

**CITY OF CLEVELAND HEIGHTS
LANDMARK COMMISSION**

Minutes for the regular meeting of
July 6, 2022

At 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, July 6, 2022, a regular meeting of the Landmark Commission was held in the Executive Conference room in City Hall.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mazie Adams
Ken Goldberg (joined at 6:10 pm)
Tom Veider
Margaret Lann
Mark Souther
Benjamin Sperry
Jim Edmonson

MEMBERS ABSENT

STAFF PRESENT

BreAnna Kirk, Planner I

COUNCIL PRESENT

OTHERS PRESENT

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m.

**MINUTES OF THE MAY 5, 2022 LANDMARK COMMISSION
MEETING**

Approved with corrected text per request of Mr. Goldberg.

**MINUTES OF THE JUNE 30, 2022 SPECIAL LANDMARK
COMMISSION MEETING**

Approved as submitted.

STAFF REPORT

Potential Landmarks

Customized letters to potential Landmark property owners were mailed out. Ms. Kirk will present the potential Landmark, The Victorian, to the

Planning Commission next Wednesday and request their recommendation for designation.

Landmark Properties

An Architectural Board of Review (ABR) application was received for cellular antennas and related equipment at St. Paul's Church, 2747 Fairmount Boulevard. The Landmark Commission is invited to a joint meeting with the ABR on August 2, 2022, at 7:00 pm in Council Chambers.

Ms. Kirk is working with Peggy Spaeth and a sign company to order signs for the Bradford Cinder Path since the typical Landmark plaques would not work at this site. She said they were thinking of adding "Welcome to the Bradford Cinder Path, est. 1935. A Cleveland Heights Landmark." There is a sign option that is rounded at the top, and Mr. Souther suggested using this option and adding the Landmark seal that is found on the typical Landmark plaques. Using the seal would only require the sign to say "Bradford Cinder Path" since the seal establishes it as a Landmark. Ms. Adams said that this sign should be used as the basis for future Landmark District signs, and therefore should be replicable. The Commission was against listing a year on the sign for two reasons. First, it would be difficult to pick a year to use for the Bradford Cinder Path, and second, future Landmark Districts would not have one specific year associated with them. Ms. Kirk can issue a staff Certificate of Appropriateness for the signs if they go forward as discussed.

Ms. Kirk found a Landmark file for the MM Brown Crouse House at 2893 Euclid Heights Boulevard. The Landmark property was designated in 2016 but did not appear on any Landmark lists or in the Landmark brochure. Commissioners confirmed it was designated and this was an oversight.

National Register of Historic Places

The Stadium Square National Register District signs have been delivered and Ms. Kirk is coordinating their assembly and installation with the Public Works Department. There will be an unveiling ceremony.

Oakwood Drive National Register District signs are next and Ms. Kirk has already been in contact with the HOA. The name on the National Register Nomination is "Oakwood Club Subdivision" but the HOA would strongly prefer the signs to read "Oakwood Drive" instead. Since the

“club” is not within the district and the word “subdivision” does not have to be included, the Landmark Commission was okay with the preferred name. They agreed with the proposed sign placement at the alleyway entrance off Wood Road and the entrance near Wilmar.

Development Updates

Start Right Community Development Corporation is moving forward with site stabilization and construction for their first Neighborhood Redevelopment Program site at 961 Nela View Road. The other parcels received approval and they are working on site control. The Liberty Amato team is coming to the Planning Commission and ABR for two of the lots they are working on.

The Community engagement piece for the Taylor-Tudor buildings will be kicking off with a kiosk at the Cain Park Arts Festival this weekend. There will be further engagement with the community later this summer. In August, they plan to come to the ABR and Planning Commission for approvals for the rehabilitation of the Taylor-Tudor buildings. The Landmark Commission is invited to the ABR meeting to provide comments, though they do not have a formal role in the approval.

The City anticipates receiving revised Cedar-Lee-Meadowbrook plans in the near future that show the shift of the building to enable the pathway per Landmark Commission recommendation.

