The Future of Historic Buildings in Dallas

Welcome

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Why Preserve Historic Buildings?

- Provides a visual connection to the past.
- Tells a story about a community, person, or event.
- Adds to a sense of place and uniqueness.
- Helps the local economy with tourism, jobs, and improved property values.

Dallas Downtown National Register District

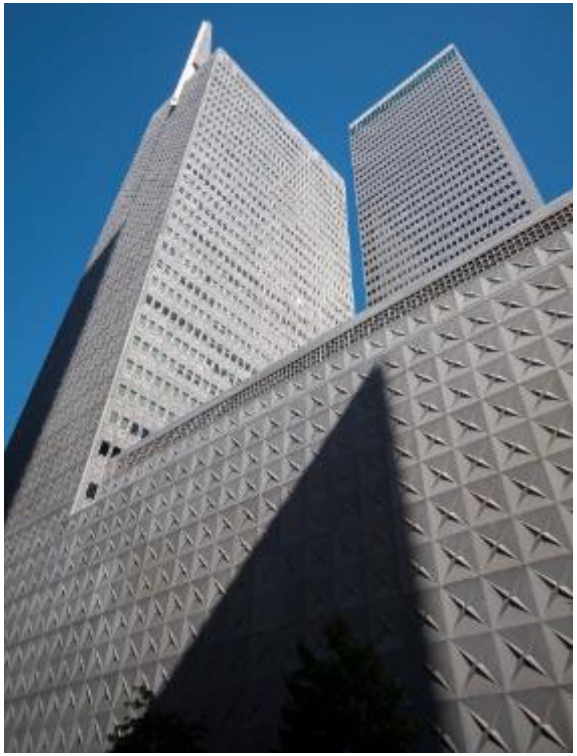
DOWNTOWN DALLAS NATIONAL REGISTER:
CONTRIBUTING BUILDINGS

