



LANDMARKS PRESERVATION COMMISSION

Robert B. Tierney, Chair

Key Public Service Area

- ✓ **Preserve the City's architectural, historical, cultural and archeological assets.**

Scope of Agency Operations

The Landmarks Preservation Commission (LPC) designates, regulates and protects the City's architectural, historic and cultural resources, which now number 1,294 individual landmarks and more than 29,000 properties in 106 historic districts and 16 extensions to existing historic districts. The Agency reviews applications to alter landmark structures, investigates complaints of illegal work and initiates action to compel compliance with the Landmarks Law.

Critical Objectives

- Identify and designate eligible individual landmarks, interior landmarks, scenic landmarks and historic districts.
- Provide technical assistance and timely permit issuance for work on landmark buildings.
- Increase efficiency and compliance with landmark regulations.
- Review potential impacts to archeological resources.

Preliminary Performance Highlights

- During the reporting period the Commission designated three historic districts and seven individual landmarks for a total of 173 buildings. LPC's focus on preserving historic resources in all five boroughs continued with the landmark designation of the Wallabout and Borough Hall Skyscraper Historic Districts in Brooklyn and the Grand Concourse Historic District in the Bronx.
- The Commission received a record high number of permit applications during the reporting period, resulting in a slight increase in processing times for permits.
- Although the number of complaints remained stable, the number of warning letters issued increased, reflecting the citation of multiple violations on buildings.



Performance Report

✓ Preserve the City's architectural, historical, cultural and archeological assets.

Performance Statistics	Actual			Target		4-Month Actual	4-Month Actual
	FY09	FY10	FY11	Updated			
★ Individual landmarks and historic districts designated	40	40	40	20	20	12	10
★ - Total number of buildings designated	998	598	1,528	*	*	227	173
Percent of designation target achieved	200%	200%	200%	*	*	NA	NA
Work permit applications received	8,929	9,358	10,753	*	*	3,499	4,030
- Actions taken	9,107	9,274	11,738	*	*	3,483	4,003
Certificates of No Effect issued within 10 days (%)	92%	86%	85%	85%	85%	86%	77%
Expedited Certificates of No Effect issued within two days (%)	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	95%
Permits for minor work issued within 10 days (%)	90%	85%	81%	*	*	81%	78%
Investigations completed	1,215	1,165	927	*	*	300	297
★ Percent of investigations resulting in enforcement action	58%	64%	61%	*	*	69%	58%
Warning letters issued	1,011	1,275	752	*	*	265	285
★ Notices of Violation upheld at the Environmental Control Board (%)	98%	98%	97%	*	*	98%	98%
Archeology applications received	328	298	273	*	*	102	91
Archeology applications reviewed within 10 days (%)	96%	96%	96%	85%	85%	98%	98%

★ Critical Indicator "NA" - means Not Available in this report

Agency Customer Service

The Landmarks Preservation Commission provides service to its customers through its website and correspondence.

Indicator	LPC	Citywide	LPC	Citywide	LPC Change	Citywide Change
	Jul-Oct FY11	Jul-Oct FY11	Jul-Oct FY12	Jul-Oct FY12	Jul-Oct FY11 to FY12	Jul-Oct FY11 to FY12
Average response time for email correspondence (days)	2	5	1	8	-50%	60%
Average response time for letters/mail correspondence (days)	3	11	6	9	100%	-18%
Number of 311 inquiries (to MMR agencies)	351	2,467,532	249	2,245,344	-29%	-9%



311 Customer Service Center Inquiries

	Total Jul-Oct FY11	% of LPC Inquiries in Jul-Oct FY11	Rank in # of Calls in Jul-Oct FY11	Total Jul-Oct FY12	% of LPC Inquiries in Jul-Oct FY12	Rank in # of Calls in Jul-Oct FY12
Top LPC-related Inquiries						
<i>Landmark and Historic District Information</i>	178	51%	1	107	43%	1
<i>Landmark Building Alteration Permit</i>	117	33%	2	102	41%	2
<i>Apply for Grant to Restore a Landmark</i>	9	3%	5	14	6%	3
<i>Landmark Building Alteration Complaint - Painting</i>	18	5%	4	14	6%	4
<i>Apply for Landmark Status</i>	29	8%	3	12	5%	5

Agency Resources

Agency Resources	A c t u a l			September	Updated		4-Month	4-Month
	FY09	FY10	FY11	2011 MMR FY10	FY12 ¹	FY13 ¹	Actual FY11	Actual FY12
<i>Expenditures (\$ millions)²</i>	\$4.6	\$4.6	\$4.5	\$4.8	\$4.8	\$4.7	\$1.4	\$1.4
<i>Revenues (\$000)</i>	\$2,470	\$1,252	\$2,400	\$2,585	\$2,684	\$2,889	\$695	\$1,475
<i>Personnel</i>	62	60	53	67	67	67	58	54
<i>Overtime paid (\$000)</i>	\$0	\$4	\$6	*	*	*	\$0	\$1

¹ January 2012 Financial Plan

"NA" - Not Available in this report

² Expenditures include all funds. January Plan figures reflect modifications in Federal, State, and other non-City funding since the adoption of the 2012 budget.

Noteworthy Changes, Additions or Deletions

None

For more information please visit the website at: www.nyc.gov/landmarks

