

Historic Landmarks and Preservation Districts Commission Minutes

September 19, 2019

A meeting of the Louisville Metro Historic Landmarks and Preservation Districts Commission was held on Thursday, September 19, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. at the Old Jail Building located at 514 W. Liberty Street, Louisville, Kentucky.

Commission Members present:

Chris Hartman
Robert Kirchdorfer (arrived at approximately 9:10 a.m.)
Emily Liu
Jay Stottman
Stefanie Buzan
Amin Omidy
Joanne Weeter
Howard Rosenberg
Carrye Jones (arrived at approximately 9:05 a.m.)
Tamika Jackson (arrived at approximately 9:08 a.m.)

Commission Members absent (Excused):

Ashlyn Ackerman
Christopher Fuller

Staff Members Present:

Dave Marchal, Deputy Director. Develop Louisville
Joe Haberman, Planning & Design Manager
Cynthia Elmore, Historic Preservation Officer
Savannah Darr, Planning & Design Coordinator
Becky Gorman, Historic Preservation Specialist
John Carroll, Legal Counsel
Sue Reid, Management Assistant

The following matters were considered:

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES

AUGUST 29, 2019 HISTORIC LANDMARKS AND PRESERVATION DISTRICTS COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

00:02:34 Commissioner Weeter stated the Minutes give a bit more weight to those against the local landmark designation, and requested the Minutes be amended to give equal weight to all persons who spoke at the hearing.

The Historic Landmarks & Preservation Districts Commission, by general consensus, agreed to defer approval of the Minutes from the August 29, 2019 Historic Landmarks & Preservation Districts Commission meeting to the next meeting, and that the Minutes be amended to reflect a more balanced approach to the testimony made by those for and opposed.

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PUBLIC HEARING

CASE NUMBER 19DESGNATION1000

Request: Individual Landmark Petition
Project Name: Holy Name Complex Designation Request
Request: 2914 S. 3rd Street and 2911 S. 4th Street
Jurisdiction: Louisville Metro
Council District: 15-Kevin Triplett
Case Manager: Savannah Darr, Planning & Design Coordinator

The draft designation report prepared for this case was incorporated into the record. The Commissioners received this report in advance of the hearing, and this report was available to any interested party prior to the public hearing. (The draft designation report is part of the case file maintained at Planning and Design Services offices, 444 South 5th Street.)

An audio/visual recording of the Historic Landmarks and Preservation Districts Commission meeting related to this case is available on the Planning & Design Services website, or you may contact the Customer Service staff to obtain a copy.

00:06:07 Commissioner Stottman stated he was not in attendance at the last meeting, but he has reviewed the testimony in full and is well apprised of the proceedings (see recording for detailed presentation).

Agency Testimony:

00:07:10 Savannah Darr advised the Commissioners of additional information that has been provided to them for review (see recording for detailed presentation).

The following spoke in favor of the petition:

Ann Ramser, 307 East Kenwood Drive, Louisville, KY 40214

Summary of testimony of those in favor:

00:07:55 Ann Ramser spoke in favor of the petition. Ms. Ramser spoke in regard to the economic hardship exemption as well as the lack of attempt to sell or lease the property. Ms. Ramser spoke in regard to lack of maintenance of the property (see recording for detailed presentation).

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The following spoke in opposition of the petition:

Jon Baker, 500 W. Jefferson St., Suite 2800, Louisville, KY 40202

Father Bill Bowling, 501 Cherrywood Rd., Louisville, KY 40207

Brian James, 8213 Twin Lakes Ct., Louisville, KY 40214

Summary of testimony of those in opposition:

00:21:47 Jon Baker spoke in opposition of the petition and showed a Powerpoint presentation. Mr. Baker spoke in regard to changing needs of the parish as well as efforts to maintain to property. Mr. Baker reviewed the economic hardship exemption (see recording for detailed presentation).

00:41:29 Father Bill Bowling spoke in opposition of the petition (see recording for detailed presentation).

00:47:54 Brian James spoke in opposition of the petition (see recording for detailed presentation).

Public speakers:

Todd Underhill (did not provide address)

Summary of testimony of public speakers:

00:53:39 Todd Underhill spoke in favor of the petition (see recording for detailed presentation).

Additional testimony of petitioner:

00:58:06 Ann Ramser spoke in regard to the economic hardship exemption (see recording for detailed presentation).

