

Historic Designation in the City of Detroit

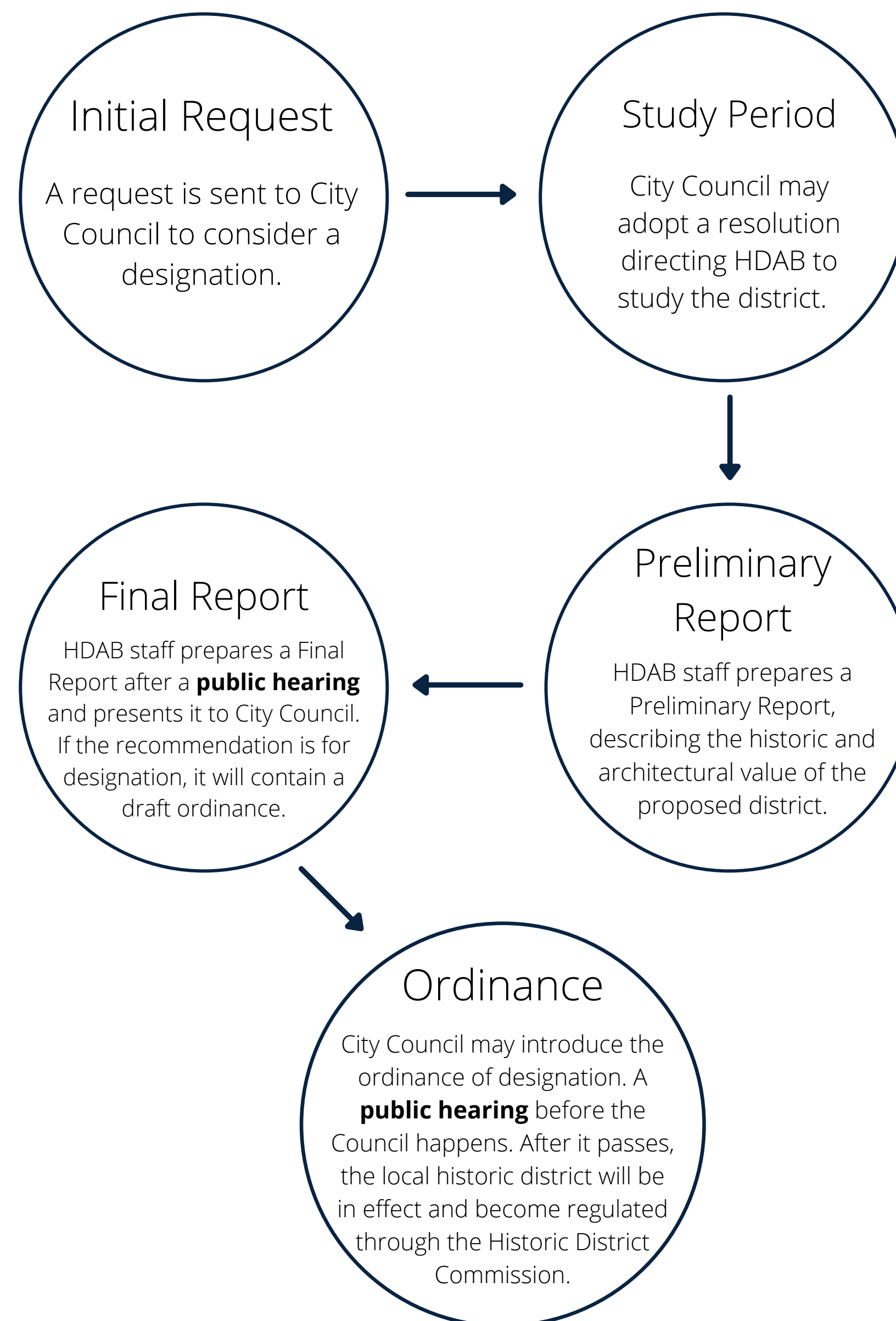
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WHAT IS THE HISTORIC DESIGNATION ADVISORY BOARD?

The Historic Designation Advisory Board (HDAB) was established by the City of Detroit's Ordinance 161-H of 1976, which sets up the procedures and regulations for historic preservation at the local level. The board's main function is to advise City Council on matters relating to historic preservation, most particularly in proposals for the designation of City of Detroit historic districts.



HOW DO I GO ABOUT GETTING A DISTRICT DESIGNATED?



WHAT CRITERIA ARE USED FOR THE EVALUATION OF PROPOSED HISTORIC DISTRICTS?

- (1) Sites, buildings, structures or archeological sites where cultural, social, spiritual, economic, political or architectural history of the community, city, state or nation is particularly reflected.
- (2) Sites, buildings, structures, or archeological sites which are identified with historic personages or with important events in community, city, state or national history.
 - (3) Buildings or structures which embody the distinguishing characteristics of an architectural specimen, inherently valuable as a representation of a period, style or method of construction.
- (4) Notable work(s) of a master designer or architect whose individual genius has influenced their age.