



The Courthouse Hill Historic District Newsletter

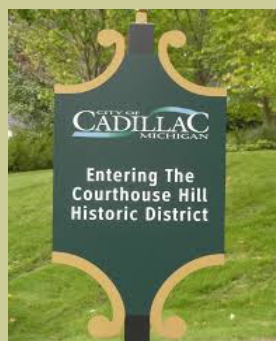
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The Courthouse Hill Historic District Commission

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Note: One membership is currently open. For information please contact Abigail Pluger, Community Development Specialist at apluger@cadillac-mi.net or 231-779-7329.



Commission meetings are held at the Cadillac Administrative Offices, 200 N. Lake Street, Cadillac, MI 49601 on the second Monday of each month at 5:00 p.m. The public is always welcome.



Historical Roads

The brick streets along Mason and Shelby are a cherished historic feature of the City of Cadillac, and have been a priority of the Historic District Commission for years. Years of wear, utility work under the streets and inconsistent repairs have led to a deterioration of the brick roads. The city is preparing a grant application to support the restoration and replacement of the historic brick streets, a key component to our community's character. The City of Cadillac is pursuing funding through the Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP), administered by the Federal Highway Administration and managed at the state level. TAP grant funding is one of the few resources available for projects like this.

The HDC partnered with the City of Cadillac to complete a walking audit of the current brick roads in August. Thank you to all of the business, homeowners, Cadillac Historic Society, and all others that attended and offered feedback. The city is also collaborating with the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) to ensure our plans align with the Secretary of Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties.

Part of this grant application is gaining your input! We want you to be a part of our design process. Please take the time to complete the survey below. Share it with your family and friends throughout Cadillac.

Please take this short survey!

<https://survey.zohopublic.com/zs/nDayiY>



What is New with the Historic Districts Commission?

New Staff and Members

2025 has brought several new faces to the Historic Districts Commission (HDC) and city staff. Carla Moore joined as the newest member of the HDC and has jumped into meetings and participating in our rehabilitation of the brick roads. Theresa Waldo joined the city as Community Development Director. Theresa spent 20 months in Manistee as the Community Development Director, where she ran the downtown Historic District Commission, before joining the City of Cadillac in July. Abigail Pluger, Community Development Specialist, is the staff liaison to the HDC, coordinating all work applications and meetings.

New Home Owners

Welcome to the several new home owners in the district in 2025! As a property owner in the district, you agree to abide by the Design Guidelines of the Historic Districts Commission. Did you know those resources are always available to you? A user-friendly HDC information flyer is available at the front desk and online. The guidelines and work application can be found on the city website, www.cadillac-mi.net, and staff can get you an electronic or paper copy at any time. Please contact Abigail Pluger at apluger@cadillac-mi.net or at (231)779-7329 to request your resources.

New Resources

City staff have updated several resources and the website for easy access to materials. You will find the following at www.cadillac-mi.net/126/Cadillac-Historic-Districts-Commission.

- Images of all homes in the HDC
- Informational Flyer
- Design Guidelines
- District Map
- Annual Report
- List of your Board Members