Public speakers:

Mike O'Leary, 19636 Payne St., Louisville, KY 40206

Megan Gerdes, 7376 Wolfspring Trace, Louisville, KY 40241

Heath Seymour, 631 S. 5th Street, Louisville, KY 40202

Suzanne Rose, 2233 Bank Street, Louisville, KY 40212

Erick Gerdes, 7376 Wolfspring Trace, Louisville, KY 40241

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Teresa Grant, 509 W. Kenwood Drive, Louisville, KY
Sue Hill, 4018 S. 2nd Street, Louisville, KY 40214
Mary Purple, 4121 Browns Ln., Unit A8, Louisville, KY 40220
Tom Head, 2900 S. 5th Street, Louisville, KY 40208
Martina Kunnecke, 311 Northwestern, Louisville, KY 40212
Don Hill, 4018 S. 2nd Street, Louisville, KY 40214
Marianne Zichur, 4119 S. 2nd Street, Louisville, KY 40214
Ken Herrington, 2218 Grove Hill Pl., Louisville, KY 40207
Jeff Underhill, 3185 Lexington Rd., Louisville, KY 40206
Brian Maguire, 1006 Carlisle Ave., Louisville, KY 40214
Eileen Murphy, 5611 Carolyn Way, Louisville, KY 40219
Bill Weyland, 5300 Indian Woods Dr., Louisville, KY 40207
Keith Runyon, 1400 Willow Ave., Louisville, KY 40204
Tony Tricase, 4518 Southern Pkwy., Louisville, KY 40214

Summary of testimony of public speakers:

01:02:04 Mike O'Leary spoke in favor of the petition (see recording for detailed presentation).

01:03:23 Megan Gerdes spoke in opposition of the petition (see recording for detailed presentation).

01:06:07 Heath Seymour spoke neither for nor against the petition (see recording for detailed presentation).

01:07:19 Suzanne Rose spoke in favor of the petition (see recording for detailed presentation).

01:09:52 Erick Gerdes spoke in opposition of the petition (see recording for detailed presentation).

01:12:17 Ann Ramser stated Teresa Grant was called in to work. Ms. Ramser read a note prepared by Ms. Grant in favor of the petition (see recording for detailed presentation).

01:12:44 Sue Hill spoke in opposition of the petition (see recording for detailed presentation).

01:15:05 Mary Purple spoke in favor of the petition (see recording for detailed presentation).

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01:18:01 Tom Head spoke in opposition of the petition (see recording for detailed presentation).

01:21:54 Martina Kunnecke spoke in favor of the petition (see recording for detailed presentation).

01:24:25 Don Hill spoke in opposition of the petition (see recording for detailed presentation).

01:26:33 Marianne Zichur spoke in favor of the petition (see recording for detailed presentation).

01:29:55 Ken Herrington spoke in opposition of the petition (see recording for detailed presentation).

01:31:54 Jeff Underhill spoke in favor of the petition (see recording for detailed presentation).

01:35:28 Brian Maguire spoke in opposition of the petition (see recording for detailed presentation).

01:38:01 Eileen Murphy spoke in favor of the petition (see recording for detailed presentation).

01:39:51 Bill Weyland spoke neither for nor against the petition (see recording for detailed presentation).

01:42:25 Keith Runyon spoke neither for nor against the petition (see recording for detailed presentation).

01:44:02 Tony Tricase spoke in opposition of the petition (see recording for detailed presentation).

REBUTTAL:

01:46:26 Ann Ramser spoke in rebuttal (see recording for detailed presentation).

01:51:21 Jon Baker spoke in rebuttal (see recording for detailed presentation).

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01:57:04 Commissioners' deliberation

02:04:37 A motion was made by Commissioner Jackson that Case Number 19DESGNATION1000 be postponed for a few months so the property may be made available to receive offers and alternatives for purchase, preservation, and other proposed use. The motion failed for lack of a second.

02:23:43 On a motion by Commissioner Stottman, seconded by Commissioner Weeter, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLVED, the Louisville Metro Historic Landmarks and Preservation Districts Commission in Case Number 19DESGNATION1000 does hereby **APPROVE** the Individual Landmark Petition and the Draft Designation Report, with emphasis on the integrity meeting Criteria A, B, D, and E.

The vote was as follows:

Yes: Commissioners Jackson, Jones, Weeter, Omidy, Stottman, Buzan, and Hartman

No: Commissioners Kirchdorder, Liu, and Rosenberg

Absent: Commissioners Ackerman, and Fuller

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The meeting adjourned at approximately 11:36 a.m.

Chairman

Division Director