

## MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor and Council

From: Gregory I. Guernsey, AICP, Director

Planning and Zoning Department

Date: March 21, 2018

Subject: Historic resource surveys and scan proposed for HOT funding

Please find the additional information requested at the Tuesday March 20 Council Work Session related to the FY 2017-2018 Historic Preservation Fund Operating Budget.

Citywide Historic Building Scan (Phase 1). The historic building scan is designed to quickly collect key data about historic and architectural character across a large area, enabling the identification of potential landmarks and historic districts. Phase 1 is proposed to focus on areas near convention locations and tourist attractions around the city, based on Visit Austin's *Things to Do* list (<a href="https://www.austintexas.org/things-to-do">https://www.austintexas.org/things-to-do</a>). Surveying within a half-mile of tourist and lodging sites will include 43% of Austin's 45+ year-old properties (see Attachment A for map). Outcomes include strategic recommendations for where more detailed—and more expensive—historic building surveys should be focused, with prioritization based on multiple factors including the potential for tourism.

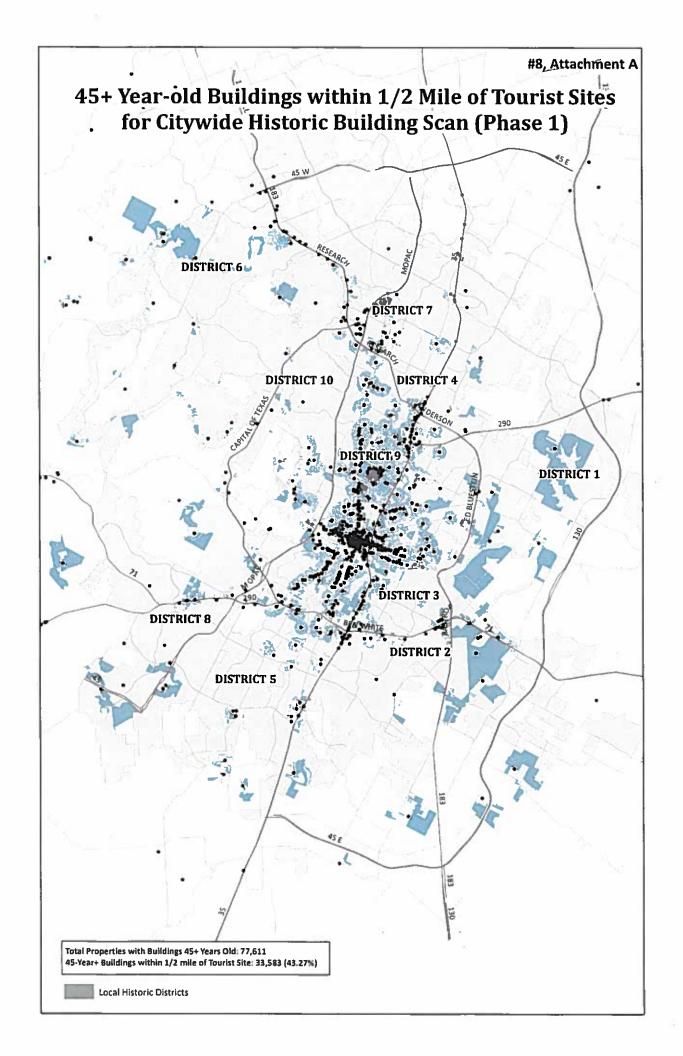
Phase 2 of the scan will include areas not eligible for survey with HOT funds due to distance from existing tourist and lodging sites. It has been recommended for funding by the Historic Landmark Commission's FY2019 Budget Resolution Recommendation.

**Detailed Historic Building Survey (North Central Austin).** The historic building survey will collect detailed property information, conduct historic research, and yield in-depth recommendations for individual historic landmarks and specific local historic districts. North Central Austin includes two areas recommended as top survey priorities by the East Austin Historic Resource Survey based on building age and development pressures. It is also in close proximity to existing tourist sites, such as the University of Texas, thereby qualifying for HOT funds. See Attachments B1 and B2 for maps of the survey areas.

