

- Both Residential and Commercial included
- City Commission submitted Florida Site File







Recommendations from Report

- Create Architectural Overlay District/Historic Preservation Ordinance
- Publications and Education of Winter Garden
- Review Rehabilitation Tax Credits
- Review State Grant Programs
- Apply for State Programs for Studies and Rehabilitation of Historic Structures



Creation of Architectural Review and Historic Preservation Board

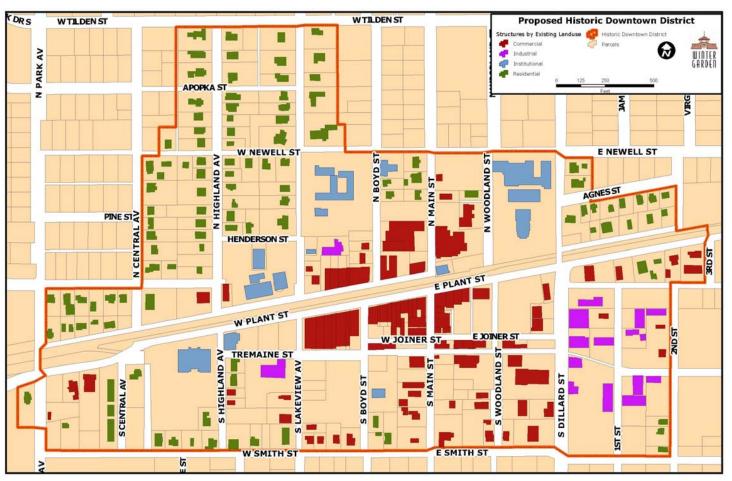
- Created by City Commission (Ordinance 08-29), in June 2008
- Purpose (Summary)
 - Create and update cultural resources of the City
 - Review and recommend structures that are historically or architecturally significant
 - Develop architectural standards by Ordinance
 - Develop policies and procedures for administering approved ordinances of the architectural and historical districts.



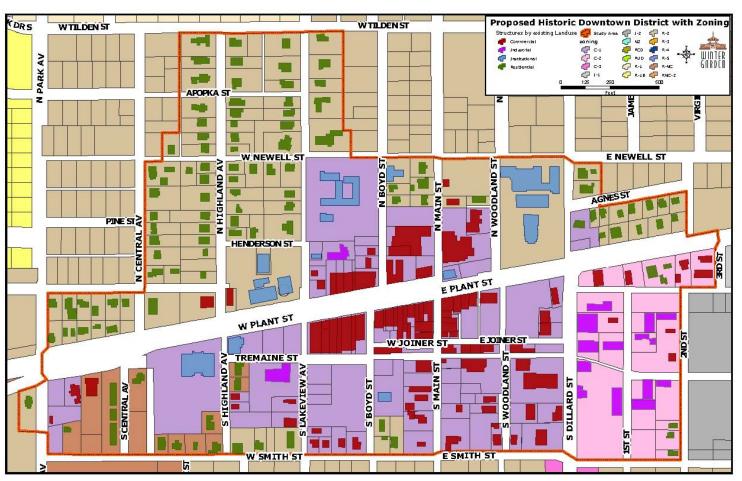
Activities

- Staff and ARHPB have met monthly since August 2008
- Have reviewed land uses and structures in downtown area
- Established study boundary
- Reviewed land uses
- Reviewed other community historic ordinances
 - Orlando
 - Sanford
 - Winter Park
 - Eustis
 - Savannah, Georgia
 - Littleton, Colorado











Goals for Historic Preservation

- Guide architecture designs for new development/redevelopment in Downtown Winter Garden
- Standards to define historic style for structures to;
 - Prevent inappropriate and incompatible buildings in Downtown Historic Zone
- Preserve and Maintain Historic Structures



Review Proposed Policies for Architectural Review in Proposed Historic District Overlay



Ordinance Content

- Interior changes to building are exempt from Ordinance
- Exterior maintenance is exempt from ordinance
- Ordinance applies to new construction
- Ordinance applies to extensive renovations that are more than maintenance



Board responsibilities

- Create application and requirements
- Review applications
- Review of external building materials
- Review of any demolition of structures with justification
- Review of architectural elevations
- Make recommendations to the City Commission



Architectural Styles

- More defined for residential than commercial
- Residential
 - Frame Vernacular
 - Bungalow Style
 - Colonial Revival
 - Mediterranean Revival Style
 - Classic Revival Style

- Gothic Revival Style
- Minimal Traditional
- Masonry Vernacular
- Prairie Style
- Tudor Revival Style

- Commercial
 - Masonry Vernacular
 - Mercantile Vernacular



Downtown Architectural Standards & Guideline Manual

- Applies to both residential and commercial properties
- 5 Sections to manual
 - Overview
 - Residential Architectural Styles within the District
 - Commercial Architectural Styles within the District
 - Residential Standards & Guidelines
 - Commercial Standards & Guidelines



Residential Standards & Guidelines

Scope of Guidelines

- Additions to homes
- Garages and accessory structures
- Colors Historic Colors OK, no fluorescent colors

- Porches and balconies
- Fences and walls
- Roof materials



Commercial Standards & Guidelines

Scope of Guidelines

- Storefront facades
- Roofs
- Windows / Doors
- Building additions
- Balconies

- Awnings / Canopies
- Signs
- Utility and refuse area
- Fences and garden walls



Maintenance and Exemptions

Examples

- Installation of new doors compatible with the original style
- Roof replacement
- Window replacement compatible with the original style
- Repair of wood siding
- Replacement of porch columns matching original in style, size and material
- Replacement of awnings (either same color or comply with guidelines)



Future Items

- Public education of historic preservation
- State programs and funding for rehabilitation
- Role of Board to represent community



Next Steps

- Public workshop comments and questions
- Make changes to Ordinance and Architectural Guidelines
- Final Board recommendation
- City Commission Workshop
- City Commission 1st and 2nd readings of the Ordinance
- Establish staff processes and procedures for architectural review
- Board begins to meet as a quasi-judicial volunteer board