

Potential Expansion of the “H” Historic Preservation Overlay District

The historic warehouse/mill area shown on the following pages contains a grouping of several early 20th century (1910-1920) commercial brick buildings that were constructed as part of McKinney's early commercial history when agriculture and the railroad were the major driving forces in McKinney's economy. They are complementary to the buildings located west of State Highway 5 which constitute the core of McKinney's historic downtown area.

Though several of the buildings in the historic warehouse/mill area have national or state historic designation, they are not protected by our local historic preservation zoning districts. This is important because, without local protection, our community's historic character and sense of place in the warehouse/mill area are at significant risk through inappropriate exterior treatments or demolition.

The public input process of Phase 1 of the Town Center Study Initiative focused significantly on the warehouse/mill area. As a result, the Town Center Study Vision calls for several key concepts for the area, including:

- Protecting the unique character of the warehouse/mill area so that it can eventually serve as the anchor of the future transit village and an authentic regional destination.
- Encouraging the adaptive reuse and rehabilitation of the historically significant buildings in the warehouse/mill area.
- Maintaining and enhancing the defined street edge along Virginia and Louisiana Streets in order to bolster east-west pedestrian connectivity between the downtown square, the future transit village, and Old Settlers Park.







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Virginia St

Louisiana St

Throckmorton St

State Highway 5 (McDonald St)



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