

Munjoy Hill Neighborhood Organization

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Proudly serving Portland's Munjoy Hill neighborhood since 1979.

Council to Vote on Proposed Munjoy Hill Historic District on Nov. 16th

The City Council is now considering the proposed Munjoy Hill Historic District. The Council will have a workshop on Monday, November 9th at 4:30, and then will have a public hearing on Monday, November 16th. (The meeting starts at 5:30 but the agenda has not yet been posted.) The final vote is expected to be taken by the Council on November 16th.

The MHNO continues to be strongly IN FAVOR of the recommended historic district designation. It is an important way to protect the rich architectural heritage of Munjoy Hill, while thoughtfully managing change. We also believe it will help stabilize our neighborhood character and protect existing affordable housing.

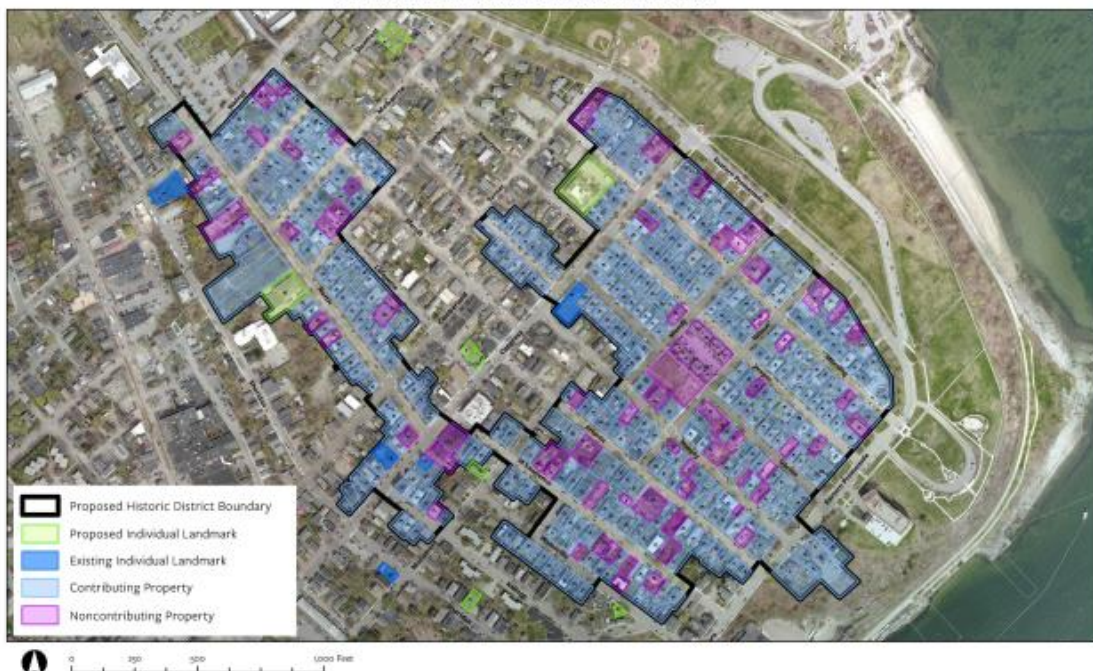
All Council meetings are held via zoom. Public spoken comment may be made during the November 16th meeting. Emailed comments, sent as soon as possible, are also a good way to voice your opinion.

We encourage you to send a short email of support AND to consider speaking during the public hearing on November 16th. Even if you have written to or spoken before the Historic Preservation Board or Planning Board, it is important for the City Council to hear from you too! This is the final step in the process.

Emails should be addressed to a City site and to the Mayor and each Councilor at the following addresses (you can do it all in 1 email):
planningboard@portlandmaine.gov; ksnyder@portlandmaine.gov;
bsr@portlandmaine.gov; sthibodeau@portlandmaine.gov;
nmm@portlandmaine.gov; pali@portlandmaine.gov;
jcosta@portlandmaine.gov; kcook@portlandmaine.gov;
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For more information, please visit our MHNO discussion at <https://www.munjoyhill.org/new-page> or visit Greater Portland Landmarks for much more detailed information about Munjoy Hill at <https://www.portlandlandmarks.org/munjoy-hill>. (The zoom links for the workshop and the public hearing will be available at the City's: <https://www.portlandmaine.gov/129/Agendas-Minutes> or at Greater Portland Landmarks' site at: <https://www.portlandlandmarks.org/munjoy-hill>.)

Proposed Munjoy Hill Historic District and Individual Landmark Designations
Per Historic Preservation Board Recommendation



ANNUAL DISTRICT 1 MEETING WED. DEC. 2ND

Mark your Calendar: The annual District 1 meeting with Councilor Belinda Ray and a variety of City staff is scheduled for Wednesday, December 2nd at 6:30 via zoom. This is your opportunity to speak about what neighborhood issues you think the City should be working on, and to have your City-specific questions answered. Want to know about a particular public works project? Wondering how newly enacted referendum policies are going to be translated into action? Want to express your appreciation for how the City has been responding to Covid-19 concerns? Something else entirely? This is your chance. Closer to the date, to get the zoom link go to: <https://www.portlandmaine.gov/129/Agendas-Minutes>.

PRESIDENT'S NOTE: *The next monthly business meeting of the 13-members of the Board of Directors of the MHNO will be held on Monday, December 7th at 6:00 p.m. It will be held remotely using Zoom. Please note that this is NOT the Annual Meeting of members, which is always held in June. If you are a member of the MHNO and are interested in sitting in on the Board of Director's meeting, please send an email to info@munjoyhill.org and request that you be emailed a link to the December MHNO Board of Director's meeting.*

As the weather turns colder, we are hoping to stay engaged with our members in a safe, socially distanced way. Any ideas are welcome. Please send me an email with suggestions! I anticipate that the popular first Friday monthly Masks and Music socially-distanced gatherings will resume in the spring.

Stay safe and be well!

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