

HERITAGE HOME AWARD SELECTION GUIDELINES

The Heritage Home award is a public recognition of a remarkable family home and commemorates that home's contribution to the aesthetically and historically significant residential architecture of Woodland. The award is honorary and recognizes the home as a special community resource and recognizes those homes that have been well cared for or well restored.

Each year the Historical Preservation Commission considers nominations and selects 5 recipients. The awards are presented by the Commission to the then owners of the selected Heritage Homes. The award consists of a Certificate of Recognition and an attractive 7" x 10" oval bronze plaque from the Erie Landmark Company listing the year of construction of the home.

These guidelines are adopted by the Historic Preservation Commission to guide the public and future Commissions on the factors generally considered in determining the recipients of the Heritage Home Awards.

- I. **AGE/ARCHITECTURE:** Although no age or date of construction specifically limits designation of the Heritage Homes, historical significance is considered essential to eligibility. Other related factors are of secondary importance and include:
 - Anachronistic, visible, adornment.
 - Amendments required by building or fire codes, or general modernization, common to the home period, will not be considered disqualifying (i.e. indoor plumbing or cocking which were almost universal changes to all housing).
 - In general, color schemes that are appropriate to the date of construction, appropriate ornamentation, landscaping, out building and internal restoration are secondary considerations as the add or subtract from the presentation of the home.

- II. **LOCATION:** All "Heritage Homes" must be situation in the City of Woodland at he time of selection, as contrasted with the date of construction. Although, location is not in any other manner a criterion for selection, the Commission recognizes that there are areas of the City in which the historically and aesthetically significant architecture is more common than in other areas.

- III. **FAMILY HOMES:** The limitation of this award to family residences does not indicate an indifference to the significance of preservation of our architectural heritage through modification for commercial or professional use, such as multiple unit rentals, professional offices, or "bed and breakfast" restorations. Other awards, also presented by the Commission, recognize the restoration and preservation of historical buildings not being used as family residences.

PROCEDURES

The following are adopted as the procedures for the selection and presentation of the awards.

- Nominations can be made by any Commissioner, not exceeding five by each Commissioner.
- Nominations may be suggested by any other interested party and if the suggestion is concurred by two Commissioners, the home will be considered in the final selection process.
- Nominations shall be closed, except for good cause, at the close of the December meeting.
- The nominations shall be finalized at the January meeting.
- The February meeting shall be recessed to time and place for the Commission to meet as a committee of the whole to view the final nominations, and if necessary, discuss the specific houses.
- The selection shall be made at the February meeting of the Commission and presentations at either the April or May regular meeting, or if required by the agenda, at a special meeting called for that purpose in the month of May.
- The nomination shall be on the form provided by the Commission, if possible.
- Voting on final selections on each nominated house shall be in random order. If more than five houses receive a majority of votes a second vote shall be taken among houses receiving more than a majority of votes. The second vote shall be in writing. Each Commissioner shall vote for not more than five nominated homes. A majority of votes will be required to select the recipients. Each vote shall be read aloud by the Commissioner making the vote and recorded.
- The owner or owners of a selected home shall be contacted by the Commissioner who made that nomination after written notification by the secretary of the Commission and acceptance by the homeowner. Research at the Yolo County Archives may be required to determine the Date of Construction. The owners shall be interviewed, as needed, to prepare the citation that accompanies the Heritage Home Award. This shall be completed prior to the March meeting to give ample time for the editing and printing of the citation.

