

## Historic Preservation

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Sean

I'm certain you are seeing a lot on this, so apologies in advance. I'm writing to encourage the planning board to give significant consideration to historic preservation as it works to plan for the city. We just don't get two chances when a historic building is in the line. So much of what makes Portland a destination, is this careful, careful consideration.

Thanks,  
Eric Dexter

**The City's proposal does not begin the historic designation process. We need you to ask the planning board to:**

- Recommend that the Planning Department begin the historic designation process.

**The Planning Board Proposal still encourages demolitions by potentially allowing new buildings to be larger than their neighbors. We need you to urge the planning board to:**

- Discourage demolitions by amending the dimensional standards so that the scale and mass of a project's context is taken into account when determining the maximum dimensions allowed.

**The City's proposal institutes a new process for alternative design review that includes approval by the Historic Preservation Board. We need you to tell the Planning Board that:**

- This is a great idea! I support the alternative design review option with reviews conducted by the Historic Preservation Board.

**The City's demolition delay proposal allows for approval without public comment. We need you to tell the planning board that you:**

- Support an 18 month demolition delay that includes public notice and comment.

**The City's proposal allows for the expansion of non-conforming buildings through-out the city, not just on Munjoy Hill. We need you to ask the planning board to:**

- Remove language on non-conforming building extensions that would apply city-wide from the discussion of R-6 zoning on Munjoy Hill to allow time for substantive review and comment by the public in other areas of the city.