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Broadway Historic District Considered for Local Designation

The [Rock Island Preservation Commission](#) may consider an application to designate the [Broadway Historic District](#) as a local historic district at a public hearing scheduled for **5:15 p.m., Wednesday, January 26, 2005** in the council chambers, Rock Island City Hall, 1528 3rd Avenue, Rock Island, Illinois.



Broadway property owners have been asked to complete an Owner Consent Form and indicate whether they are in favor of or opposed to the establishment of the local historic district, which provides for architectural review of changes to the exterior of homes and properties in the district. If 51% of the property owners who return their forms are in favor of the historic district, the public hearing will be held, and the Rock Island Preservation Commission will consider the application. If 51% of those who return the forms are opposed, the public hearing will not be held and the application terminates.

Should the 51% threshold be met, the public hearing will be held and applicants, proponents and opponents to the proposed Broadway Local District will be invited to speak. Questions or comments on the nomination can be made in person at the hearing, or made by mail by sending them to Jill Doak, [Planning and Redevelopment Division](#), 1528 3rd Avenue, Rock Island, Illinois 61201, calling (309) 732-2900 or sending e-mail to Doak.Jill@rigov.org. The [Preservation Commission](#) will then close the public hearing and deliberate and discuss the topic. A decision must be made within 35 days of closing the public hearing.

Should the Preservation Commission designate Broadway as a local historic district (notices will be sent to property owners regarding the decision), any single property owner in the district will have the ability to file an appeal of the designation with the Rock Island City Clerk within 30 days of the decision. A two-thirds majority vote by City Council is required to overturn the designation by the Preservation Commission.

The Broadway Local Historic District application was filed by Deb Kuntzi and Ed Hanna of the [Broadway Historic District Association](#). A Preliminary Determination Subcommittee of the Rock Island Preservation Commission found the application meets four criteria contained in the Preservation Ordinance and forwarded the application to the Preservation Commission for full consideration. The criteria met include National Register Guidelines and Section 11-112 (e) (1), (2) and (3) of the Rock Island Code of Ordinances.

The Broadway Historic District was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1998. To learn more about the architectural review for Rock Island Landmarks and Historic Districts, please click [here](#).