

May 10, 2023

Chairman John Festa Mantua Township Board of Trustees 11915 Chamberlain Rd. Aurora, Ohio 44202

Dear Chairman Festa:

SUBJECT: Mantua Center Historic District Boundary Increase to include Westlawn Cemetery & Mausoleum, 3991 State Route 82, Public Common, 4112 State Route 82, Disciples of Christ Church, 4118 State Route 82, Mantua Township Hall, 4122 State Route 82 and Eastlawn Cemetery, Cemetery & Stone Wall & Methodist Episcopal Church (Civic Center), 11670 Mantua Center Road, Mantua Center School, 11741 Mantua Center Road & Town Hall Boy's Outhouse, 11750 Mantua Center Rd., Portage County

We are pleased to inform you that the historic district, listed above, is being considered by the Ohio Historic Site Preservation Advisory Board for nomination to the National Register of Historic Places, the Federal government's official list of historic properties worthy of preservation. Listing in the National Register provides recognition for and assists in preserving our nation's heritage.

National Register listing provides recognition of the property's historic importance and assures protective review of Federal projects that might adversely affect the historic character of the property. If the property is listed in the National Register, certain Federal investment tax credits for rehabilitation and other provisions may apply.

Listing in the National Register does not mean that limitations will be placed on the property by the Federal government. Public visitation rights are not required of owners

The Advisory Board will meet on **June 16**, **2023** at the Ohio History Connection, Cardinal Classroom, located at 800 E. 17th Ave., in Columbus. The meeting will begin at 10:00 a.m. A virtual attendance option is available to all National Register nomination authors, property owners, elected officials and other interested parties. Visit www.ohiohistory.org/ohspab to register. If you plan to attend in person, please rsvp your attendance to Tina Harrah at 614.298.2000 or tharrah@ohiohistory.org by June 14, 2023.

We welcome any comments regarding the nomination of this property. Owners of a private property objecting to the listing of their property in the National Register of Historic Places must submit a notarized letter of objection to the State Historic Preservation Office by the date of the Board meeting stated above. If an individual owner of a private property objects, the nominated property will not be listed in the National Register of Historic Places. In nominations with multiple ownership of a single private property or for private properties included within a historic district nomination, the nomination will not be listed if a majority of private property owners object to listing the nomination. Nominations not listed in the National Register due to owner objection will receive a Determination of Eligibility by the National Park Service.

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Attached you will find a fact sheet that explains, in greater detail, the results of listing in the National Register, and information which describes the rights and procedures by which an owner may comment on, or object to, listing in the National Register.

An agenda will be posted on our web site three weeks prior to the meeting. You can view it at http://www.ohiohistory.org/OHSPABmeetings or contact us for a hard copy.

Although a staff member will present your nomination, you are encouraged to attend the meeting. The board typically has questions about nominated properties. Your presence and ability to answer questions can make a significant difference at the board meeting.

Please contact me at 614-298-2000 or at <u>amarshall@ohiohistory.org</u> if you have any questions about this nomination prior to the Advisory Board meeting. Please note that local and state officials in your area are also being notified of the nomination for any comments they wish to express.

Sincerely,

Abby Marshall

Survey & National Register Manager

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Enclosure(s)

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About the National Register of Historic Places

Online at ohiohistory.org/nationalregister

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Historic Places is the official
list of properties recognized
by the federal government
as worthy of preservation for
their local, state, or national significance
in American history, architecture, archaeology, engineering or culture. Although
the National Register is a program of the
National Park Service, it is administered at
the state level by each respective state.

What Makes a Property Eligible for the National Register?

Historic properties include more than just buildings. There are five categories for historic properties that are listed in the National Register: buildings, structures, sites, objects and districts.

There are three evaluation standards that historic properties must meet in order to be listed in the National Register. The property should be at least 50 years old, retain its basic historic integrity and meet one of the four established National Register criteria.

A quick definition of the four National



WILLIAM DENTZEL CAROUSEL, LISTED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER IN 1990.

Register criteria is that the property must have significance for its association with broad patterns of history, have association with the lives of persons significant in our past, have architectural merit or have the potential to yield information important in history or prehistory (archaeology).

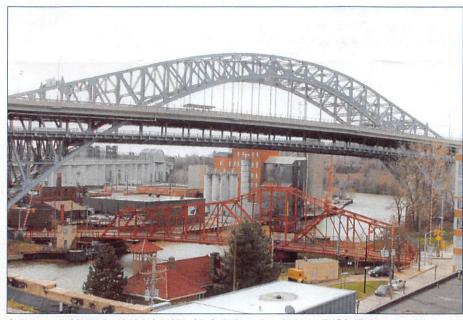
What National Register Listing Does

The listing of a building, structure, site, object or district in the National Register of Historic Places accords it a certain prestige, which can raise the property owner's and community's awareness and pride.

Income-producing (depreciable) properties which are listed in the National Register individually or as part of a historic district may be aided by federal tax incentives which allow for a 20 percent investment tax credit for certified rehabilitation. National Register listing is often a prerequisite for funding applications for restoration work through various private, non-profit organizations, such as the National Trust for Historic Preservation.

