

RG 8 Commission for Historical and Architectural Preservation  
(1964-present)

History

The municipality established the Commission for Historical and Architectural Preservation (CHAP) in 1964 "to preserve the historic, cultural, educational and architectural value of buildings and structures located in certain areas in the city." The main tasks of CHAP have been designating historical and architectural preservation districts and compiling landmark lists; the agency also operates a salvage depot and advises on historical and architectural preservation. The commission is composed of eleven members appointed by the mayor with the approval of the city council. Members serve five-year terms and a salaried executive director runs the commission's daily operation.

Records Summary

With the exception of the first two series, the records of the commission are maintained permanently in its offices. The records consist of research files on the preservation districts and other historical buildings and the minutes of the commission, which cover its activities in architectural preservation projects. Series

Series

1. Square Mile Sheets and Miscellaneous Building Plans. 1964-present. 1 reel of microfilm. No arrangement.
2. Minutes of the Commission. 1964-present. 2 reels of microfilm. Arranged chronologically.
3. Building Surveys. 1964-present. Arranged alphabetically by building.
4. Historic District Building Files, 1964-present. Arranged alphabetically by building.
5. Landmarks List. 1964-present. Arranged alphabetically by site.