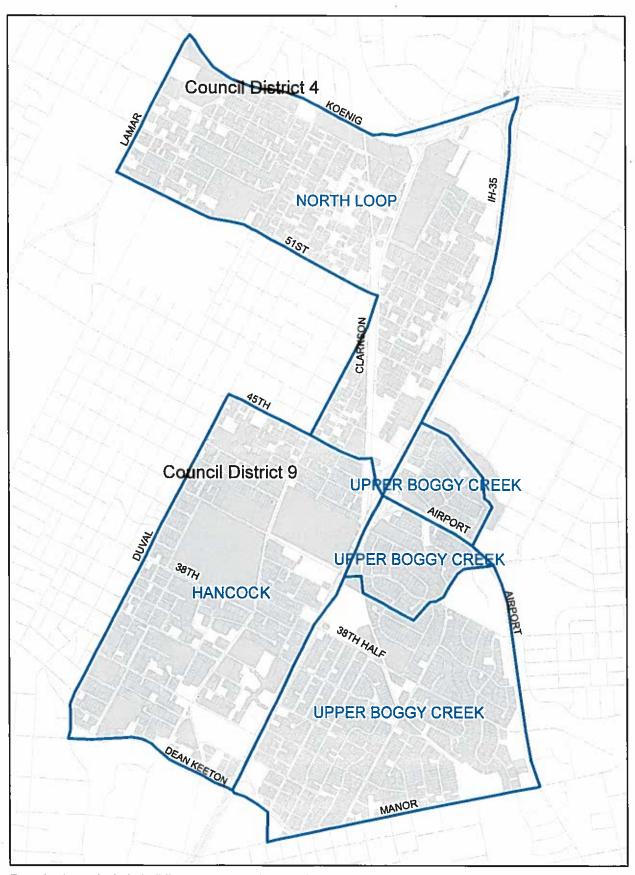
Attachment C shows detailed historic building surveys to date.

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cc: Spencer Cronk, City Manager
Joe Pantalion, Interim Assistant City Manager

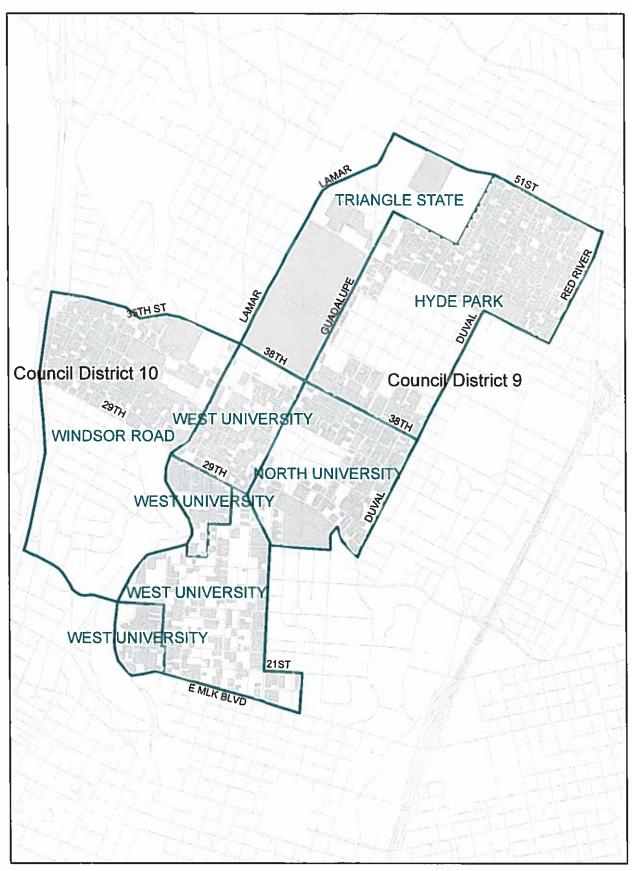


#8, Attachment B1
North Loop-Hancock-Upper Boggy Creek Survey Area



Parcels shown include buildings constructed in or prior to 1973. Historic Preservation Office, Planning and Zoning Department, March 2018

#8, Attachment B2
University-Windsor-Hyde Park Survey Area



Parcels shown include buildings constructed in or prior to 1973, excluding those within local historic districts. Historic Preservation Office, Planning and Zoning Department, March 2018

