



Task Force Meeting #3 Meeting Summary

City of Greenville Historic Design Standards Update | May 13, 2026, 6 PM | Teams

Attendees

- Andrew Morehead, Task Force
- Jeremy Jordan, Task Force
- Isabella Sardina, City of Greenville
- Heather Slane, hmwPreservation

Meeting Summary

The third Task Force meeting for the City of Greenville Historic Design Standards Update was held on May 13, 2026, at 6:00 PM via Microsoft Teams. The purpose of the meeting was to review draft standards related to historic building materials and finishes and to discuss comments received on the draft document.

The discussion began with the proposed standards for masonry materials, including brick, stone, stucco, mortar joints, foundations, chimneys, walls, and other architectural features. Participants reviewed guidance emphasizing preservation, repair, and replacement in kind, as well as best practices for cleaning, moisture management, and repointing of historic masonry. Comments focused on the appropriateness of regulating certain maintenance activities that may not require a Certificate of Appropriateness.

The Task Force then reviewed standards for wood materials and features, including siding, trim, windows, doors, porch elements, and decorative details. Discussion addressed maintenance practices, repair techniques, replacement standards, and the importance of retaining historic materials whenever possible. Additional comments were provided regarding the extent to which routine maintenance activities should be regulated.

The group next discussed architectural metals, including iron, steel, copper, aluminum, and related features such as roofs, gutters, downspouts, railings, and hardware. Draft standards focused on corrosion prevention, appropriate cleaning methods, repair techniques, and replacement requirements intended to maintain the historic character of district properties.

Review of the Exterior Paint and Finishes section included discussion of proper surface preparation, maintenance of painted surfaces, appropriate paint removal methods, and protection of underlying





historic materials. Participants considered how the standards should distinguish between maintenance activities and work requiring formal review.

The Task Force also reviewed the Color section of the draft standards. Discussion focused on guidance for historic color palettes, painted finishes, roofing materials, gutters, awnings, and other exterior features. Comments were provided regarding the regulation of specific color selections and roofing materials, including questions related to energy efficiency and the appropriateness of certain restrictions.

The final topic of discussion was Substitute Materials. The draft standards outlined circumstances under which substitute materials may be considered, including material availability, code requirements, durability concerns, and lack of skilled craftspeople. The group discussed potential reference materials and resources that could be incorporated into the final document, including guidance from the National Park Service and the State Historic Preservation Office.

The meeting concluded at approximately 7:30 PM.

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