

**CITY OF CLEVELAND HEIGHTS
LANDMARK COMMISSION**

40 Severance Circle
Cleveland Heights, Ohio 44118

Minutes for the special meeting of
June 5, 2019

At 8:00 a.m. on Wednesday, June 5, 2019, a special meeting of the Landmark Commission was held at Garfield Monument in Lakeview Cemetery, 2721 Mayfield Road.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mazie Adams
Tom Veider
Ken Goldberg
Jim Edmonson

MEMBERS ABSENT

Marjorie Kitchell
Mark Souther
Margaret Lann

STAFF PRESENT

Kara Hamley O'Donnell, City Planner II/Historic Preservation Planner
Jamie Miles, Planning Intern

COUNCIL PRESENT

Mary Dunbar

OTHERS PRESENT

Todd Mayher, DLR Group
Kathy Gross, Lakeview Cemetery
Association
Marilyn Brandt, Lakeview Cemetery
Association
Don McCarthy, McCarthy
Sondra Beitel, McCarthy
Josh Zielinski, Donley Inc.

Greg Frank, Coon Restoration
Matt Sibia, Coon Restoration
Stephen Harrison, Cleveland
Landmarks Commission
Robert Strickland, Cleveland
Landmarks Commission
Karl Brunjes, Staff, Cleveland
Landmarks Commission

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 8:04 a.m.

OLD BUSINESS

Garfield Monument Restoration

- Mr. Mayher presented the group with the items on the agenda, including showing samples and seeking approval of the proposed cleaning methods, mortar color, tuckpoint techniques, and stone repair. He introduced Greg Frank, highlighting his 20+ years of experience in masonry restoration.
- Mr. Frank explained their masonry cleaning process: The severity of carbon staining on the stone means that they're pushing cleaning materials to their limit. They are using the leaders in cleaning chemicals. In the testing process, they started with least aggressive and worked up to heavy duty products. They found that it is most effective to presoak surface with water mist prior to applying chemical to keep chemical on surface, then apply chemical, rinse, apply again, and finally rinse with 700 psi water (stone will take 700-900 psi).

- Mr. Frank then showed the group the current tuckpointing and potential color samples. He explained that it is difficult to determine original color of mortar or a possible buff used due to weathering, but they can guess. They chose multiple colors to show the group based on both original mortar and buff, with one lighter and one darker from each. Samples applied to structure were not completely dry at time of meeting.
- Mr. Frank then showed their strategy for patching the areas where the stone is damaged or cracked. They patched some areas of stone 3 years ago with m70 compressive strength sandstone. They did not select a color at that time as they did not yet know the full scope of restoration. As part of this project, they will fully address damage by patching, detailing, and re-staining stone.
- Mr. Frank emphasized that the timeline will be largely weather dependent, but their goal is to complete as much cleaning and tuckpointing this year as possible. But it will be a while before mortar is applied (after cleaning), so the group has time to make a final decision on color.
- Both commissions then looked at the color samples provided. Ms. Adams- k2 looked closer to original mortar color, but k5 looked better, so something in that range would be best. After discussion, both commissions appeared to agree with this general direction.
- Ms. Hamley O'Donnell asked the group for a general consensus if they were comfortable with the patching and cleaning techniques described, and everyone agreed with this. Members of the Cleveland Heights Landmark Commission were unanimously in favor of the patching and cleaning techniques proposed, as were the members of the Cleveland Landmarks Commission who were present.
- Mr. Mayher discussed the condition of the monument's belt course and the damage caused by water wearing the stone down. He recommended that they document condition with photos/cast the current stone pieces because even if they repair it, the same thing will continue to happen.

NEW BUSINESS

Ambler Heights Historic District

- Ms. Adams made a motion to begin the process of designating Ambler Heights (Chestnut Hills) as a Cleveland Heights local historic district and to adopt a resolution requiring, during the designation process, referral of all applications for permits related to the proposed historic district to the Landmark Commission for review per Code section 143.08(b).
- Seconded by Mr. Veider, the motion was approved 4-0.

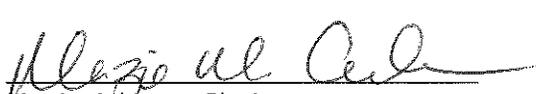
ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Commission adjourned their meeting at 8:55 a.m. The next regular meeting date will be Tuesday, July 2, 2019, at 5:30 p.m. in the Executive Conference Room at City Hall, 40 Severance Circle. [Meeting time and location may be subject to change due to Architectural Board of Review agenda.]

Respectfully submitted,


Kara Hamley O'Donnell, Secretary

Approved,


Mazie Adams, Chair

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