



Five properties in Pasadena have already achieved National Historic Landmark status. Two of these properties, the Rose Bowl and the David B. Gamble House, are owned by the City. The other three properties are the Hale Solar Laboratory, the Space Flight Operations Facility (JPL) and the Space Simulator (JPL).

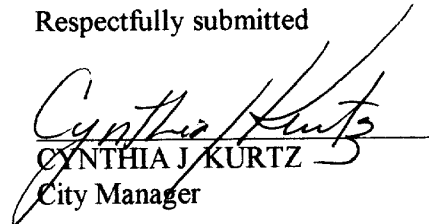
The effect of designation as a National Historic Landmark is discussed in the attached excerpt from the Code of Federal Regulations, 36 CFR Part 65 (Attachment B). National Historic Landmark designation of the Pasadena City Hall will not impose additional restrictions on changes to or projects involving the building. Federal review procedures (Section 106), which are implemented if federal funding is used for a construction project, also remain the same. The Section 106 procedure, which considers the impact of federally-funded projects on historic resources, applies to a property that is listed in the National Register, is a National Historic Landmark or is eligible for National Register designation. Compliance with Section 106 ensures that federal funds do not have a negative impact on a historic resource, regardless of whether or not a building has obtained formal designation. NHL designation does not affect local review procedures by the Design and Cultural Heritage commissions.

An excerpt from the NPS "Questions & Answers" about NHL designation provides additional information (ATTACHMENT C). In summary, NHL designation does not affect ownership of a property; it does not obligate an owner to make specific changes to a property or to follow advice by the NPS on changes (unless changes are federally funded, licensed or permitted); it does not require that a property be open to the public. Benefits of NHL status that are not available to other historic properties are: priority funding opportunities; a bronze display plaque provided by the NPS; and, additional technical and information services provided by NPS staff.

#### FISCAL IMPACT:

When designated a National Historic Landmark, the building may be eligible for benefits not available to other historic properties; e.g., enhanced opportunities for grant money and technical assistance from National Park Service staff.

Respectfully submitted

  
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ATTACHMENT A: Resolution

ATTACHMENT B: 36 CFR Part 65, "Effects of Designation"

ATTACHMENT C: Question & Answers from NPS