

Historic Hutchinson

To restore, to preserve, and to protect the living and structural history and spirit of the Hutchinson area and to showcase these assets now and for the future.

Criteria for listing on Historic Hutchinson Registry of Significant Places

Must meet at least one of these qualifying criteria

Required

- ❖ The structure or property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to local history.

Example: Dakota Uprising of 1862: Library Square and Harrington-Merrill House.

- ❖ The structure or property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our community's past.

Example: The birth home of Ancher Nelsen who headed up the department that implemented the Rural Electrical Act that brought power to homes across America.

- ❖ The structure or property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, method of construction, or represents the significant work of a local builder or architect.

Example: Merton S. Goodnow House, 446 Main St. S., built in 1913. This home was placed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1985 for its prairie-style architecture. Designed by well-known architects Purcell and Elmslie, it was patterned after Frank Lloyd Wright's Ladies Home Journal plan of 1906, which is described as "A fireproof home for \$5,000."

- ❖ A religious structure or property deriving primary significance from architectural, artistic distinction, or historical importance.

Example: The former Episcopal Church at the corner of Second Avenue and Hassan Street is significant because it is the oldest church structure in Hutchinson.

- ❖ A birthplace or grave of a historical figure of outstanding importance if there is no structure or property directly associated with his/her productive life.

Example: Hutchinson founder Asa Hutchinson is buried at Oakland Cemetery. (The oldest grave in Oakland Cemetery dates to 1857).

- The structure or property should reflect the original architectural character.
- Additions and alterations to the structure or property are acceptable as long as the original architectural character has not been compromised.
- The structure or property shall not exhibit signs of deferred maintenance which threatens the economic life of the structure or property.
- The structure or property should be a model of how we wish to have Hutchinson's historic structures or properties cared for.

