

Dear Property Owner,

The City of Mackinac Island is pleased to announce the designation of the East End Mission Historic District. Preservation of the district and the properties within its boundaries provides for local recognition and protection of the City of Mackinac Island's unique character.

In accordance with the provisions of The City of Mackinac Island's Historic District Ordinance as adopted by the Mayor and Council on October 21, 2009, this letter serves as notification that your property or properties lie within the boundaries of the designated East End Mission District. All owners of historic and/or non-historic properties within the proposed district are being notified.

The Mayor and Council designated the East End Mission District following a report and a formal recommendation by the Historic District Commission Study Committee. The November 2, 2023 hearing provided an opportunity for public comment and discussion. The designation ordinance was adopted on April 17, 2024. The boundaries of the district are available on the City of Mackinac Island website. {A district map is enclosed for your convenience.}

Property owners or occupants within a historic district must obtain a Certificate of Appropriateness (COA) from the Historic District Commission for any work project involving an exterior change to the appearance of any property. This includes new construction, demolition, removal of large trees, erecting a fence, or any exterior repairs. A COA is not required for interior changes to a building. Work requiring a COA may also require a separate Zoning and/or building permit.

Applications for a COA are available at City Hall, 2nd floor, or online at www.cityofmi.org. The Historic District Commission reviews applications on a monthly basis. You may contact the Historic District Commission should you have any questions regarding design review of your project.

Thank you again for maintaining the City of Mackinac Island's unique character and preserving the place we call home.

Sincerely,

Lee Finkel, Chair