What National Register Listing Does Not Do

National Register listing does not prevent



CLEVELAND CENTRE HISTORIC DISTRICT, CLEVELAND, LISTED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER IN 2014

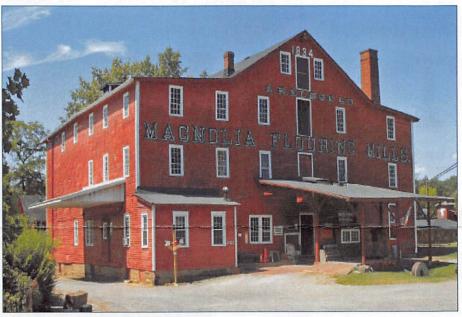
the owner of the listed property from remodeling, repairing, altering, selling or even demolishing it with other than federal funds. While property owners are not bound by any restrictions, the Ohio Historic Preservation Office strongly encourages owners of historic properties to consider all options before completing work that could damage the structure or impair its historic integrity. The Ohio Historic Preservation Office, upon request, provides information on how to sensitively rehabilitate and repair historic properties.

National Register listing does not obligate an owner to make any repairs or improvements to the property.

How Properties Are Chosen for National Register Listing

In Ohio, anyone may fill out the forms to nominate a property to the National Register. Once a nomination is complete, the property owner(s), appropriate local officials and other interested parties are given an opportunity to comment on the proposed listing. In the case of a historic district where more than 50 property owners are involved, a public notice in the local newspaper and a public hearing help ensure that every owner has the chance to respond. If a majority of owners for an individual property or within a historic district object, the nomination will not be listed, but will be evaluated for National Register eligibility.

Following the notification period, the nomination is scheduled for review by the Ohio Historic Site Preservation Advisory Board. The board is a 17-member panel appointed by the governor to advise the State Historic Preservation Officer. The board reviews the nomination to determine whether it meets the criteria for listing in the National Register. If the board decides that the property is eligible for listing, the nomination is given the board's approval. The nomination is reviewed a final time and signed by the State Historic Preservation Officer. The final step in the process is review by the National Park Service. If the National Register of Historic Places staff approves the nomination, the property is officially placed in the National



ELSON-MAGNOLIA FLOUR MILL, STARK COUNTY, OHIO. LISTED JULY 14, 2000.

Register by the Keeper of the National Register of Historic Places.

Related Programs

Properties listed in the National Register, as well as those determined eligible for listing, are given special consideration in the planning of federally funded or licensed projects. Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966—the same act that established the National Register program—requires that all federally funded or licensed projects be reviewed before work commences to determine whether they will affect historic properties. Section 106 review is a routine part of the planning process for all federally assisted projects. It occurs

regardless of whether a property is in the National Register or not. Reviewers use the National Register standards and criteria to evaluate properties that may be affected by the federal project. The review does not guarantee that the property will not be affected or even demolished, but it does ensure that there will be an opportunity to consider the effects of the project before it occurs.

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Rights of Owners to Comment and/or Object to Lising in the National Register of Historic Places

wners of private properties nominated to the National Register of Historic Places have an opportunity to concur with or object to listing in accord with the National Historic Preservation Act and 36 CFR 60.

Any owner or partial owner of private property who chooses to object to listing may submit to the State Historic Preservation Officer a notarized statement certifying that the party is the sole or partial owner of private property and objects to the listing. Each owner or partial owner of private property has one vote regardless of the portion of property that the party owns. If an individual owner of a private property objects, the nominated property will not be listed in the National Register of Historic Places.

For nominations with multiple ownership of a single private property or for private properties included in a historic district nomination; the nomination will not be listed if a majority of private property owners object to the nomination.

However, the State Historic Preservation Officer shall submit the nomination to the Keeper of the National Register of Historic Places for a determination of eligibility for listing. If the nomination is then determined eligible for listing, although not formally listed, federal agencies will be required to allow for the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation to have an opportunity to comment before the agency may fund, license, or assist a project which will affect the properties within the nomination.

If an owner chooses to object to the listing of his/her property, the notarized objection must be submitted to the State Historic Preservation Officer, c/o National Register Staff, Ohio History Connection. State Historic Preservation Office, 800 E. 17th Ave., Columbus, Ohio 43211-2474, by

the date of the Advisory Board meeting as announced in the notification letter.

If an owner wishes to comment on the nomination of the property to the National Register, the comments should be sent to the State Historic Preservation Officer by the date described above.

Results of Listing in the National Register of Historic Places

Eligibility for federal tax provisions: If a property is listed in the National Register, certain federal tax provisions may apply. The Tax Reform Act of 1986 provides for a 20% Historic Rehabiliation Investment Tax Credit with a full adjustment to basis for rehabilitating historic commercial, industrial, and rental buildings. The former 10% and 20% investment tax credits for rehabilitation of older commercial buildings are combined into a single 10% investment tax credit for the commercial or industrial buildings built before 1936. The Tax Treatment Extension Act of 1990 provides federal tax deductions for charitable contributions for conservation purposes of partial interests in historically important land areas or structures. Whether these provisions are advantageous to a property owner is dependent upon the particular circumstances of the property and the owner. Because tax aspects outlined above are complex, individuals should consult legal counsel or the appropriate local Internal

Revenue Service office for assistance in determining the tax consequences of the above provisions. For further information on certification requirements, please refer to 36 CFR 67.

Consideration in planning for federal, federally licensed, and federally assisted projects: Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 requires that federal agencies allow the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation to have an opportunity to comment on all projects affecting historic properties listed in the National Register. For further information, please refer to 36 CFR 800.

Consideration in issuing a surface mining permit: In accordance with the Surface Mining and Control Act of 1977, there must be consideration of historic values in the decision to issue a surface coal mining permit where coal is located.

For further information, please refer to 36 CFR 700 et. seq. Qualifications for federals grants for historic preservation when funds are available: Presently, funding is unavailable.

A copy of the nomination, information on the National Register of Historic Places and the federal tax provisions are available upon request.

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