



Task Force Meeting #2 Meeting Summary

City of Greenville Historic Design Standards Update | April 8, 2026, 6 PM | Teams

Attendees

- Andrew Morehead, Task Force
- Benjamin Janes, Task Force
- Jeremy Jordan, Task Force
- Jeremy Russell, Task Force
- Adrian Atkinson, City of Greenville
- Chantae Gooby, AICP, City of Greenville
- Isabella Sardina, City of Greenville
- Heather Slane, hmwPreservation
- Kara Drane, FAICP, Colliers Engineering & Design

Meeting Summary

The second Task Force meeting for the City of Greenville Historic Design Standards Update project was held on April 8, 2026, at 6:00 PM to continue review of the draft Historic Design Standards and receive feedback on proposed standards related to site features and site development within College View Historic District and on Local Landmark properties. The meeting opened with welcome remarks, followed by a detailed review of draft standards prepared for the Site Features chapter of the document.

The primary focus of the meeting was a discussion of proposed standards addressing rights-of-way and public spaces. The draft materials emphasized the importance of preserving streets, sidewalks, planting strips, street trees, lighting, signage, and other public realm elements that contribute to the character of the College View Historic District and the Local Landmark properties. The Task Force reviewed standards intended to maintain existing streetscape patterns, preserve historic materials where present, minimize visual impacts from utilities, and ensure that new streetscape improvements remain compatible with the historic character of the district.

The group also reviewed draft guidance related to landscape and site features. Discussion materials addressed the preservation of mature trees, hedges, foundation plantings, lawns, gardens, terraces, and other landscape elements that contribute to the historic setting of properties. The draft standards emphasized retaining significant landscape features, replacing damaged plant materials with compatible species when appropriate, and locating contemporary site features in a manner that minimizes impacts on historic character. The materials also addressed sustainability





considerations, including the use of native plantings and incorporation of environmentally sensitive site improvements.

Additional discussion focused on proposed standards for fences and walls. The draft materials examined the role of fences, walls, and hedges in defining property boundaries and shaping neighborhood character. The Task Force reviewed recommendations regarding appropriate materials, locations, heights, and design considerations for new and existing fences and walls, with particular attention given to maintaining compatibility with surrounding historic development patterns. The discussion also considered comments and revisions contained within the draft review document.

The meeting continued with a review of draft standards related to walkways, driveways, and off-street parking. Discussion materials highlighted the importance of preserving historic circulation patterns, protecting landscape features, and locating parking areas in a manner that minimizes visual impacts on historic properties and streetscapes. Consideration was also given to compatible paving materials and approaches that balance historic preservation objectives with contemporary site needs.

The Task Force also reviewed draft guidance addressing exterior lighting and signage. The materials emphasized maintaining lighting that is compatible with the scale and character of historic districts while providing adequate safety and security. Signage discussions focused on maintaining pedestrian-scaled signs, preserving historic character, and ensuring compatibility with both historic buildings and existing local regulations.

The final portion of the meeting addressed garages and accessory structures. Discussion centered on the historic role of accessory buildings within Greenville's historic districts and the importance of maintaining compatibility in their design, materials, location, and relationship to primary structures. Draft standards also addressed the construction of new accessory structures and appropriate alterations to existing buildings.

The meeting concluded with discussion of the draft Site Features chapter and related comments incorporated during the review process. Feedback received during the meeting will assist in refining the Historic Design Standards Update as the project advances through subsequent Task Force meetings and public review opportunities.

The meeting ended at approximately 7:45 PM.

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