

## ***Local Historic District Benefits***

- Protects investments of owners and residents;
- Encourages better quality design;
- Helps the environment by recycling old buildings;
- Provide educational benefits;
- Serves as a positive economic impact for tourism;
- Enhances business recruitment potential;
- Offers social and psychological benefits.

These Design Guidelines fulfill the Board of Architectural Review's desire to allow the district to visibly grow, change, and improve while preserving Horse Cave's quality of life.

## ***Certificate of Appropriateness Application***



**BEFORE YOU BEGIN WORK  
OR MAKE CHANGES TO THE  
BUILDING EXTERIOR**

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**What kind of projects require a  
Certificate of Appropriateness  
Application?**

### **Exterior Building Renovation**

- **Signage**
- **Paint Colors**
- **Exterior Lighting**
- **Awnings**
- **New Construction**
- **Building Demolition**
- **Building Relocation**

## ***Horse Cave Local Historic District Design Guidelines***



*Main Street*

## ***BOARD OF ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW***

*City of Horse Cave*

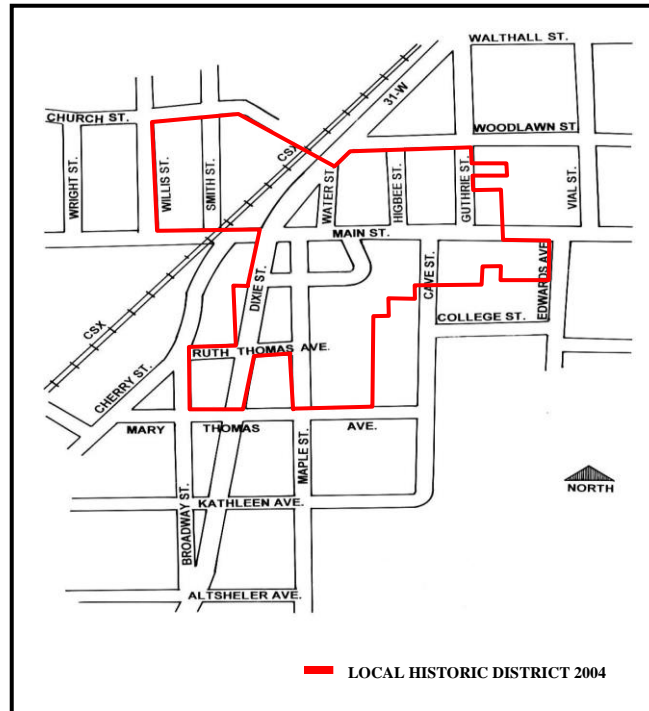
## Background

The Horse Cave Local Historic District Design Guidelines are a continuation of preservation-related activities that began in 1977 with a county-wide survey that was conducted by the Kentucky Heritage Council. Hart County was re-surveyed between 1994 and 1995 and at that time the City of Horse Cave was recommended to be listed in the National Register of Historic Places. On August 2, 2001, the Horse Cave Historic District was listed in the National Register of Historic Places funded in part by the Kentucky Heritage Council.

On April 9, 2001, the City of Horse Cave adopted the Horse Cave Historic Preservation Ordinance # 2000-008 that established a Board of Architectural Review and authorized the designation and protection of historic preservation districts and individual landmarks.

Five interested individuals were appointed by the Mayor to serve on the Horse Cave Board of Architectural Review. This Board is responsible for reviewing Certificates of Appropriateness applications for projects for projects within the local historic as well as the Renaissance Kentucky Area, The Design Guidelines, prepared over a two year period with the Board of Architectural Review and the general public, were adopted by the Horse Cave City Council in 2004.

## Local Historic District Map



Water Street

## Signage

**Factors for creating good signs that improve business and make you money**

- Promotes your business
- Delivers a message
- Captures attention
- Informs, alerts, and/or directs customers
- Limits text and images to effectively communicate your message
- Is an appropriate size
- Is aesthetically pleasing
- Is easily read from a distance
- Is clearly seen at night and from different angles
- Is not offensive to racial, religious, ethnic, or handicapped
- Includes your company name, address, phone number and/or logo
- Meets community standards
- Follows local restrictions
- Avoids violent or sexually explicit images