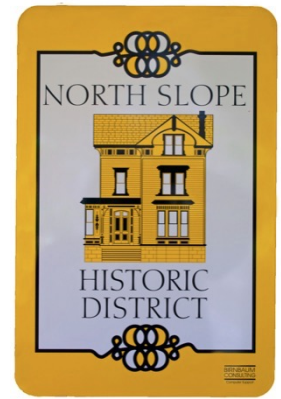


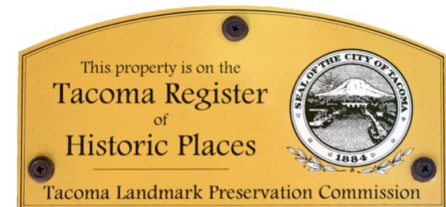
# THREE TYPES OF HISTORIC DISTRICTS FOR THE NORTH SLOPE HISTORIC DISTRICT

There are three types of historic districts in North Slope Historic District: the Tacoma City District, the Washington Heritage Register and the National Register. The North Slope Historic District is listed on three registers. Historic districts are places that have been determined to possess special character, and related development patterns that convey the architecture of certain areas during specific periods of time.



## Tacoma City Register

On the City level, historic districts are listed on the Historic Register through a nomination process. Nominations to the Register must be approved by the Landmarks Commission and then referred to the Planning Commission for additional review if the nomination is for an historic district. It is the Planning Commission that recommends to the City Council that the historic district be formed. The North Slope Historic District did this three times, once for the formation of the original North J. St. district, and two more times for the two expansions.

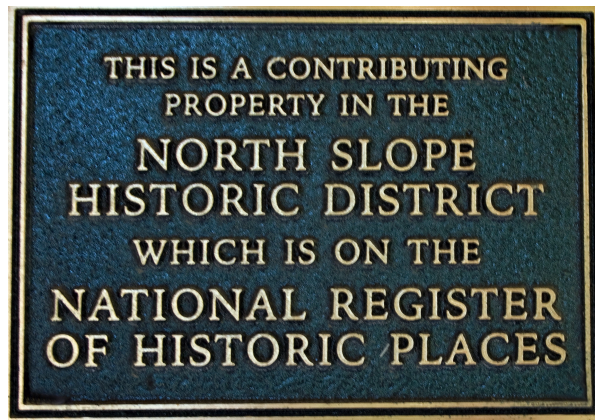


The overlay for the NSHD grants protections by implementing a design review process requiring Landmarks Commission approval of changes to the exterior of a property, or demolition of it. Further protection for NSHD was acquired by changing the zoning to HMR-SRD, a single-family zoning category promoted by NSHD, Inc.

## Washington Heritage Register

Areas that are listed on the Washington State Heritage Register must be nominated and approved by the Governor's Advisory Council on Historic Preservation. The NSHD was nominated and approved and put on the register in 2003. Listing on the state level grants no protections and makes no restrictions.





## National Register of Historic Places

The National Park Service is the keeper of the National Register of Historic Places. The States help the NPS with the review process, and in our state it is done by the Department of Archeological and Historic Places. Nominations, like the one for the NSHD, are first reviewed on the state level and then forwarded to the Federal Advisory Council on Historic Preservation for review. Listing on the National Register of Historic Places is an honor for outstanding properties and districts, but grants no protections and makes no restrictions.

Note: All of Tacoma's Historic Districts, and a brief description of each, can be found at:  
[http://www.tacomaculture.org/historic/resource/HP\\_Pub\\_Historic\\_Districts.pdf](http://www.tacomaculture.org/historic/resource/HP_Pub_Historic_Districts.pdf)