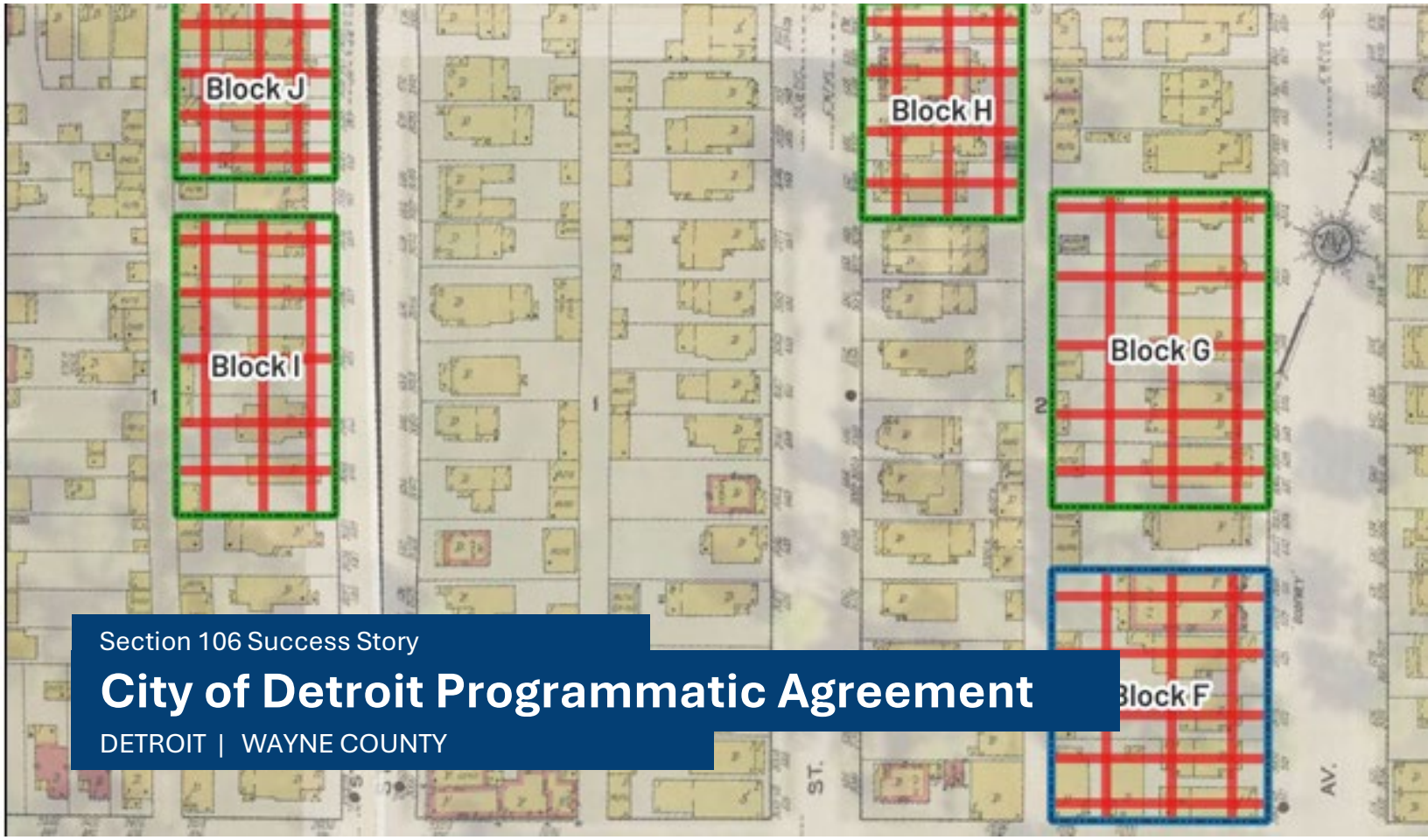


Section 106 Success Story

City of Detroit Programmatic Agreement

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In 2022, the City of Detroit thoughtfully renewed its programmatic agreement (PA) with the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) for handling of CBDG HUD projects. This longstanding PA ensures that qualified professionals within the City of Detroit work collaboratively with the Planning Department, Historic Designation Advisory Board, and local stakeholders on the rehabilitation and demolition of homes affordable housing city-wide. This renewed PA expanded the City's responsibilities, designating the City as the federal entity to initiate consultation to Tribal Historic Preservation Officers (THPOs) and other community stakeholders for a holistic approach to cultural resources across Detroit the city. Since the renewal, the City has made strides to expand archaeological resources in its consideration for undertakings with new construction. To date, three large archaeological historic districts have been identified in Detroit, resulting in recovery efforts prior to new construction that would have adversely effected the resources. These recovery efforts have revealed new insights to how Detroiters have lived throughout history. When historic structures are lost, their stories can only be captured through archaeology. Through a MOA between the City and Wayne State University, artifacts recovered from city owned properties through HUD funded projects are donated to WSU's Grosscup Museum of Anthropology. Reports written through these archaeological investigations are also provided to the SHPO. These efforts will benefit archaeology students and researchers for years to come.

The PA allows the city to retain preservation specialists in-house to give time and attention to developers/applicants. This puts a local face on local projects, and frees up capacity for SHPO and the federal agency to only be involved in the most complex projects.

LOCATION

Detroit, Wayne County

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

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FEDERAL AGENCY

Housing and Urban Development

PROJECT DATE

Ongoing