

**Landmark Commission  
September 16, 2020  
Remote Meeting  
Minutes**

**Meeting called to order:**

Chairman Dr. Berkey called the meeting to order at 4:30pm. The following members were present: Mr. Michael Zuilhof, Mr. Jon Lawrence, Mr. Joe Galea, Mr. Alan Griffiths, Dr. Tim Berkey, Commissioner Mike Meinzer and Mr. Ryan Nagel. Mr. Thomas Horsman represented the Planning Department and served as Acting Clerk.

**Review of minutes from September 16, 2020:**

Mr. Galea made a motion to approve the minutes and Mr. Griffiths seconded the motion. All members were in favor of the motion and the minutes were approved.

**Discussion of Revisions to Landmark Preservation Ordinance:**

Mr. Horsman presented proposed language changes to the Landmark Preservation ordinance as it relates to the process for demolishing designated historic structures or structures in historic districts.

Mr. Nagel explained to the board his experiences working with plans for demolition and redevelopment with the Cleveland Landmark Commission.

Mr. Zuilhof suggested also reviewing the requirements in the ordinance that relate to the process for designating new local landmarks.

Mr. Griffiths suggested that a process be created to allow for more preliminary discussion when large development plans are planned to go before the Landmark Commission and that the staff and Commission should be more proactive in engaging applications early in the process.

Further discussion on proposed changes to the ordinance ensued among the Commission.

Mr. Horsman stated that staff will plan to have specific ordinance language for the October meeting to be review.

Mr. Zuilhof suggested that staff and the Commission should consider lighting-specific language should be added to the ordinance.

**Staff updates/new business:**

Mr. Horsman gave an update on the status of the new Hogrefe-Cooke Building construction and stated that the city would be undergoing its Certified Local Government review and will explore applying for a Certified Local Government Grant through the State Historic Preservation Office.

Dr. Berkey updated the Commission on the status of the Johnson House and that the Old House Guild will soon be transferring ownership to a new owner.

Mr. Zuilhof suggested the city examine ways to do more publicizing of the progress of redevelopment projects happening with historic buildings in the city.

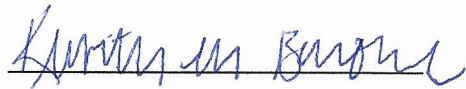
Mr. Horsman stated that there would be an update on the progress of the State Theatre next month.

The next meeting is scheduled for October 21, 2020.

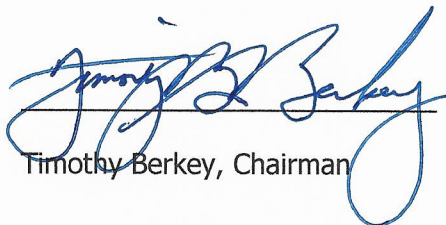
**Meeting adjourned:**

Mr. Griffiths made a motion to adjourn and Mr. Zuilhof seconded the motion. The meeting ended at 5:18pm.

**Approved by:**



Thomas Horsman, Acting Clerk



Timothy Berkey, Chairman