

Local Historic District Benefits

- Promotes Investment of owners and residents;
- Encourage 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

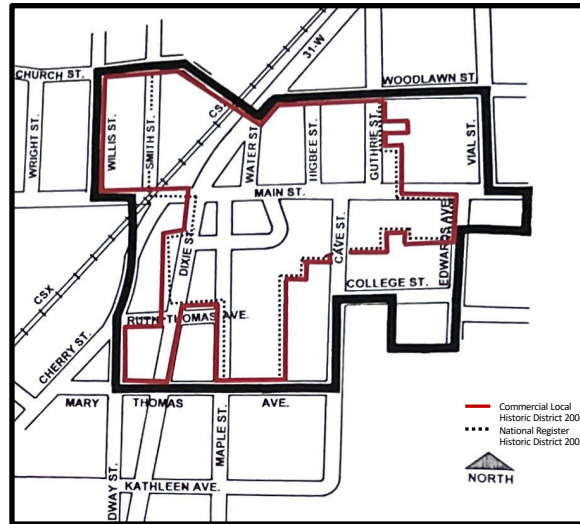
Background

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 resurveyed between 1994-1995 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 Horse Cave Historic Preservation Ordinance # 2000-008 that established a Board of Architectural Review and authorized the designation and protection of historic 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 within the local historic district. 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 affectively 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