Dallas Downtown National Register District

U.S. Post Office - 1930

Mosaic – 1952, 1960

Wilson Building - 1903



Republic Center - 1954

Dallas Downtown National Register District

Lone Star Gas – 1931, 1966

211 N. Ervay -

Statler Hilton - 1956

LTV Building - 1961

Dallas Downtown National Register District

$308,016,646

Completed Projects since 2001

$255,775,000

Current Projects Underway

Protections for Historic Buildings in Dallas

City of Dallas Landmark Structure

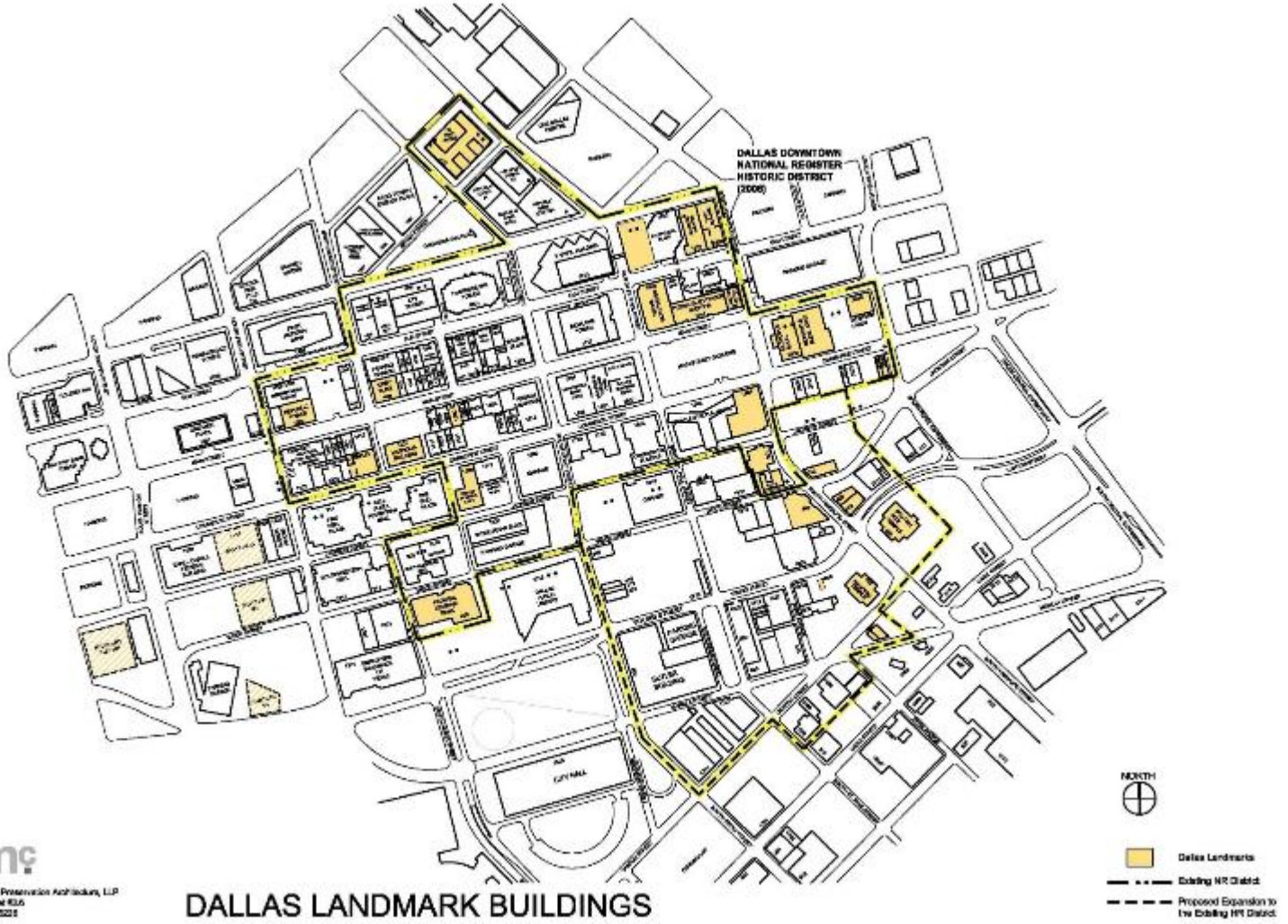
– Over 120 Landmark Structures

City Dallas Landmark District

– 21 Landmark Districts

- Each district has unique preservation criteria that regulates exterior alterations and demolition
- Requires review by staff for routine maintenance or by the Landmark Commission for exterior alterations or demolition

