

**Historic Landmarks and Preservation Districts Commission
Meeting Minutes
August 17, 2023**

A meeting of the Louisville Metro Historic Landmarks and Preservation Districts Commission was held on Thursday, August 17, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. at the Old Jail Auditorium, located at 514 W. Liberty Street, Louisville, Kentucky.

Commission Members present:

Morgan Ward, Chair
Ashlyn Ackerman
Stefanie Buzan
Christopher Fuller
Carrye Jones
Emily Liu
Kate Meador
Amin Omidy
Doug Owen
Lori Stahlgren

Commission Members absent:

Howard Rosenberg
Robert Kirchdorfer

Staff Members Present:

Joseph Haberman, Planning Manager
Savannah Darr, Historic Preservation Officer
Laura Ferguson, Assistant County Attorney
Bradley Fister, Senior Planner

The following matters were considered:

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**AUGUST 10, 2023 HISTORIC LANDMARKS AND PRESERVATION DISTRICTS
COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES**

On a motion by Commissioner Meador, seconded by Commissioner Owen, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLVED, the Louisville Metro Historic Landmarks and Preservation Districts Commission does hereby **APPROVE** the Minutes of the meeting conducted on August 10, 2023.

The vote was as follows:

Yes: Commissioners Buzan, Jones, Liu, Meador, Omidy, Owen, Stahlgren, and Ward

Abstain: Commissioners Ackerman and Fuller

Absent: Commissioners Rosenberg and Kirchdorfer

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NEW BUSINESS

Request:	Design Guidelines Update
Project Name:	Design Guidelines Update
Jurisdiction:	Louisville Metro
Council District:	1-26
Case Manager:	Bradley Fister, Senior Planner

The documentation prepared for this was incorporated into the record. The documentation is part of the case file maintained at the Office of Planning, 444 South 5th Street.

A recording of the Historic Landmarks and Preservation Districts Commission meeting is available online at louisville.legistar.com, or you may contact the Office of Planning to obtain a copy.

Agency testimony:

Bradley Fister discussed the binders that were passed out to the Commissioners for later review. They contain the current Standard Design Guidelines, draft updated guidelines, and analyses of each one with recommendations for possible changes. The Commission will begin reviewing these at the regular September meeting (see recording for detailed presentation).

This agenda item was for discussion only; no vote or action was taken.

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NEW BUSINESS

Case No. 23-LANDMARK-0001

Request: Owner Request to Designate the Building and Property known as the Basil Doerhoefer House/Loretto High School as an Individual Landmark

Location: 4440 W. Broadway

Jurisdiction: Louisville Metro

Council District: 5- Donna Purvis

Case Manager: Savannah Darr, Historic Preservation Officer

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

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Agency testimony:

Savannah Darr presented the case history to date as well as the draft designation report. She also noted the memorandum findings, which were in addition to the draft designation report. She explained the significance of the building, the integrity, and the designation criteria (see recording for detailed presentation).

Public Comment:

The following spoke in support of the request:

Aric Andrews, Luckett & Farley, 737 S. 3rd Street, Louisville, KY spoke on behalf of the property owners. He noted that Luckett & Farley have always claimed the Doerhoefer House as a D.X. Murphy design, but he could not find the original plans in their files. He spoke to the building's high level of historic integrity and intact historic fabric.

Brenda Owens, 1022 S. 47th Street, Louisville, KY spoke in favor. She asked when the painting of the building would be complete and what the designation boundary meant. Bishop Michael Ford, Christ Temple Apostolic Church (723 S. 45th Street, Louisville, KY), answered that the painting would be done by the end of the month. He also noted the roof needed replacement as well. Savannah Darr explained the designation boundary.

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Commissioners' deliberation

On a motion by Commissioner Omidy, seconded by Commissioner Buzan, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLVED, the Louisville Metro Historic Landmarks and Preservation Districts Commission does hereby **ADOPT** the draft designation report, with edits to include the memorandum findings, as the findings of the Commission and **APPROVES** the designation of the Basil Doerhoefer House/Loretto High School building within the boundaries as described in the report. The building possesses sufficient integrity to meet criterion a and criteria c, d, and e.

The vote was as follows:

Yes: Commissioners Ackerman, Buzan, Fuller, Jones, Liu, Meador, Omidy, Owen, Stahlgren, and Ward

Absent: Commissioners Rosenberg and Kirchdorfer

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The meeting adjourned at approximately 10:16 a.m.

Chairman

Office of Planning Director