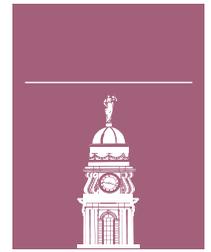


LANDMARKS PRESERVATION COMMISSION

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WHAT WE DO

The Landmarks Preservation Commission (LPC) designates, regulates and protects the City's architectural, historic and cultural resources, which now number 1,355 individual landmarks and more than 33,000 properties in 114 historic districts and 22 extensions to existing historic districts. The Commission reviews applications to alter landmark structures, investigates complaints of illegal work and initiates action to compel compliance with the Landmarks Law.

FOCUS ON EQUITY

LPC focuses on equitable and inclusive service delivery through its education and outreach efforts in communities across all five boroughs. These efforts include holding community meetings to inform diverse stakeholders—including residents, property owners, business owners and community boards—about the landmark designation process and its regulatory impact. The Commission is also implementing multi-lingual education campaigns to serve those same audiences. The agency works with applicants from all backgrounds including homeowners, commercial property owners and small businesses, retail tenants, developers, institutions and City agencies to provide technical advice and expedite applications related to improvements and alterations to landmark properties. An agency grant program provides funding to low-income applicants to assist with building repairs. LPC seeks to preserve historic resources that represent a diversity of cultures, historical periods and neighborhoods to tell the story of the development of New York City.

OUR SERVICES AND GOALS

SERVICE 1 Identify and protect qualifying architectural, historical, cultural and archaeological assets in all five boroughs.

- Goal 1a Identify and designate as landmarks, eligible individual buildings, interiors, scenic landmarks and historic districts.
- Goal 1b Facilitate appropriate work on landmark buildings through technical assistance and timely issuance of permits.
- Goal 1c Increase compliance with landmark regulations.
- Goal 1d Evaluate potential impacts to archaeological resources in a timely manner.

HOW WE PERFORMED IN FISCAL 2015

SERVICE 1 Identify and protect qualifying architectural, historical, cultural and archaeological assets in all five boroughs.

Goal 1a Identify and designate as landmarks, eligible individual buildings, interiors, scenic landmarks and historic districts.

In Fiscal 2015, the Commission designated 11 individual landmarks and four historic districts, for a total of 2,013 buildings and sites, more than any year this century. Among the new individual landmarks is the Stonewall Inn, one of the most important sites associated with lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender (LGBT) history in New York City and the nation. Four new historic districts were designated, including Chester Court in Brooklyn. The designation of Crown Heights North III in Brooklyn, Central Ridgewood in Queens, and the Riverside Drive-West End Avenue Extension II in Manhattan capped off multi-year efforts to landmark large areas within each of these neighborhoods.

Performance Indicators	Actual					Target		Desired Direction	5yr Trend
	FY11	FY12	FY13	FY14	FY15	FY15	FY16		
★ Individual landmarks and historic districts designated	40	36	20	11	15	20	20	Neutral	Down
★ - Total number of buildings designated	1,528	1,040	1,408	324	2,013	*	*	Neutral	Neutral

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Goal 1b Facilitate appropriate work on landmark buildings through technical assistance and timely issuance of permits.

The number of work permit applications received in Fiscal 2015 was consistent with Fiscal 2014. The Commission withdrew a backlog of inactive applications in Fiscal 2015, contributing to the 17 percent increase in the number of actions taken on work permit applications during the year. In Fiscal 2015, improperly filed Expedited Certificate of No Effect applications caused some delay in processing due to the different filing requirements and review for these types of permits. However, the Commission's Permit Application Guide, published in 2013, led to an increase in filing of complete applications and eliminated delays previously caused by requests for additional information, as evidenced by continued faster permit issuance for Certificates of No Effect and Permits for Minor Work.

Performance Indicators	Actual					Target		Desired Direction	5yr Trend
	FY11	FY12	FY13	FY14	FY15	FY15	FY16		
★ Work permit applications received	10,753	11,823	11,886	13,235	13,273	*	*	Neutral	Up
★ Actions taken on work permit applications received	11,738	11,238	11,767	13,176	15,446	*	*	Neutral	Up
Certificates of No Effect issued within 10 days (%)	85%	80%	87%	94%	91%	85%	85%	Up	Up
Expedited Certificates of No Effect issued within two days (%)	100%	92%	100%	97%	90%	100%	100%	Up	Neutral
Permits for minor work issued within 10 days (%)	81%	81%	83%	91%	92%	*	*	Up	Up

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Goal 1c Increase compliance with landmark regulations.

Enforcement Department performance was on par with Fiscal 2014. Sixty percent of investigations resulted in enforcement action. The number of warning letters issued, which is complaint-driven and determined by the amount of illegal work found, decreased just two percent in Fiscal 2015, to the level of Fiscal 2013.

Performance Indicators	Actual					Target		Desired Direction	5yr Trend
	FY11	FY12	FY13	FY14	FY15	FY15	FY16		
Number of complaints received	725	670	815	875	772	*	*	Down	Up
Investigations completed	927	796	806	783	755	*	*	Neutral	Down
Enforcement actions taken: Total warning letters, NOVs, and stop work orders issued	1,111	1,100	1,030	993	1,014	*	*	Neutral	Down
Violations admitted to or upheld at the Environmental Control Board (%)	NA	79%	87%	97%	98%	*	*	Up	NA

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Goal 1d Evaluate potential impacts to archaeological resources in a timely manner.

In Fiscal 2015, the Commission received eight percent more archaeological applications than in the previous fiscal year, and 97 percent of those applications were reviewed within 10 days, exceeding the target.

Performance Indicators	Actual					Target		Desired Direction	5yr Trend
	FY11	FY12	FY13	FY14	FY15	FY15	FY16		
Archaeology applications received	273	283	242	284	308	*	*	Neutral	Up
Archaeology applications reviewed within 10 days (%)	96%	96%	96%	98%	97%	85%	85%	Up	Neutral

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AGENCY CUSTOMER SERVICE

Performance Indicators	Actual					Target		Desired Direction	5yr Trend
	FY11	FY12	FY13	FY14	FY15	FY15	FY16		
Customer Experience									
Letters responded to in 14 days (%)	87%	88%	88%	94%	85%	*	*	Up	Neutral
E-mails responded to in 14 days (%)	100%	98%	99%	100%	100%	*	*	Up	Neutral

AGENCY RESOURCES

Resource Indicators	Actual					Plan ¹		5yr Trend
	FY11	FY12	FY13	FY14	FY15	FY15	FY16	
Expenditures (\$000,000) ²	\$4.5	\$4.3	\$4.5	\$4.7	\$5.2	\$5.7	\$5.7	Up
Revenues (\$000,000)	\$2.4	\$4.7	\$5.4	\$6.4	\$6.9	\$5.0	\$4.0	Up
Personnel	53	58	64	64	71	76	73	Up
Overtime paid (\$000)	\$6	\$6	\$1	\$0	\$7	\$6	\$7	Down

¹Authorized Budget Level "NA" - Not Available in this report

²Expenditures include all funds.

NOTEWORTHY CHANGES, ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS

None.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

For additional information, go to:

- Press Releases (information on landmark approvals):
<http://www.nyc.gov/html/lpc/html/about/newsroom.shtml>

For more information on the agency, please visit: www.nyc.gov/landmarks.