Protections for Historic Buildings in Dallas



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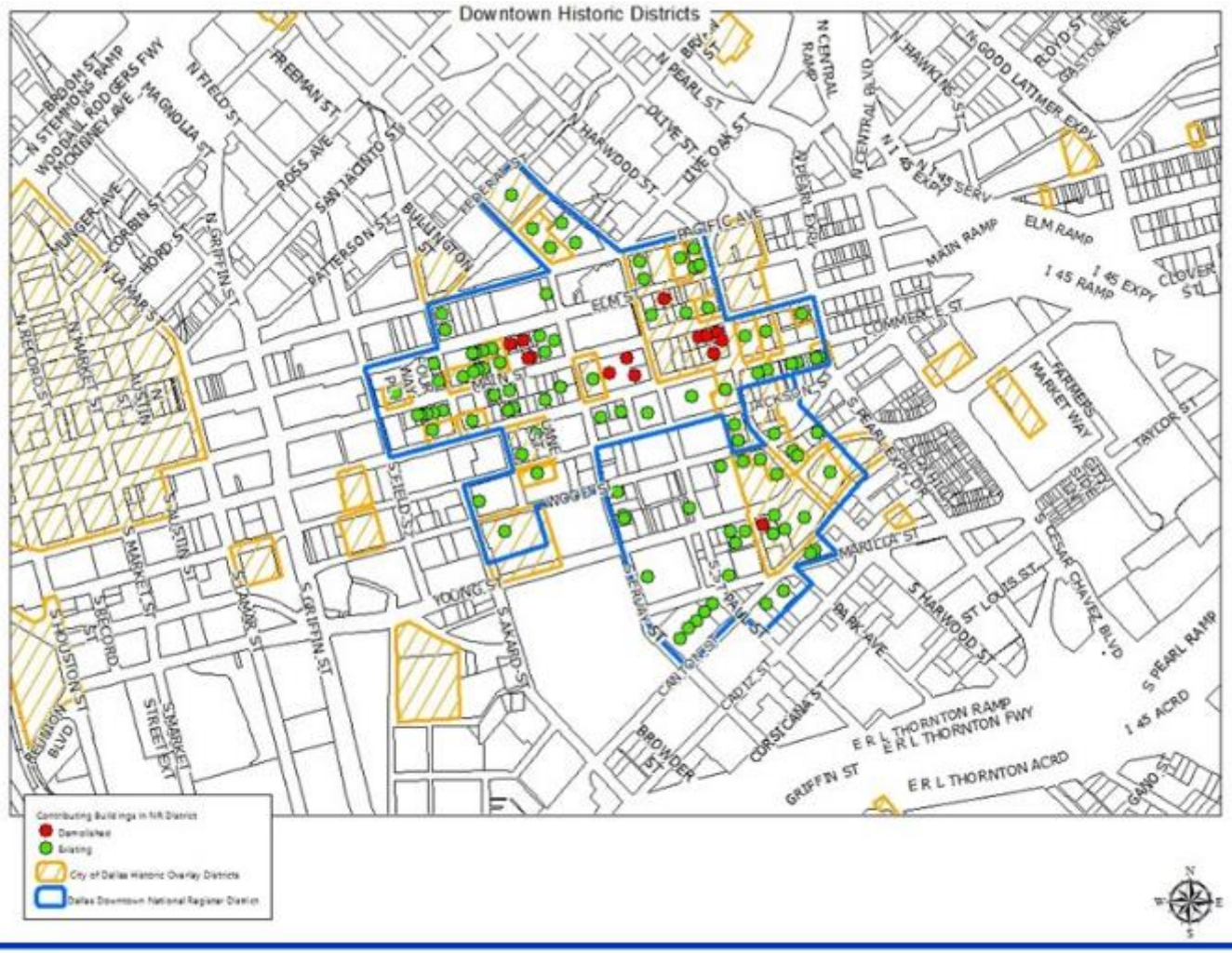

