

Department of Natural Resources
State Historic Preservation Office
FINAL PROJECT REPORT

Project No.: P23AF00890-007

Project Title: City of Columbia Historic Preservation Plan

	<u>Budgeted</u>	<u>Amended</u>	<u>Actual</u>
Federal Share: \$	15,000.00	\$ 13,035.90	\$ 12,937.43
Local Match: \$	10,000.00	\$ 8,690.60	\$ 8,624.95
Total Project Costs: \$	25,000.00	\$ 21,726.50	\$ 21,562.38

Amendments with Approval Dates: Terms & Conditions revised 5/22/2025
Budget revised 9/15/2025

Project Description: The City of Columbia will hire a 36 CFR 61 qualified preservation professional to create a preservation plan for the city. The public will be given a chance for input through several meetings. SHPO will review the drafts and final product to ensure that it follows SOI Standards and guidelines.

Project Results: The City of Columbia procured a 36 CFR 61 qualified preservation professional for the purpose of creating a preservation plan for the city. The Historic Preservation Commission held 3 public input sessions and invited public comment on the plan at each of their monthly meetings throughout the grant cycle. The Commission was able to gather several suggestions, and continues working to address a number of issues that were identified with the various plan components presented by the consultant. The historic background component will be rewritten by a local historian, and the overview of past preservation efforts in Columbia will be expanded with improved descriptions of significant efforts and include more data from our 2012 study on the economic impact of historic preservation to emphasize the importance of preservation. Additionally, the Commission will continue synthesizing public input to formulate recommendations for future ordinance development, continue prioritizing areas for future architectural surveys, creating a long-range preservation vision, and generating specific goals and objectives in the plan.

City staff anticipates presentation of the final draft preservation plan in early 2026, with potential adoption in late spring.

Certification:

I certify that work under this subgrant (or Grant Agreement) has been accomplished according to applicable laws, regulations, the Secretary of the Interior's Standards, 2 CFR 200, and the terms and conditions of the applicable HPF grant.

Signature: 

Date: 9/19/2025