

WHAT IS THE NATIONAL REGISTER?

Established by the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, the National Register of Historic Places is the official list of historic properties that have been recognized as significant in American history, architecture, archaeology, engineering, or culture. The Division for Historic Preservation of the Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation (also known as the State Historic Preservation Office or SHPO) coordinates the National Register program in New York State as well as the parallel State Register program.

Properties can be listed in the National Register as individual buildings/structures or as historic districts. Districts are groupings of properties such as residential neighborhoods, commercial downtowns, and industrial complexes. District boundaries are drawn based on a number of factors, most importantly the history of the neighborhood and the "historic integrity" (how intact the historic appearance is) of the buildings within the proposed boundaries.



Photo: East side of Ninth Avenue, between West 38th and West 39th Streets, 1932 compared to 2020 (Source: MCNY and Anthony Robbins)

COMMUNITY INFORMATIONAL MEETING

Wed., October 27, 2021, 6:30-8:30pm for property owners

Hosted by CHDC & Hudson Yards/Hell's Kitchen Alliance (HYHK)

Zoom link: shorturl.at/fnuMY



Wed., November 17, 2021, 6-8pm for community members

Hosted by CHDC and Manhattan Community Board 4

Zoom Link: shorturl.at/zDNT0



You are invited!

Please join us for a community meeting to discuss the proposal to create a National Register Historic District in Hell's Kitchen, covering Ninth Avenue between West 35th and West 40th Streets and portions of surrounding blocks.

Who should attend?

Neighborhood residents, tenants, property owners, businesses, and community leaders who would like to learn about new opportunities provided by National Register listing.

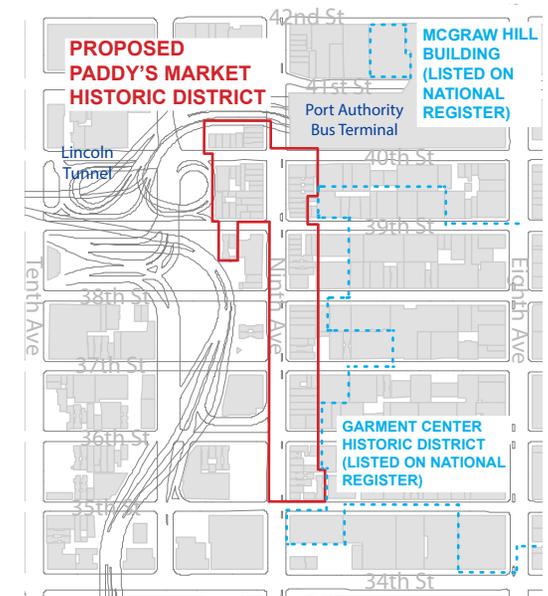


Photo: Tavola 488 9th Ave, 2021

(Source: Hell's Kitchen Neighborhood Coalition)

PROPOSED PADDY'S MARKET NATIONAL REGISTER HISTORIC DISTRICT

PROPOSED BOUNDARY



Local information contact

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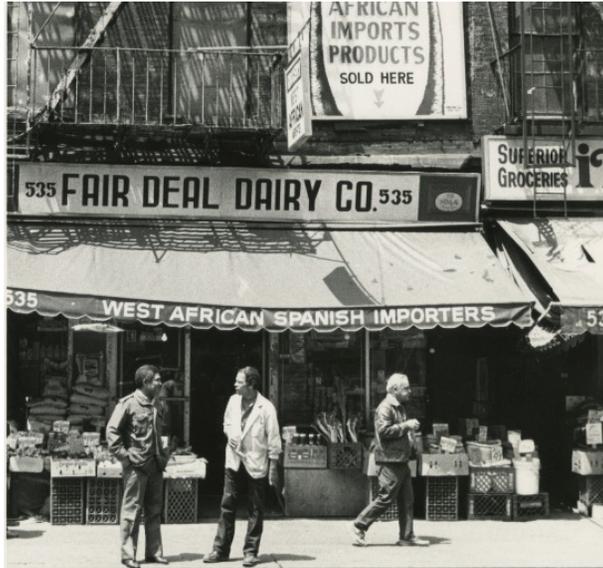
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OVERVIEW



Clinton Housing Development Company (CHDC) a not-for-profit community-based organization dedicated to building and preserving affordable housing in Clinton/Hell's Kitchen, is proposing to nominate Paddy's Market, a stretch of Ninth Avenue that was once one of the best-known pushcart markets in Manhattan, to be listed as a historic district on the State and National Register of Historic Places. The proposed Historic District would include nine block fronts on either side of Ninth Avenue between West 35th and West 40th Streets and portions of surrounding blocks.

Originally, Paddy's Market was located beneath the Ninth Avenue Elevated Railroad (the "El"), the city's oldest elevated line, constructed in 1867 and survived, in part, until 1958. Though officially closed in 1938, Paddy's Market still has several legacy stores purveying food to the Clinton/Hell's Kitchen community.

Photo: Fair Deal Dairy, 535 Ninth Ave. 1985
(Source: Eugene Gordon)

OVERVIEW CONT.

The District boundaries are inclusive of the Ninth Avenue corridor, primarily on the east side of the Avenue but also on the west side, as well as the intact collection of extant tenements and other buildings on the side streets, which are associated with the history of Paddy's Market.

The proposed District would include nearly 80 buildings, most of them mid-to-late nineteenth-century pre-law or old-law tenements. In many cases, their storefronts remain intact, even as they continue to house food stores and restaurants.

At the public meeting on DATE, a presentation will be made on the history of the district, the boundaries, and the various benefits related being listed on the National Register. A presentation was given in December 2020 to Manhattan Community Board 4, that meeting recording on Youtube can be accessed at: shorturl.at/sAIQX

For information about the benefits of owning a contributing property in a National Register historic district, visit: shorturl.at/buHTX



Photo: Filipino Lou's Store, 1985
(Source: Eugene Gordon)



HISTORIC DISTRICT BENEFITS

- Tax Incentives—Historic Preservation Tax Credits
- Access to New York City, State and Federal Grants & Loans
- Heritage Tourism
- Identity and branding for economic development

Does this mean I won't be able to make changes to my building?

No, the National Register (NR) does not restrict what private property owners can do with their properties. As long as no state or federal funds or permits are being used, a property owner can alter or demolish a building listed on the NR. NR designation does not trigger local Landmark designation.

However, the proposed district is located within the Special Hudson Yards Zoning district, Hell's Kitchen Sub-district. Under that NYC zoning regulation, all residential buildings are protected from demolition. Residential buildings can be renovated, altered, or added to under that zoning provision.

Photo: People shopping at Ninth Ave Paddy's Market, 1920-1938
(Source: Irving and Sam Browning)