

**LANDMARK DESIGNATION APPLICATION FORM
TOWN OF AMHERST, NEW YORK**

FOR USE OF BLDG. DEPT. ONLY REC'D BY _____ DATE _____ TIME _____

Town of Amherst Historic Preservation Commission
Town of Amherst Planning Department – (716) 631-7051

Your name: _____ Telephone: _____ Date: _____
Your address: _____
Organization (if any): _____

A. PROPERTY IDENTIFICATION

1. Building's common or current name: _____
2. Building's historic name, if known: _____
3. Street location: _____ SBL# _____
4. Present owner & address: _____
[list all owners of record and
their addresses – use
additional sheet if necessary] _____

B. DESCRIPTION OF CRITERIA FOR DESIGNATION OF HISTORIC LANDMARK, SITE, OR DISTRICT

Applicants must clearly and thoroughly identify the criteria which is the basis for designation of a historic landmark, site or district. Applications will not be considered by the Commission unless completed with all information deemed necessary by the Commission.

Applicants must:

- Indicate the criteria which is the basis of this application with a check box below
- Provide a supporting written narrative explaining how this property meets EACH criteria indicated.
- Attach supporting documentation for each criteria
- Provide such additional documentation required by the Commission

The HPC may recommend designation of an individual property as a HISTORIC LANDMARK if it:

- ____ 1. Is associated with the lives of individuals, or of people, or of events significant in the national, state or local history.
- ____ 2. Embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, a period, or a method of construction.
- ____ 3. Represents the work of a master architect or designer, or possesses high artistic values.
- ____ 4. Represents a significant or distinguished entity whose components may lack individual or special distinction.
- ____ 5. Because of a unique location or singular physical characteristic, it represents an established and familiar visual feature of the neighborhood.

The HPC may recommend designation of a property or a group of properties as a HISTORIC SITE if it/they:

- ____ 1. Contain(s) significant historical or cultural sites where buildings or structures no longer exist such as a battlefield, cemetery, or former transportation facility; or sites which may yield information important to area history or prehistory.

The HPC may recommend designation of a group of properties as an HISTORIC DISTRICT if they:

- ____ 1. Contain properties which meet one or more of the criteria for designation as a landmark; or
- ____ 2. Are an area that represents several periods or styles of architecture typical of different areas of history; or
- ____ 3. Are an area that has several buildings of the same architectural period or style, and thus constitute unified architectural streetscape consistency, or a significant community uniformity of style; or
- ____ 4. Are an area connected with significant events or cultural happenings or developments involving ethnic, religious groups, or other groups of special historical interest; and
- ____ 5. By reason of possessing such qualities, they constitute a distinct section of the Town of Amherst.

12. Other notable features of building and site (i.e. style, details, interior features if known):

Signature of Applicant

Date

Print Name

Two (2) copies of this form and all supporting documents must arrive by 4:00 pm (end of day) two weeks prior to the monthly Historic Preservation Commission meeting. Upon submission of the complete application, one complete PDF shall be emailed to the Town of Amherst. Email address shall be provided at the time of submission.

