

Living in a Landmark

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Historic Preservation Organizations:

Government regulation and incentives:

City of Chicago, Historic Preservation Division

Illinois Historic Preservation Agency [IHPA], which represents the National Park Service

Advocates:

Preservation Advocacy Groups (Landmarks Illinois and Preservation Chicago)

Business Groups (West Loop Gate)

Community Groups (Old Town Triangle Association)

Media (Newspapers, blogs, architecture websites)

Historic Preservation Division

- Landmark designation
- Permit Review
- Endangered Buildings
- Economic incentives
- Public education, surveys, etc.
- Staff for Commission on Chicago Landmarks
- Staff and Commission advise the Mayor and City Council: ultimate decision-making lies with City Council and local Alderman

Chicago Government

- **City Departments and staff**
 - Commissions – appointed by the Mayor
 - Refer actions and ordinances to Council for approval
- **Alderman and City Council**
 - Committees – Aldermen
- **Community groups and residents**

City Departments involved in Preservation

1. Department of Housing and Economic Development

- Historic Preservation Division
 - (Commission on Chicago Landmarks)
- Zoning and Planning
 - (Plan Commission)
- Economic Development/finance
 - (Community Development Commission)

2. Department of Buildings

- Building permit review
- Building Inspection
- Building violations

3. Department of Law

- Acts as legal council for sister departments
- Administrative hearings
- Circuit Court
(Conservation and Demolition)

Chicago Landmark District or Individual Landmark

Property is designated a landmark via legal ordinance approved by City Council and then administered by the Historic Preservation Division. An example of an individual landmark is Wrigley Field; Old Town Triangle is an example of a landmark district.

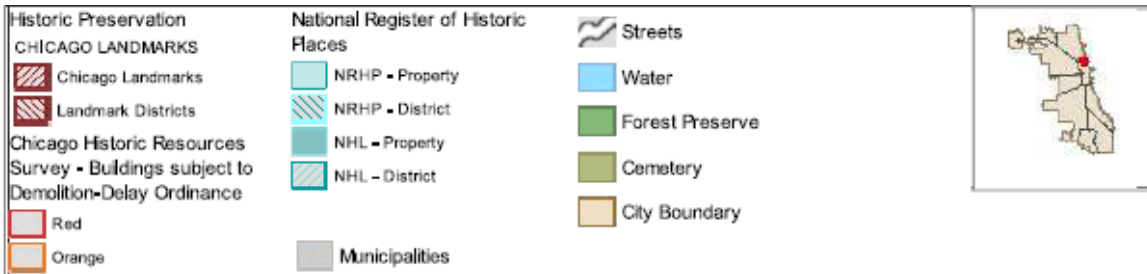
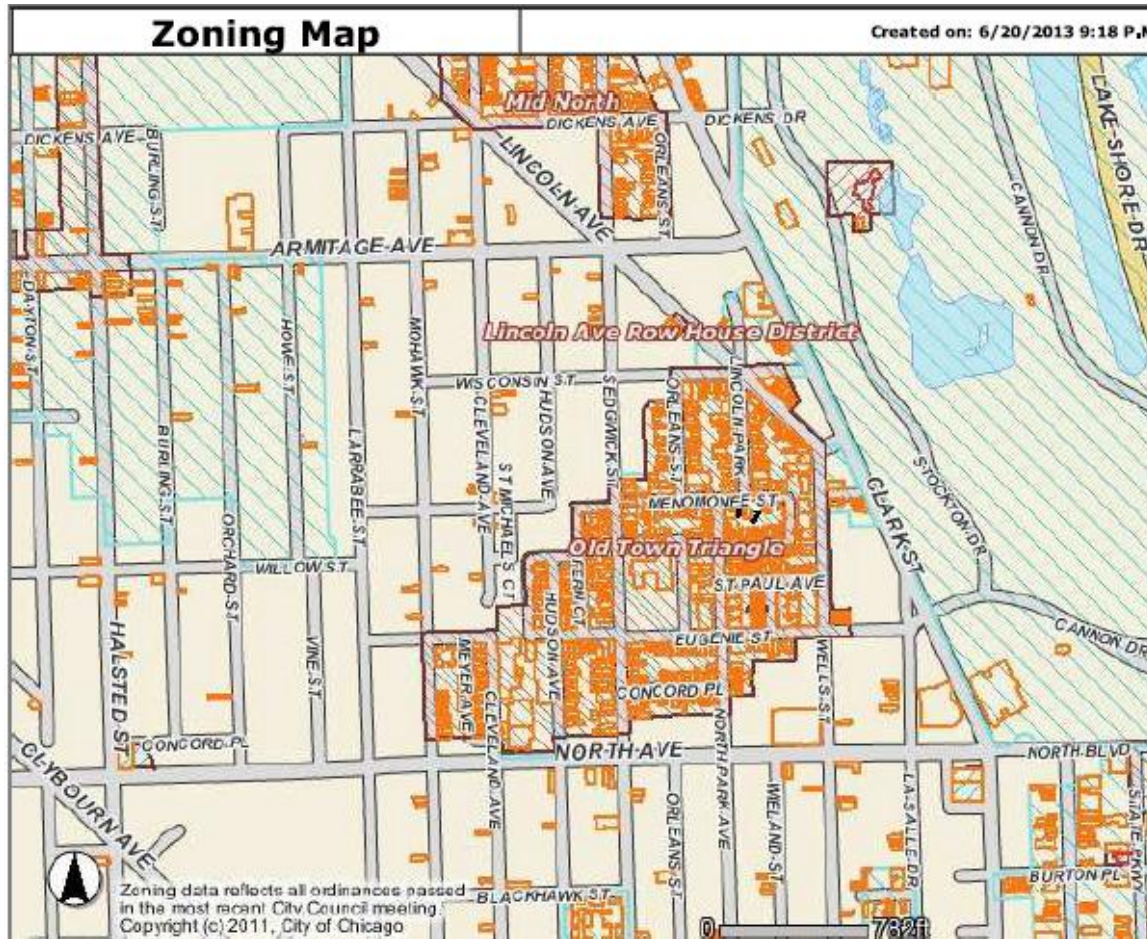
- All buildings within a landmark district are seen as individual landmarks
- Demolition is prohibited except in a few cases
- Permit review is in place for any work requiring a building permit to preserve property

