

Chapter 7, Building Accessories and Signs

Section:	C	Title:	Telecommunication Accessories	Source:	HPC Workshop
				Date:	3/22/18

Public Comment: Support for the changes that expand the definition of “telecommunication accessories” and seeks to move these items out of the visible streetscape.

Response: Noted.

Section:	D	Title:	Utility Boxes and Meters	Source:	HPC Workshop
				Date:	3/22/18

Public Comment: Noted supported for these items not being located on the front façade. However, can the Commission or staff take a larger role in the siting of utility boxes and meters? The City may be in a better position than the property owner.

Response: Staff has recently had meetings with several utility companies regarding the requirement to get HPC approval and compliance and communication has since improved. These efforts will continue. Ultimately, the property owner is responsible for compliance.

Section:	H	Title:	Exterior Lighting	Source:	Special NAC Workshop
				Date:	2/28/18

Public Comment: **(3) Attached fixtures-** Specifically mention “Arts & Crafts” and “Mission” style fixtures as not being permitted.

Response: Although exclusion of a particular style is not recommended, language was incorporated that addresses a fixture’s appropriateness for the style of the building.

Section:	H	Title:	Exterior Lighting	Source:	HPC Workshop
				Date:	3/22/18

Public Comment: **(3) Attached fixtures-** Elimination of “small in scale” and limitation of 16” would not be in keeping with the scale of larger buildings in the historic district.

Response: This section was edited to call for lights that are scaled appropriately for the building and streetscape.

Section:	H	Title:	Exterior Lighting	Source:	HPC Special Workshop
				Date:	2/15/18

Commissioner Comment: **(9) Artistic lighting**

- Consider making this section more lenient/permissive.
- Lighting intended to highlight architectural features should be differentiated from general floodlighting.
- Lighting can be used to enhance squares and the downtown.
- Should there be restrictions such as the business district?
- Environmental concerns and light pollution were noted as potential consideration.

Response: Language was added:

- That emphasizes highlighting architectural features over general floodlighting.

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- The supports use in public squares and plazas.
- The supports use in commercial, institutional and public buildings.

Section:	H	Title:	Exterior Lighting	Source:	HPC Special Workshop
				Date:	2/15/18

Staff Comment: (9) **Artistic lighting-** Should the scale/size of the building be a factor?

Response: Language was added supporting use at large scale commercial, institutional, and public buildings.

Section:	H	Title:	Exterior Lighting	Source:	HPC Special Workshop
				Date:	2/15/18

Staff Comment: (9) **Artistic lighting-** "negatively surrounding" needs to be changed to "negatively impact surrounding"- missing word

Response: This correction was made.

Section:	H	Title:	Exterior Lighting	Source:	HPC Special Workshop
				Date:	2/15/18

Public Comment: (9) **Artistic lighting**

- Do not loosen controls on lighting. Concerns about permitting up-lighting everywhere because it is a historic district of residential homes and has an impact on quality of life. Up-lighting needs to be reviewed on a case-by-case basis and cannot solely focus on economic development but residents also.
- Agrees with previous comments. Do not put commercial interests ahead of residents and keep this on a case-by-case basis.
- Against the expansion on up-lighting because it has a suburban feel. People can view the architecture during the day.

Response: This was addressed as noted in previous responses.

Section:	H	Title:	Exterior Lighting	Source:	HPC Workshop
				Date:	3/22/18

Public Comment: (9) **Artistic lighting**
Expansion to permit artistic lighting is positive. However, it only allows it on public buildings and monuments. Consider adding "and appropriate public spaces" to the list.

Response: This was addressed as noted in previous responses.

Section:	H	Title:	Exterior Lighting	Source:	HPC Workshop
				Date:	8/23/18

Commission Comment: (9) **Artistic lighting-**
Clarify building types where artistic lighting would be permitted. Concern noted about use of "large scale" as descriptor. Provide a photograph or example of what is intended by "artistic lighting."

Response: Language was amended to reference "historic building type" to include commercial, institutional, industrial, and places of workshop. Use of "large scale" was eliminated. A photograph and caption was provided.

Section:	J	Title:	Signs	Source:	HPC Special Workshop
				Date:	2/15/18

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Public Comment: Agreement with the proposed expansion of this section.

Response: Noted.

Section:	J	Title:	Signs	Source:	HPC Workshop
				Date:	3/22/18

Public Comment: Concerns expressed over the expansion of the definition of historic signage as it relates to creating confusion for the customer of the modern retailer while having a historic storefront sign. Can the scale of the signage be a consideration in this category? The concern is not large painted signs or signage above the first floor. The concern is limiting opportunities of the first floor tenant to fully express what their business is (which is the key to their success).

Response: Previously there was no definition of “historic sign” which provided for no reasonable expectation for applicants or guidance to the Commission in evaluating requests to remove signs. Providing a definition does not change how historic signs are reviewed or expand the scope of review authority. Examples of historic signs are drawn from the *National Park Service Preservation Brief 25: The Preservation of Historic Signs*. This section was edited to address balancing historic and modern signage.

Section:	K	Title:	Historic & Commemorative Markers	Source:	Special NAC Meeting
				Date:	2/28/18

Public Comment: Provide more criteria, precision, and clarity to this section.

Response: This section was edited to provide more clarity.

Section:	L	Title:	Energy Conserving Features	Source:	HPC Workshop
				Date:	3/22/18

Public Comment: Clarify what is meant by integrating new construction shading devices into the overall design.

Response: This language was removed, as this section already provides clear guidance on this topic.

Section:	M	Title:	Miscellaneous Wall Features	Source:	HPC Special Workshop Special NAC Meeting
				Date:	2/15/18, 2/28/18

Public Comment: Ensure that various types of security features and devices are adequately addressed.

Response: It was determined that “security devices” encompasses all variety of security-related equipment sufficiently as written.

Section:	M	Title:	Miscellaneous Wall Features	Source:	HPC Special Workshop Special NAC Meeting
				Date:	2/15/18, 2/28/18

Commissioner Comment: Encourages language regarding security features being easily removable so that there is limited damage to historic material.

Response: Limiting damage to historic materials was already covered but it was noted that the installation of these items should be reversible whenever possible.