

FACT SHEET: Proposed Duboce Park Landmark District

- The proposed Duboce Park Landmark District was identified and documented as eligible for the National Register in 2008.
- The proposed District is comprised of 89 residential buildings and the historic stone steps and Serpentine rock retaining walls at the three interior block Park entrances. It is bounded by Scott, Waller, and Steiner streets.
- Largely constructed between 1899-1902, the proposed District contains excellent examples of residential buildings designed by master Victorian-era builders, including Fernando Nelson.
- The proposed district was added to the Historic Preservation Commission's Landmark Designation Work Program on June 15, 2011.
- There are currently 11 Landmark Districts and 261 individual Landmarks in San Francisco.
- The last Landmark District was designated in 2003 (Dogpatch Historic District).
- A minimum of five public hearings are required for designation of a Landmark District:
 - Historic Preservation Commission (two)
 - Planning Commission (one)
 - Board of Supervisors (two)
- Designation is the only mechanism within the San Francisco Planning Code that provides additional protection against the demolition of San Francisco's historically significant buildings.
- Landmark District designation ensures that rehabilitation and new construction is compatible with the neighborhood's historic character.
- The proposed Duboce Park Landmark District designation will apply to the exterior of buildings only. In no case, will changes to the interior of buildings within the District require additional review.
- A Landmark District's designation ordinance is tailored to address the historic character of each area and to meet the unique needs of each neighborhood
- The Planning Department conducted community outreach events from July 2011- September 2011 including a walking tour, three community meetings, and two "Ask a Planner" nights held at the Duboce Park Café.
- Funding for public outreach activities was provided by Preserve America, a federally funded program focused on a greater shared knowledge about the nation's past, strengthened regional identities and local pride, increased local participation in preserving the country's cultural heritage, and support for the economic vitality of local communities.
- Financial incentives for preservation of historic properties may include donation of a Preservation Easement, the Federal 20% Rehabilitation Tax Credit, and Mills Act property tax reductions.

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