The City is applying for a brownfield grant to demolish the old Hillside Dairy building/former police annex. This will allow further visioning and thought about redeveloping the area.

OLD BUSINESS

Landmark Ordinance and Procedures

No updates.

Potential Landmarks

- 3417 Fairmount Boulevard: The Commission discussed names for potential Landmark 3417 Fairmount Boulevard. It will include the Collier family name, as they were the first owners. Ms. Lann suggested including the current owner’s name (St. Angelo) because of the work she has put into the house. The Commission agreed on the Collier-St. Angelo House as the final name. The floor was open for a public hearing, however, there were not any

members of the public present. The Landmark Commission did not have any discussion.

MOTION: Ms. Lann moved to designate the Collier-St. Angelo House at 3417 Fairmount Boulevard as a Cleveland Heights Landmark.

Seconded by Mr. Veider, the motion was unanimously approved.

- 3701 Mayfield Road, The Victorian Condominiums: Ms. Kirk, Mr. Edmonson, and Ms. Lann visited The Victorian on a site visit. The Commission will vote on this designation at their August 31st meeting, after the Planning Commission reviews the designation. The Victorian is holding a 50th-anniversary celebration on July 28th, 2022 and the Landmark Commission is invited.

Landmark Properties

Mr. Souther asked about the removal of the copper flashing at Cumberland Park. Ms. Kirk said the concern was sent to the City Administrator but she had not heard updates. She reached out prior to this meeting but has not heard back. Mr. Souther said there should be security cameras installed at the pool and the Commissioner agreed.

Preservation Activities and Lectures

Jessica Robinson has left Heights Libraries and there is a new contact, John Piche, who will be handling the local history programming for the rest of the year.

CH-UH Archives group/Cleveland Memory/Cleveland Historical

Mr. Goldberg said there is concern about a property at the SW corner of Superior and Hampshire Roads. It is said there are plans to divide the parcel and utilize it as an Air Bnb. Ms. Kirk said that the Planning Commission reviews lot subdivisions and the Zoning Code has strict Air Bnb regulations. She is not aware of any pending applications for this property.

National Register of Historic Places, District Updates

No updates.

Development Updates

No updates.

NEW BUSINESS

- Letter-Forest Hills

The Landmark Commission received a letter from The Forest Hill Historic Preservation Board of Trustees. It referenced a piece written by the Landmark Commission that referred to the Forest Hill Estate as

“the Homestead.” The Board asked if the Landmark Commission had evidence of this name being used by the Rockefellers, and if not, kindly requested a correction. Mr. Souther said it has been used colloquially, but Commissioners were not aware of any printed evidence. They will conduct research and Ms. Kirk will respond to the letter.

- Letter-HVAC

Kathleen and Dennis Barrie of 2 Herrick Mews sent a letter to the Landmark Commission and Architectural Board of Review. It raised concerns about roof-mounted HVAC systems, specifically at the College Club and Overlook Park developments. Ms. Adams said the Landmark Commission would not have looked at these elements because they are not visible from the public right-of-way. Ms. Kirk said that the College Club developer has agreed to screen the unit on the carriage house. Ms. Kirk and Ms. Adams will collaborate on a response.

- Grant Opportunity

Ms. Kirk came across a federal grant opportunity (P22AS00294) that would fund a National Register nomination for an underrepresented community. She asked if the Commission had ideas for a project that could qualify. While there were several possibilities, there were not any thought-out ideas, and with the deadline approaching and the competitive nature of federal grants, an application will not be submitted.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Commission adjourned at 7:00 p.m. The next regular meeting date will be Wednesday, August 31, 2022, at 5:30 p.m. in the Executive Conference Room, second floor of City Hall. [Meeting time and location may be subject to change due to Architectural Board of Review agenda.]

Respectfully submitted,

BreAnna Kirk, Secretary

Approved,

Mazie W. Adams 8/31/2022

Mazie Adams, Chair