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Subject: RE: Imminent Destruction of 1938 WHAS Studio/ Art Decco Transmitter Building near Long Run Park
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Hi Darrell,

22-RSUB-0008 goes before the Planning Commission's Land Development & Transportation Committee on Thursday, December 8th at 1pm for review. Citizens can reach out to the case manager Jay Lockett (jay.lockett@louisvilleky.gov) to share comments with the Committee. Citizens can also attend the meeting in person at the Old Jail Auditorium (514 W. Liberty Street) or virtually via WebEx. The WebEx details will be on this website closer to the meeting date <https://louisvilleky.gov/government/planning-design/upcoming-public-meetings>.

It should also be noted that there are no wrecking permits on file for this building either. That means their contractor still has to apply, and the demolition has to go through a 30-day hold. This hold allows time for the public to possibly petition to designate it as an Individual Landmark.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks,

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I wish to draw your attention to Louisville Zoning and Planning Commission Case 21-MPLAT-0150 and 22-RSUB-0008 currently in active development and under continuing review, respectively.

The planned subdivision is being built at the site of the WHAS transmitter at 1312 Flat Rock Rd. The plan calls for the destruction of the 1938 Art Deco building. I believe that this building and its current contents are of significant cultural value and may merit protection and preservation. The building was home to the original radio and tv studios of WHAS and, at last report, still has the legacy transmission equipment intact. How might I facilitate an analysis and review in light of the likelihood dismantling and demolition may start any day?

As evidence of the historical significance of the building:

<http://www.louisvilleartdeco.com/architecture/WHAS/WHASTransmissionBldg.html>

<https://www.fybush.com/site-20200612/>

<https://www.whas11.com/article/news/local/the-vault/the-vault-whas-radio-celebrates-95-years/417-457230241>

<https://www.olderadio.com/archives/stations/ccs/whaspix.htm>

<http://www.lkyradio.com/WHASphotos1.htm>

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