

# Certificate of Appropriateness Major and Minor Alterations Chart

A Certificate of Appropriateness is not required for in-kind repair of materials which generally includes repair or replacement where there is no change in the design, materials, or general appearance of the structure, or to the interior of a structure. A Certificate of Appropriateness is required for other types of projects, including replacement of windows and doors, new construction, demolition, and relocation of a structure.

Minor Work requires review by Planning Division staff. If staff determines that the proposed work will have a significant visual impact from the public right-of-way or will have a significant impact on the integrity of the historic structure, the certificate of appropriateness shall be reviewed by the Historical Preservation Board.

Major Work shall require review by the Historical Preservation Board.

Proposed Work	Routine Maintenance	Minor Work	Major Work
	No COA Required	Staff-level COA	Board-level COA
Windows, Doors, Porches, Chimneys, Stoops, Handrails, and Skylights			
In-kind repair of  • windows  • doors  • porches	Х		
<ul> <li>chimneys, stoops and handrails</li> <li>skylights</li> </ul> In-kind replacement of A second the following for the second			
Any of the following features located on the rear elevation of a principal structure:  • windows		X	
<ul><li>doors</li><li>porches</li><li>chimneys, stoops and handrails</li><li>skylights</li></ul>			
In-kind replacement of Any of the following features located on the façade or side elevation of a principal structure:  • windows • doors			Х

• porches			
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chimneys, stoops and handrails			
skylights			
Other Façade or Elevation Changes,			
not including the above			
In-kind repair or replacement of			
<ul> <li>roofs, including eaves</li> </ul>			
architectural features other than			
those specifically called out	V		
<ul> <li>siding and masonry</li> </ul>	X		
<ul><li>stairs</li></ul>			
<ul> <li>finishes and surfaces</li> </ul>			
<ul> <li>painting of previously painted surfaces*</li> </ul>			
<ul> <li>awnings, canopies and shutters</li> </ul>			
exterior light fixtures			
Repair or replacement of any existing			
feature introducing new design			
elements minimally or not visible from		X	
the public right-of-way			
Repair or replacement of any existing			
feature introducing new design			Χ
elements visible from the public right-			
of-way			
Painting of materials not previously			
painted (including but not limited to			X
brick, stone, tile and masonry)			
New Construction and Additions			
Additions and new construction to a			
Principal Structure visible from the			X
public right-of-way			
Construction of a new Principal or			
Accessory Structure			X
Additions and new construction to a			
Principal Structure or Accessory		X	
Structure minimally or not visible from			
the public right-of-way			
Mechanical Equipment			
New rooftop or ground-mounted		X	
mechanical equipment			
Replacement rooftop or ground-		X	
mounted mechanical equipment			
Demolition and Relocation			
Demolition of a Principal Structure			Χ
Demolition of a Principal Structure  Demolition of a part of a Principal			X
Demolition of a Principal Structure  Demolition of a part of a Principal  Structure minimally or not visible from a		X	X
Demolition of a Principal Structure  Demolition of a part of a Principal  Structure minimally or not visible from a public right-of-way		Х	X
Demolition of a Principal Structure  Demolition of a part of a Principal  Structure minimally or not visible from a		Х	X
Demolition of a Principal Structure  Demolition of a part of a Principal  Structure minimally or not visible from a public right-of-way		X	
Demolition of a Principal Structure  Demolition of a part of a Principal Structure minimally or not visible from a public right-of-way  Relocation of a Principal Structure		Х	

New Accessory Structures			X
Changes to an accessory structure		X	
Site Improvements			
Changes, new work or demolition of:			
<ul><li>Landscaping</li><li>Sidewalks and patios</li><li>Fences and walls</li><li>Swimming pools, hot tubs</li></ul>	Х		
Interior Changes			
Any change to the interior of a structure	Χ		

<sup>\*</sup>Paint color of designated historic structures is not regulated by the city.

# **Definitions:**

# **Preservation**

The act or process of applying measures necessary to sustain the existing form, integrity and materials of an historic property. Work, including preliminary measures to protect and stabilize the property, generally focuses upon the ongoing maintenance and repair of historic materials and features rather than extensive replacement and new construction. New exterior additions are not within the scope of this treatment; however, the limited and sensitive upgrading of mechanical, electrical and plumbing systems and other code-required work to make properties functional is appropriate within a preservation project.

# Rehabilitation

The act or process of making possible an efficient compatible use for a property through repair, alterations and additions while preserving those portions or features that convey its historical, cultural or architectural values.

#### Restoration

The act or process of accurately depicting the form, features, and character of a property as it appeared at a particular period of time by means of the removal of features from other periods in its history and reconstruction of missing features from the restoration period. The limited and sensitive upgrading of mechanical, electrical and plumbing systems and other code-required work to make properties functional is appropriate within a restoration project.

# Reconstruction

The act or process of depicting, by means of new construction, the form, features, and detailing of a non-surviving site, landscape, building, structure or object for the purpose of replicating its appearance at a specific period of time and in its historic location.

# **Public Right-Of-Way**

Any street, avenue, boulevard, highway, alley, or public space which is opened or controlled by a public governmental entity.

# **In-Kind Replacement**

When the replacement material can be based on documentary or physical evidence of the original features, new work must match the old (both physically and visually) in material, design, scale, color, and finish. Additionally, the replacement of extensively deteriorated or missing components of features must also be based on surviving examples (when present) or documented research.