

Selected Policies for Historic Designation and Appeal Process in Texas and similar sized cities, 2018

NOTE: This table is for information purposes only and is not guaranteed to be accurate.

CITIES	DESIGNATION/INITIATION	WHO CAN INITIATE?	DISTRICT REQUIREMENTS	NUMBER/PERCENTAGE OF BOARD/COMMISSIONS THAT CAN INITIATE	NUMBER OF DAYS OWNER MUST BE NOTIFIED IF BODY INITIATED	APPEALS	WHO CAN APPEAL?	APPEAL BODY	NUMBER OF DAYS FOR APPEAL TO BE FILED	NUMBER OF DAYS FOR APPEAL TO BE HEARD	Notes
Dallas		Owner, Landmark Commission, City Plan Commission, City Council	100% if submitted by neighborhood or majority if authorized by Commission, CPC, or Council.	Majority	10		Property owner	City Council	10	180	
Ft. Worth		City manager, City council, Historic Commission, owner or owners representative.	51% owner consent.	Majority	10		Property owner	City Council (filed with City Secretary's Office)	15	Next applicable Council meeting	
Houston		Requests for designation are by property owner or HAHC. "Protected Landmark" designation can only be requested by property owner	10% owner consent to initiate, then 67% to set final district boundaries.	Majority	10 (after initiated)		Property owner 'Certificate of Non-designation'	HAHC	180	35 but not more than 70	
Austin		Owner or an agent of the owner can initiate, or Commission		2/3 of Commission	at least 11 Days prior to public hearing		Property owner	City Council	14	A public hearing shall be scheduled for the first available meeting for which notice of the hearing can be timely provided	
San Antonio		Only property owner, 3rd parties can file for review but must have owner's consent - if no consent, review is scheduled with Commission. If determined it should move forward, review is scheduled with City Council and can proceed without owner's consent.	51% owner consent to pass, must have at least 30% at the time of first public hearing	N/A	10 Days		Property owner	Board of Adjustment	30	60 Days (up to 3 extensions not more than 30 days each)	
Atlanta, GA		Owners, city council (with nomination to the director)	Owners of 10 properties or 10%, whichever is less	Majority	At least 15 days, but not more than 45 days prior to public hearing		Property owner	Superior Court of Fulton County	30	30 Days	
Denver, CO		Initiated by anyone (non-owners require at least 3 persons to sign off on the application who are either residents or owners of property, or business owners within the city/county of Denver)		N/A	At least 25 days, no more than 40 days prior to public hearing		Property owner	District Court	28	35 Days	
Los Angeles, CA		Anyone can nominate		Majority	N/A		Property owner	Planning Commission	15 (Decisions can only be appealed once)	75 Days	