National Register of Historic Places

Listing on the National Register is conveyed by the National Park Service. A nomination is reviewed by the IHPA and the Illinois State Historic Advisory Commission and then recommended to NPS.

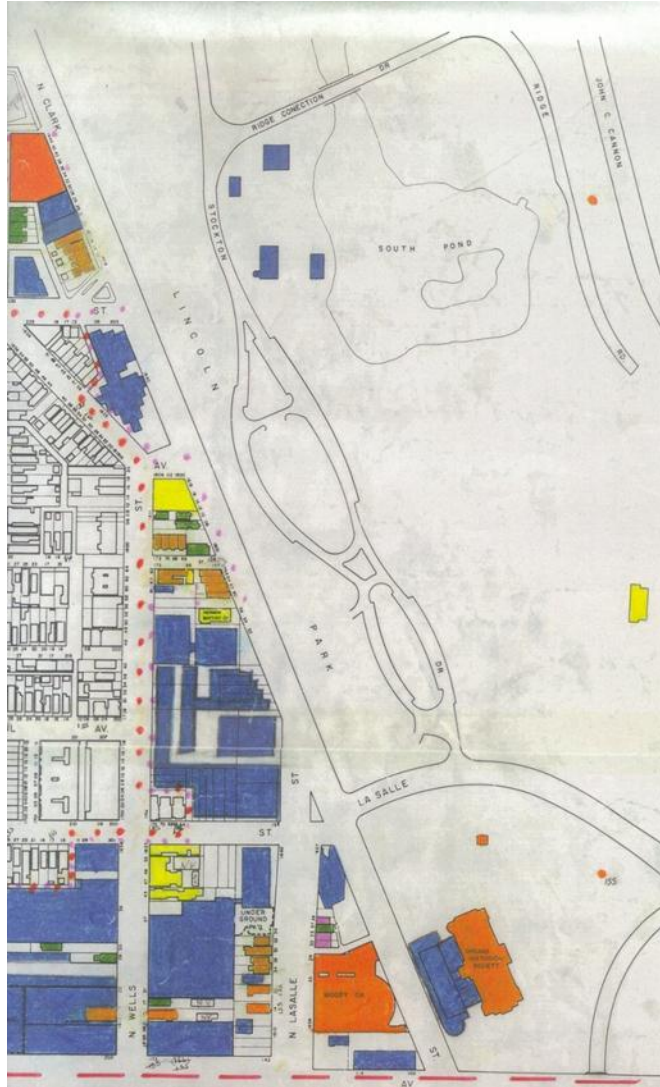
- Largely honorary, no permit review
- If a property takes advantage of historic incentives, a review process then kicks in
- A neighborhood district or an individual building may be listed on the Register