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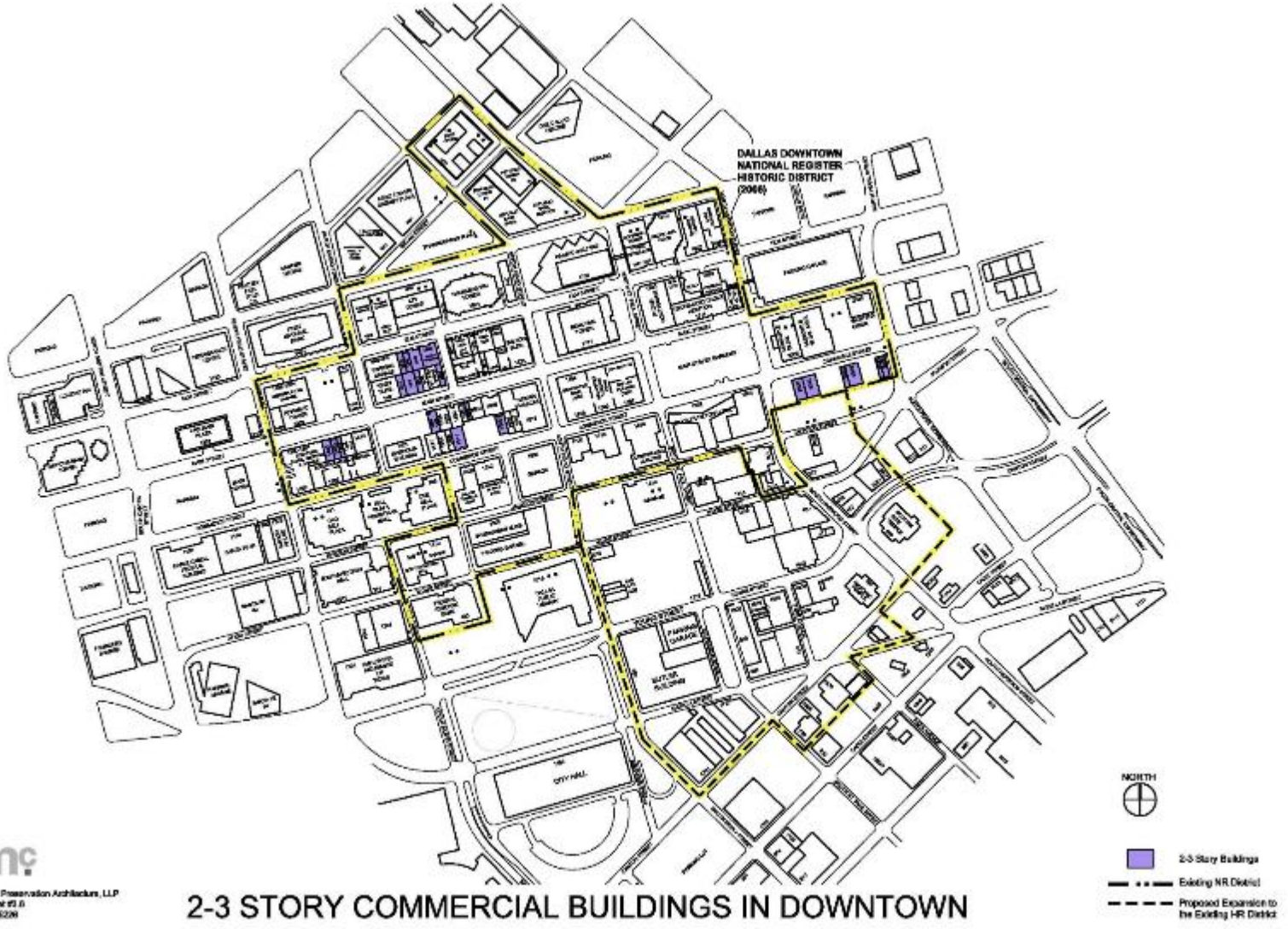

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Statler Hilton - 1956

Wilson Building - 1903

Neiman Marcus - 1914

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Continental Building – 1948, 1958

Desco Tile Co. - 1930

Gulf States – 1927, 1935

Panel Discussion

Bob Meckfessel – DSGN Associates, Panel Moderator

- **Beth Wiedower – National Trust for Historic Preservation**
- **Katherine Seale – Chair, Dallas Landmark Commission**
- **Marcel Quimby – Quimby McCoy Preservation Architecture, LLP**
- **Mark Doty – City of Dallas, Preservation Texas**
- **Greg Brown – Dallas Center for Architecture**

City of Dallas Landmark Structures in Downtown

- Adolphus Hotel
- Booker T. Washington H.S.
- Busch/Kirby Building
- Dallas High/Crozier Tech
- Dallas Power & Light
- Davis Building
- Higginbothan – Bailey Building
- Interurban Building
- Magnolia Building
- Majestic Theater
- Merchantile National Bank
- Old City Hall
- Plaza Hotel
- Republic Bank Tower
- Santa Fe #1 & #2
- Scottish Rite Cathedral
- Union Station

Historic Buildings to Protect in Downtown

- Continental Building
- Dallas Civic Arena
- Desco Tile Co.
- 211 North Ervay
- Gulf States
- Juanita Building
- LTV Building
- Neiman Marcus
- Statler Hilton
- Wilson Building

Others??

Action Plan

- New Preservation Plan
- Provide additional protections at the city level for buildings on the National Register of Historic Places
- Better Economic Incentives for Historic Buildings
- More Preservation Staff

Comments

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Thank You

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