

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to A.C.A. §14-172-207 "Establishment of historic districts", the Harrison Historic District Commission will hold a public hearing at **5:30 PM (local time), Thursday, January 8, 2026** in the Council Chambers inside City Hall (118 Industrial Park Road, Harrison, AR 72601).

The purpose of the hearing is to present the Commission's report and recommendation to establish a Local Ordinance District for the Harrison Courthouse Square Historic District and to receive input from local officials, stakeholders, and the public. Establishment of a Local Ordinance District would empower the Harrison Historic District Commission with design review authority within the district. Such design review authority would apply to major exterior alterations, additions, and new construction within the district. Design review authority would not apply to ordinary maintenance and repair of exterior features within the District which do not involve a change in design, materials, or outer appearance. Additionally, design review authority would not apply to interiors of buildings or how a property is used.

The boundary of the proposed Local Ordinance District is the same as the original Harrison Courthouse Square Historic District listing on the National Register of Historic Places (1999). The Local Ordinance District includes an area bounded by the alley south of W. Stephenson and E. Central on the south, the alley to the west of N. Willow on the west, the south one-half and northwest quarter of the block bounded by W. Rush, N. Willow, N. Main and W. Ridge, the south side of E. Rush to its intersection with N. Walnut where it turns and runs south along N. Walnut to the intersection with Central Avenue where it turns to run west along Central to S. Main then turning north to the point of beginning at the alley south of the 100 block of West Stephenson.

Legal description of the proposed District is as follows: Block 1; Block 2; Lots 8, 10, & 12 of Block 3; the East Half and Southwest Quarter of Block 4; Lots 9, 10, 11, & 12 of Block 5; the East Half of Block 6; lots 1 & 3 of Block 7; the North Half of Block 8; Block 9; and Lots 7, 9, & 11 of Block 14 of the Original City of Harrison.

A copy of the Commission's draft report and additional information can be on the City's webpage at the following link: www.harrisonar.gov/page/HistoricDistrict. Written comments can be submitted to the Department of Public Works via email to wphillips@harrisonar.gov or via US mail to P.O. Box 1715, Harrison, AR 72602.

Adv. Dates: 12-10-2025, 12-17-2025, & 12-24-2025