

HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE

Program Goal

The Historic Preservation Office works to support the protection, preservation and designation of historic resources throughout the city. The office also works with other city departments to encourage projects that are sensitive to historic building and district character.

Budget Allowance Explanation

The Historic Preservation Office 2009-10 operating budget allowance of \$630,000 is \$96,000 or 18.0 percent more than 2008-09 estimated expenditures. The increase is due to budget reductions being disproportionately greater in 2008-09, and a one-time increase in charges to grant-funded activity in 2008-09. Partially offsetting the increase are budget reductions that suspend database development to automate design review services and a planner II position overseeing the historic preservation bond program. In addition, reductions will reduce resources for historic neighborhood signs, printing, office supplies, and legal and consultant services for certificate of appropriateness hearings and federally funded projects. These reductions will increase the workload among three remaining planners and increase lead time for review.

Historic Preservation Office Major Performance Measures and Service Levels

The following significant performance measures and service trends will be achieved with the 2009-10 budget allowance:

	2007-08	2008-09*	2009-10
Number of design reviews performed on building permits in historic districts**	414	358	362
Number of city grants awarded for historic rehabilitation projects	18	23	18
Private dollars leveraged for every dollar of city historic rehabilitation grant funds expended***	\$8.11	\$4.00	\$4.00
Number of regulatory compliance reviews for federally funded city capital projects	844	905	914

*Based on 10 months actual experience.

**This projection includes the cumulative number of Certificates of Appropriateness, Certificates of No Effect, Demolition Reviews and Demolition Appeal Hearings.

***2007-08 actuals represent private dollars leveraged for the Hanny's Building.

Expenditure and Position Summary

	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10
Operating Expense	\$676,000	\$534,000	\$630,000
Total Positions	7.0	6.0	6.0
Source of Funds:			
General	\$676,000	\$534,000	\$630,000