

# GOAL #1

Document, inventory, and designate Albany's significant historic, cultural, architectural and archaeological resources.

STATION 3

## POLICY STATEMENTS:

Policy Statement for Decision-Makers 1.1

1.1

Conduct on-going field surveys and documentation efforts as a basis for designating future historic districts, individual landmarks and conservation districts.

Actions Include:

**Action 1.1** Survey and Inventory Albany's older 19th century residential areas that are not currently listed in the National Register or designated as Local Districts.

**Action 1.2** Survey and Inventory Albany's extensive early 20th century residential areas that are not currently listed in the National Register or designated as Local Districts.

**Action 1.3** Survey and Inventory Albany's historic religious structures.

**Action 1.4** Survey and Inventory Albany's historic schools.

**Action 1.5** Create a Significant Property List.

Policy Statement for Decision-Makers 1.2

1.2

Seek a diversity of funding sources for the continued survey and documentation of Albany's historic resources.

Policy Statement for Decision-Makers 1.3

1.3

List new historic districts and individual properties in the National Register of Historic Places or designate them as Local Landmarks and Historic Districts.

Actions Include:

**Action 1.6** List the Delaware/Marinello Historic District in the National Register of Historic Places.

**Action 1.7** Consider a Downtown Albany Historic District Expansion.

**Action 1.8** List the SUNY Albany Alumni Quadrangle in the National Register of Historic Places.

**Action 1.9** List the SUNY Albany Uptown Campus in the National Register of Historic Places

**Action 1.10** List new properties in the National Register of Historic Places and designate new Historic Landmarks.

**Action 1.11** Create an inventory of Contributing and Non-Contributing buildings, properties and sites for all Local and National Register historic districts.

**Action 1.12** Re-inventory existing historic districts to evaluate current eligibility.



### WHAT DO YOU THINK?

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# GOAL #2

Review and enhance preservation policy and program administration.

STATION 3

## POLICY STATEMENTS:

Policy Statement for Decision-Makers 2.1

**2.1** Review and update the historic preservation ordinance and other regulatory tools to advance community preservation planning goals.

Actions Include:

**Action 2.1** Update the historic preservation components of the Unified Sustainable Development Ordinance.

**Action 2.2** Review fee structure for Major Certificate of Appropriateness applications and review of Demolition applications.

**Action 2.3** Create an online application submission portal.

Policy Statement for Decision-Makers 2.2

**2.2** Consider and adopt new tools that support and encourage preservation of important historic resources.

Actions Include:

**Action 2.4** Develop a design guidelines manual for historic districts and landmarks.

**Action 2.5** Develop a property maintenance manual for older buildings.

Policy Statement for Decision-Makers 2.3

**2.3** Improve Historic Resources Commission operations and develop local preservation leadership.

Actions Include:

**Action 2.6** Adopt internal rules of procedure for Historic Resources Commission operations.

**Action 2.7** Actively recruit new members to the Historic Resources Commission.

**Action 2.8** Orient incoming Historic Resources Commission members to commission operations.

**Action 2.9** Provide opportunities for the ongoing training and education of Historic Resources Commission members.

**Action 2.10** Maintain the City of Albany's Certified Local Government status.

**Action 2.11** Establish a budget for publications and community outreach.

**Action 2.12** Highlight Historic Resources Commission operations and accomplishments.



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**Action 2.13** Provide specialized historic preservation training for building and fire inspectors and code enforcement officers.

**Action 2.14** Designate a preservation specialist among City building inspectors.

# GOAL #3

Revitalize and maintain Albany's historic neighborhoods and commercial areas through conservation, adaptive use, and other enhancement efforts.

STATION 3

## POLICY STATEMENTS:

3.1

Policy Statement for Decision-Makers 3.1

Create an implement new planning, zoning and other regulatory tools that facilitate neighborhood and commercial district preservation and revitalization.

Actions Include:

**Action 3.1** Implement a neighborhood conservation district program.

**Action 3.2** Implement an adaptive use ordinance.

**Action 3.3** Enhance City of Albany's tax abatement program for historic properties.

3.2

Policy Statement for Decision-Makers 3.2

Support and enhance private-sector organizations and entities involved in local preservation and revitalization initiatives.

Actions Include:

**Action 3.4** Encourage and facilitate the creation of an Albany revolving fund program for historic properties.

**Action 3.5** Create an "early warning system" on neighborhood building conditions and property abandonment.

**Action 3.6** Adopt demolition notification provisions within the Albany Unified Sustainable Development Ordinance.

3.3

Policy Statement for Decision-Makers 3.3

Implement initiatives that address demolitions and vacant historic buildings, properties, and lots.

Actions Include:

**Action 3.7** Create a marketing website portfolio for available historic properties.

**Action 3.8** Waive vacant property registration fees as an incentive for property rehabilitation.

**Action 3.9** Leverage available tax credit incentive programs to facilitate vacant property rehabilitation.

**Action 3.10** Prioritize incentives, including Community Development Block Grant funds, to vacant historic properties.

**Action 3.11** Bolster material recycling requirements for historic properties.



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# GOAL #4

Promote increased awareness and public understanding of historic preservation benefits through ongoing education and advocacy efforts.

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## POLICY STATEMENTS:

Policy Statement for Decision-Makers 4.1

4.1

*Provide specialized historic preservation training for community stakeholders.*

Actions Include:

**Action 4.1** Provide specialized historic preservation training for community stakeholders.

**Action 4.2** Consider creating an annual Preservation Awards program that includes categories such as residential, commercial, institutional, beautification (outstanding property maintenance) and a block award.

Policy Statement for Decision-Makers 4.2

4.2

*Provide educational information that informs the community regarding the City's historic preservation program, history, local landmarks and districts and educational opportunities.*

Actions Include:

**Action 4.3** Create an educational brochure detailing the historic preservation program.

**Action 4.4** Create an educational brochure on how to research your property.

**Action 4.5** Create an educational brochure detailing local and state preservation funding sources.

**Action 4.6** Create an educational brochure outlining the Local Landmark designation process.



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# GOAL #4

Promote increased awareness and public understanding of historic preservation benefits through ongoing education and advocacy efforts.

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## POLICY STATEMENTS:

Policy Statement for Decision-Makers 4.3

**4.3** Use available technologies and other educational tools to increase awareness of Albany's history and historic architecture and neighborhoods.

Actions Include:

**Action 4.7** Create an internet portal for Albany survey and historic property data.

**Action 4.8** Create online versions of brochures, materials and other historic preservation information.

**Action 4.9** Consider creating an involved historic preservation social media package.

**Action 4.10** Consider creating a branding and marketing strategy to promote Albany's historic neighborhoods and quality of life.

Policy Statement for Decision-Makers 4.4

**4.3** Create and enhance partnerships with organizations and entities that maintain a variety of educational and advocacy activities.

Actions Include:

**Action 4.11** Expand partnerships with the Historic Albany Foundation.

**Action 4.12** Seek partnerships with other organizations and entities.



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