

A scenic view of a residential neighborhood. In the foreground, there is a large bush of orange and yellow flowers. A paved path leads through a green lawn towards a stone wall with a gate. In the background, there are several houses with gabled roofs and a large, leafy tree. The sky is blue with scattered white clouds.

**Rochelle Heights Neighborhood Association
Meeting Follow Up
September 20, 2023**

Outline

The background image is a faded photograph of a large, multi-story house with a prominent stone driveway and a large, leafy tree in the foreground. The house has a gabled roof and a porch. The driveway is made of stone and has a decorative archway. The tree is very large and dense with green leaves. The overall scene is a well-maintained, historic-looking property.

- Topics for Follow-up Raised by RHA
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Topics for Follow-up Raised by Rochelle Heights Association

- Update the resource and reference materials to reflect updated standards and topics. E.g., solar panels, windows, etc.
- Address gaps in board member training to provide a standards based approach to providing decisions and clarify board member roles/required experience
- Define and implement approaches to ensure consistency of decisions.

Historic Preservation Action Plan

- Develop design guidelines
- Revise local code in conformance with Certified Local Government model code
- Increase awareness of link between historic preservation and economic development
- Develop educational outreach about local historic preservation practices
- Update website to include funding opportunities
- Seek funding opportunities. Leverage CLG status.
 - Historic Preservation Fund
 - Main Street Program
- Offer fee waivers

City Actions - Next Steps

Implement Certified Local Government Model Code Amendments

- Codify training and attendance requirements
- Expedite certain in-kind, maintenance, repair work without a public hearing
- Update certificate of appropriateness criteria
- Require public notice signage to be posted on property – with hearing dates updated
- Codify CoA extension provisions
- Add definitions
- Present to Council (October) and conduct public hearing (November)

City Actions - Next Steps

Historical and Landmarks Review Board

- SHPO board training - October
- Create periodic RHA leadership meetings with HLRB leadership
- Add alternate members to mitigate quorum issues
- Provide accessible, user-friendly guide to application process
- ID materials to assist HLRB with review to avoiding delays
- Eliminate fee for hearing notice list – Eliminated September

City Actions – Next Steps

Bolster Website Content & Provide Useful Resources

- Create brief, accessible documents for pressing issues currently including:
 - Solar panels
 - Windows
 - Siding
- ID funding opportunities - Leverage CLG status.
 - Historic Preservation Fund
 - Main Street Program
- Add Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – September
- Add Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation & Illustrated Guidelines on Sustainability for Rehabilitating Historic Buildings - September

Looking Ahead



- Prepare detailed, comprehensive design guidelines
- Continue board training
- Continue dialogue between RHA, HLRB and City staff
- Review and monitor resource and reference materials to update and amend as necessary

Implementation Summary

- City code amendments (training, standards, consistency etc.)
 - Present to Council: October/Ongoing
- Board member training: SHPO training October/Ongoing
- RHA/HLRB Meetings: TBD
- Online resources & reference materials: Q4 2023/Ongoing
- Notification list fee: Eliminated September

The background image is a faded photograph of a large, multi-story house with a prominent stone pillar and a large tree in the foreground. The house has a gabled roof and several windows. The stone pillar is a central feature, and the tree is large and leafy. The overall scene is a well-maintained property.

Discussion