

CITY OF CLEVELAND HEIGHTS LANDMARK COMMISSION

Minutes for the Regular Meeting of September 6, 2023

At 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, September 6, 2023, a regular meeting of the Landmark Commission was held in the Council Chambers in City Hall.

LANDMARK COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT

Mazie Adams
Danielle Cohen
Jim Edmonson
Ken Goldberg
Margaret Lann
Tom Veider

LANDMARK COMMISSION MEMBERS ABSENT

Benjamin Sperry

STAFF PRESENT

Eric Zamft, Director of Planning & Development
Brooke Siggers, City Planner I

COUNCIL PRESENT

None

OTHERS PRESENT

None

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:31 p.m.

MINUTES OF THE JULY 5, 2023 LANDMARK COMMISSION MEETING

Mr. Goldberg requested edits to the July 5, 2023 minutes. Mr. Edmonson made a motion to approve the May 4, 2023 minutes with the requested edits, seconded by Mr. Sperry, and unanimously approved with the requested corrected text of Mr. Goldberg.

STAFF REPORT

Landmark Ordinance and Procedures

Mr. Zamft discussed community members that should be contacted to assist in the Landmark Ordinance update. The Landmark Commissioners accept the Naylor-Wellman team as the best option of the Request for Proposal responses. The Landmark Ordinance Kick-off meeting is to start some time around October 5th, 2023 with the project culminating around April 15th, 2023. The Landmark Ordinance was last reviewed in 2019 and the Planning Department has wanted to update it for many years. In order to obtain Certified Local Government status, the Landmark Ordinance must contain certain components. The City hopes that the Landmark Ordinance update will assist in obtaining this status.

Potential Landmarks

Discussions regarding landmarking Fairmount Presbyterian Church are currently occurring. The City is also exploring ways in which Forrest Hill can be fragmented into smaller pieces so that the portion within Cleveland Heights can be landmarked. Mazie is going to review the letter that was sent to the Madison House, and it will be re-sent. The City is also looking into landmarking two (2) Dall-Mays homes.

Landmark Properties

Park Synagogue renovators' plans are still in review. Commissioners are curious to know what happened to the bricks that were previously at the Mayfield Road entrance. The Commissioners would also like to find a time to visit and view Stadium Square when the property owners are present. The newly erected signs look different than the previous signs. The City is open to considering budgeting for replacement signs that are more in line with neighboring properties. The City is also discussing establishing a corridor near Taylor Tudor.

National Register of Historic Places

No updates outside of the Staff Report.

Development/Planning Updates

The City's Landmark webpage needs to be updated soon to include new landmarks. Ms. Adams will continue to work with City Planner Brooke Siggers to identify new potential landmarks. The Historical Society should be following up with Mr. Goldberg in order to discuss the Cleveland Heights Superior Schoolhouse.

OLD BUSINESS

Landmark Ordinance and Procedures

No updates outside of the Staff Report.

Potential Landmarks

No updates outside of the Staff Report.

Landmark Properties

No updates outside of the Staff Report.

Preservation Activities & Lectures

Ms. Adams, Ms. Lann, Mr. Goldberg, and Director Zamft attended the 2023 Celebration of Preservation Awards held by the Cleveland Restoration Society.

CH-UH Archives Group/Cleveland Memory/Cleveland Historical

A Cleveland Memory Partners meeting was held on July 24th, 2023. There will be an upcoming copyright lecture as well.

There will be an event held on September 13th, 2023 about archiving family treasures, followed by another in November. There will also be an event on October 8th, 2023 about the history of the Coventry Peace Park. There will be an event on October 25th, 2023 about the historical connections between Jewish and African American communities. Danny Brown will also be holding an event educating attendees how to research their homes.

National Register of Historic Places, District Updates

No updates outside of the Staff Report.

Development Updates

The Taylor-Tudor project is continuing to advance. Two (2) community meetings were held in the past few weeks. New zoning updates are being considered.

TWG is continuing to pursue Planning Commission and Architectural Board of Review approvals in order to erect low-income apartment building in the Noble neighborhood. CIC is continuing to construct infill housing in the community.

Grant Updates

The City is looking into an NPS African American Civil Rights History Grant, but will no longer apply for the Ohio History Connection Fund Grant for this year.

NEW BUSINESS

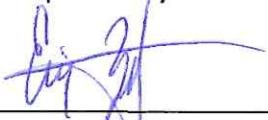
Local Landmark Recertifications

No updates outside of the Staff Report.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Commission adjourned 6:49 p.m. The next regular meeting date will be Tuesday, November 7, 2023, at 5:30 p.m. in the Executive Conference Room on the second floor of City Hall.

Respectfully submitted,



Eric Zamft, Acting Landmark Commission Secretary

Approved,



Mazie Adams, Landmark Commission Chair