

**Sec. 27-147. - Criteria for designation.**

**(a)**

In making a recommendation concerning designation or in designating a historic landmark or historic district, the landmarks commission and the unified government board of commissioners, respectively, shall determine that the proposed landmark or district meets one or more of the following criteria:

**(1)**

Prior designation on lists of historic sites, including, but not limited to, the National Register of Historic Places and the Register of Historic Kansas Places.

**(2)**

Character, interest or value as part of the development, heritage or culture of the city, the state or the United States.

**(3)**

Location as the site of a significant historic event.

**(4)**

Identification with a person or persons who significantly contributed to the culture and development of the city.

**(5)**

Exemplification of the cultural, economic, social or historical heritage of the city.

**(6)**

Portrayal of the environment of a group of people in an era of history characterized by distinctive architectural style or sequence of styles.

**(7)**

Embodiment of distinguishing characteristics of an architectural type or specimen.

**(8)**

Identification as the work of an architect or master builder whose individual work has influenced the development of the city.

**(9)**

Embodiment of elements of architectural design, detail, materials or craftsmanship that represent a significant architectural innovation.

**(10)**

Relationships to other distinctive buildings, sites or areas that are eligible for preservation according to a plan based on historic, cultural or architectural motif.

**(11)**

Unique location or singular physical characteristics representing an established and familiar visual feature of a neighborhood, community or the city.

**(12)**

Archaeological value in that it has produced or can be expected to produce data affecting theories of historic or prehistoric interest.

**(13)**

Value as an aspect of community sentiment or public pride.

**(b)**

Properties that have achieved significance within the past 50 years shall not be considered eligible for designation. However, such properties will qualify if they are integral parts of districts that do meet the criteria or if the property is determined to be of exceptional importance.

*(Code 1964, § 2-26(6)(D); Code 1988, § 27-114; Ord. No. 49004, § 2, 9-1-1970; Ord. No. 63524, § 1, 11-12-1981; Ord. No. 64598, § 1, 2-2-1984)*