

FREDERICKSBURG HISTORIC RESOURCES SURVEY UPDATE AND PRESERVATION ORDINANCE REVIEW

KEY SERVICES

- Multi-Phase, City-Wide Survey
- Completion of Historic Resources Surveys
- Re-evaluation and Reassessment of Previous Surveys
- Historic District Recommendations
- Preparation of Preservation Ordinance
- Database Development and Management
- Integration with GIS
- Coordination with Local/Municipal Government



LOCATION

Fredericksburg, Texas

CLIENT

City of Fredericksburg

DATES

2006

HHM conducted a multi-phase survey for the City of Fredericksburg to update its historic resources survey of 1983. During the first phase of the project, HHM completed comprehensive documentation of all resources—regardless of age—within the existing boundaries of the NRHP-listed Fredericksburg Historic District. HHM also evaluated properties adjoining the district and documented and assessed the most significant historic properties elsewhere in the city. HHM surveyed a total of 916 buildings and recommended that the existing historic district be expanded to include an area to the southeast of the original boundaries. In addition, HHM recommended the creation of a separate residential historic district north of the already designated district. In conjunction with the historic resources survey update, HHM also reviewed and proposed changes to the City's historic preservation ordinance. The

Historic Review Board and the City Council accepted the revisions and adopted the ordinance.

Under a separate contract, the City hired HHM to undertake supplemental field investigations and specifically targeted historic resources from the 1983 survey that had not been re-evaluated during the 2002-2003 update. HHM also reassessed seven areas that the 1983 survey identified as having potential for historic district designation. In total, the survey's second phase documented and assessed 343 properties and recommended the designation of two new local historic districts. Upon completion of all recordation and analysis tasks, HHM then produced a project survey report and developed a Microsoft Access database that could be used to link with the City's existing GIS database.