

SEBRING HISTORIC PRESERVATION LOCAL REGISTER

What is the Local Register of Historic Places?

The Local Register of Historic Places is the official list of properties recognized by the City of Sebring as worthy of preservation. The properties are deemed worthy because they significantly represent Sebring history, architecture, archaeology, engineering or culture. The Historic Preservation Commission sponsors and administers the Local Register program. Property listed on the National Register of Historic Places are automatically placed on the Local Register.

Historic properties include more than just buildings. Structures, sites, objects and districts are also eligible for listing. To be listed on the Local Register, a property must meet the following criteria:

1. Be at least 50 years old
2. Retain its basic historic and architectural integrity
3. Meet one of these requirements:
 - A. Be significantly associated with broad patterns of Sebring history.
 - B. Be associated with the lives of people significant in Sebring history.
 - C. Have architectural merit.
 - D. Have potential information important to the history or archaeology of Sebring.

Listing on the Local Register has a number of benefits which may include the following:

- Access to local funding for exterior restoration through the CRA Façade Grant Program for properties located within the CRA District
- Federal tax incentives for Commercial Buildings listed on the National Register
- Prestige, raising awareness and pride

Listing on the Local Register does NOT:

- Prevent remodeling, selling, repairing, altering
- Obligate owners to make repairs or improvements

You may nominate a property for listing on the Local Register by filling out an application form. The Sebring Historic Preservation Commission will review the application and rule upon eligibility. City staff will provide assistance with completion of the application form. A number of Sebring area sites are already listed on the Register of Historic Places.

CITY OF SEBRING LOCAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES NOMINATION FORM APPLICATION

The completion and submittal of this form constitutes the formal nomination and application of a property to the City of Sebring Historic Local Register. Complete applications will be forwarded to the Sebring Historic Preservation Commission for consideration. Written notification of the Commission's action will be provided to the applicant.

Please type and use 8 ½" x 11" paper if additional space is needed. Contact the City of Sebring Historic Preservation office at (863)-471-5104 for information about receiving this form in a word processing format.

All submitted materials become the property of the City of Sebring.

I. IDENTIFICATION

Name by which property is known: _____

Property Address: _____

Name of Property Owner: _____

Owner's Mailing Address: _____

Owner's Telephone: _____

Contact Person's Name: _____
(If different from owner)

Contact Person's Address: _____

Applicant's Name and Address: _____
(If different from owner)

Applicant's Telephone: _____

Property Strap Number: _____
(listed on tax statement)

Attach Legal Description or provide copy of survey: _____

Attach property location map with footprint of property (s): _____

Check the appropriate type of historic resource to be listed on the Local Register:

____ Site

____ District

____ Building

____ Structure (other than building)

____ Object

II. HISTORY OF RESOURCE

Original Date of Construction: _____

Original Architect / Builder: _____

Original Owner: _____

Historic Use of Site: _____

Check the following if available:

____ Original Construction Plans

____ Abstract of Title

____ Historic Photographs

List research source(s) in documenting the above historical information on a separate sheet of paper:

III. CURRENT CONDITION OF THE SITE

Original Use of Site: _____

Current Use of Site: _____

Intended Use of Site: _____

Have any additions or alterations been made to the historic resource? _____ If yes, please explain. Include type and date of alteration.

Do you anticipate making any substantial alterations to this historic resource in the future? _____ If yes, what?

IV. NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION OF THE SITE:

(Briefly describe the historic resource and its setting. Describe its major physical characteristics. Assess the integrity of the historic resource as it now exists, as compared with its original location, design, setting, materials and workmanship.)

V. STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

(Briefly describe the importance of the property to the local community, the state, or nation. Identify the property's association with significant persons or events, or its architectural or archaeological distinction. List sources used to document the above information. One can use citations from books, articles, wills, city and county records, or other source material.)

VI. PHOTOGRAPHIC INFORMATION:

Please attach current photographs of the property(s) documenting all major character defining features, no smaller than 3 ½ by 5 inches, from all sides of the property or historic resource.

VII. OWNER AWARENESS STATEMENT:

As the Owner, or Official Representative of the Owner, of the subject property identified in the application above, I am aware of this proposal for listing on the City of Sebring Local Register of Historic Places. I have been advised of the procedures for review of this application. I have also been advised of the effects of listing the subject property on the Local Register. I understand that I will be notified of the date and place of the public meeting at which the application will be considered by the Sebring Historic Preservation Commission and that I will be given the opportunity to submit written comments and to appear in person.

Signature: _____ Date: _____
Owner of Property

VIII. CRITERIA FOR LISTING ON THE LOCAL REGISTER

This section is to be completed by the Historic Preservation Commission prior to the meeting to be submitted at the meeting and filed in the office.

(X) Indicates all applicable criteria:

Individual Listing Criteria of a Site, Building, Structure or Object:

_____ It possesses integrity of location, design, setting, materials, workmanship, feeling and association.

_____ It is associated with events or persons that are significant to local, state or national history.

_____ It embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction.

_____ It represents the work of a master, possessing high artistic values.

_____ It represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components may lack individual distinction.

_____ It has yielded, or may be likely to yield, information important in prehistory or history.

District Listing Criteria:

A site, building, structure or object shall be designated as contributing to that district if it meets the following criteria:

_____ The property is one which, by its location, design, setting, materials, workmanship, feeling, and association adds to the districts sense of time and place and historical development. (A property is not considered contributing if the property’s integrity of location, design, setting, materials, workmanship, feeling and association have been altered that the overall integrity of the property has been irretrievably lost.)

_____ Structures built within the past fifty (50) years will be considered to contribute to the significance of a district, when a strong justification concerning their historical or architectural merit is given, or the historical attributes of the district are considered to be more than fifty (50) years old.

General Condition of Site: _____Excellent _____Good _____Fair _____Poor

In my opinion, the property ___meets ___does not meet the Local Register Criteria.

Signature: _____ Date: _____
Historic Preservation Commissioner