Historic Designations

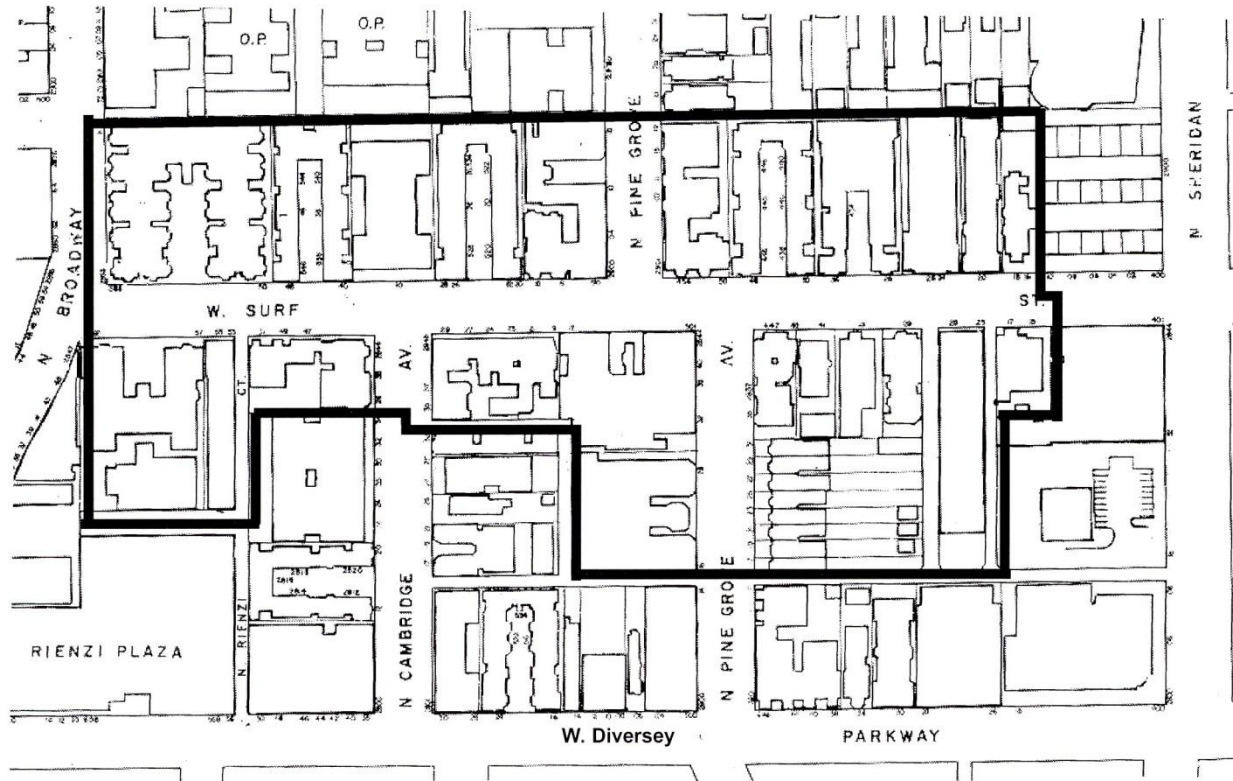


<https://gisapps.cityofchicago.org/zoning/>

'Orange-rated buildings' and 90-day demolition delay







Surf-Pine Grove District boundaries