

Dear Reviewer:

The City of Williams Historic Preservation Commission is seeking public comments on a Draft Design Guide for the Williams Historic Business District. The historic downtown of Williams was first inventoried in 1979 and listed on the National Register of Historic Places on 1983. The City of Williams (City) entered into the Certified Local Government Program in 1986 and established a Historic Preservation Commission (Commission) in 1990 that consists of members of the Williams community. In the fall of 2018, the Commission applied for and received a Federal Pass-Through Grant from the Arizona State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) to let out a contract to update the Design Guide for the Historic Business District. The purpose of this Design Guide is to provide comprehensive guidance to the City, Commission, land owners with in the historic district and the greater community of Williams on how to maintain the historic integrity, and preservation, of the architectural heritage of the Williams Historic Business District. The Design Guide includes the following:

- An brief overview of the history of the district
- Lists the current defining historic features of the district
- Lists design guidelines for various architectural features including windows, doors, roofs, signs, and paint colors.
- Guidance for new construction
- Sustainability considerations
- Cyclical maintenance and repair considerations

Comments on the Draft Design Guide should be submitted to the **front desk at Williams City Hall, or emailed to the addresses listed below, by August 16, 2019**. Comments can be made using the form this is included with the draft document package, in a letter format or written on a hard copy of the Draft Design Guide. **Hand written comments must be legible and please make sure to include the line and page number if commenting using a separate document.** All public comments will be collated and reviewed. Please insure that the comments are relevant to the contents of the draft guide. Digital copies of the Draft Design Guide are available at <https://bit.ly/2LzlsuR> or on the City of Williams Website at <https://williamsaz.gov>. A hard copy of the Draft Design Guide is also available at the Williams City Library.

If you have any questions about the guide or the public comment process please address them to Tim Pettit (928) 635-4451 ext208, tpettit@williamsaz.gov or Margaret Hangan (760) 455-3024, shrineinfo@yahoo.com.