



## ROCKTON HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

110 E. Main Street

Rockton, Illinois 61072

### HISTORIC DISTRICT APPLICATION FORM

*Please read the instructions on how to complete this form before actually filling it out.* Type all entries or print clearly in black ink. If you wish to complete the form on your own computer, request one from the office of the Planning & Development Administrator and the blank form will be e-mailed to you.

#### 1. Name of District

Historic name

Other names

#### 2. Location

#### 3. Classification

##### Ownership

- Private
- Public (Village)
- Public (other than Village)
- Public and private

##### Number of Resources

###### Contributing

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

###### Noncontributing

\_\_\_\_ buildings  
\_\_\_\_ sites  
\_\_\_\_ structures  
\_\_\_\_ objects  
\_\_\_\_ TOTAL

Primary use(s):

#### 4. Period of Significance

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Application Status (to be filled out by RHPC staff)

Date received \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Planning & Development Admin. review \_\_\_\_\_

Public hearing date(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Date of RHPC action \_\_\_\_\_

RHPC action \_\_\_\_\_ Date submitted to the Village Board \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Village Board action \_\_\_\_\_ Village Board action \_\_\_\_\_

5. Owner(s) of Property

List on separate page(s).

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

7. Description

Provide a narrative description of the proposed district on one or more separate pages, numbering them as "Description, page 1" and so on. *See the instructions for a complete listing of what needs to be included in the description.*

8. Significance

Check the criteria which apply in this case:

- A. Significant value as part of the historic, heritage and cultural characteristics of the community, county, state or nation.
- B. Its identification with a person or persons who significantly contributed to the development of the community, county, state or nation.
- C. Representative of the distinguishing characteristics of architecture inherently valuable for the study of a period, type, method of construction or use of indigenous materials.
- D. Notable work of a master builder, designer, architect or artist whose individual work has influenced the development of the community, county, state or nation.
- E. Its unique location or singular physical characteristics that make it an established or familiar visual feature.
- F. Its character as a particularly fine or unique example of an utilitarian structure, including but not limited to farmhouses, gas stations, or other commercial structures, with a high level of integrity or architectural significance.
- H. Area that has yielded or may be likely to yield information important in prehistory or history.

In addition to the above criteria, there are additional historic district criteria:

- I. The proposed Historic District contains one or more landmarks along with such other buildings, places or areas within its definable geographic boundaries which, while not of historic significance to be designated as landmarks, nevertheless contribute to the overall visual characteristics of the landmark or landmarks located in such District.
- J. At least 50% of the structures meeting any of the standards under Landmark Designation Criteria.
- K. Establishing a sense of time or place unique to the Village of Rockton.
- L. Exemplifying or reflecting the cultural, social, economic, political or architectural history of the nation, state, county or community.

*Provide a narrative statement of significance on one or more separate pages, being sure to include a statement for each of the categories you have checked above. Number these pages "Significance, page 1" and so on. See the instructions for a complete listing of what needs to be included in this section.*

## 9. Major Bibliographical References

Cite the books, articles and other sources used in preparing this application. Use additional pages if necessary.

10. Geographical Data

Define and explain the boundaries of the proposed district. Include in this section:

- ♦ A verbal description of the boundaries;
- ♦ A legal description of the boundary; and
- ♦ An explanation of how the boundary was selected.

11. Form Prepared By

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name/Title/Organization

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
Daytime telephone number and e-mail address

12. Signature

I hereby affirm that this application and all information submitted with it are true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I agree that this application and all information submitted with it become the property of the Village of Rockton. I understand the Rockton Historic Preservation Commission will be responsible for recording the historic district status of the properties within the district at the Office of the Winnebago County Recorder using part of the filing fee to pay for the expense.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

13. Petition

Each application must include with it a petition signed by the owners of over 50% of the parcels proposed to be included in the district. The petition is to indicate their support of creation of a district, as well as their understanding of what that entails, and is to be on the form provided by the Rockton Historic Preservation Commission.

14. Map

Attach a map showing the boundaries of the proposed district and the location of all buildings and structures in the area subject to this application. These should be drawn as much to scale as possible. A current aerial photograph of the district may be used for this purpose if boundaries are clearly identified, and streets clearly labeled.

## 15. Photographs

Applications must include photographs of the proposed district. These should show the exterior of any buildings or structures as they are seen from a public right-of-way (including alleys and the Rock River where applicable) from as many perspectives as possible. See instructions for completing the application for specific directions concerning photographs.

## 16. Filing Fee

There is a \$50 filing fee for the proposed district as a whole, plus \$15 per parcel within the proposed district. [For the purposes of this application, each lot with its own PIN number is considered a parcel.](#) The nonrefundable fee is used to pay for the required legal notice in the newspaper, and for recording at the Winnebago County Recorder's Office. Checks should be made out to the Village of Rockton.

## 17. Design Guidelines

Exterior changes to properties within historic districts designated by the Village of Rockton are subject to design review and approval by the Rockton Historic Preservation Commission. This review is based on the Commission's *Design Guidelines for Historic Properties in Rockton*. Rockton's historic preservation ordinance gives applicants the option of proposing customized design guidelines for use by the Commission in reviewing work within that particular district. Any such proposed guidelines should be submitted with the application to create the district.