

CITY OF CLEVELAND HEIGHTS LANDMARK COMMISSION

Minutes for the July 1, 2025
Regular Meeting

At 5:30 P.M. on Tuesday, July 1, 2025, a regular meeting of the Landmark Commission was held in the Executive Conference Room in City Hall.

LANDMARK COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT

Mazie Adams
Margaret Lann
Ken Goldberg
Jim Nemastil
Dani Cohen

LANDMARK COMMISSION MEMBERS ABSENT

Tom Veider

STAFF PRESENT

Brooke Siggers, City Planner

COUNCIL PRESENT

None

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Adams called the meeting to order at 5:35 P.M.

Commissioner Goldberg gave corrections to the May meeting minutes. Commissioner Lann moved to approve the minutes with the submitted corrections, and the motion carried 5-0.

STAFF REPORT & OLD BUSINESS

Landmark Properties

Commissioner Goldberg mentioned that a resident suggested that the Mayfield Road cemetery be Landmarked. Commissioners agreed that they should initiate a Landmark nomination if the property owners express interest.

Commissioner Cohen shared that a neighbor of hers has a confirmed Sears catalogue house. Commissioner Goldberg stated that we don't currently have the home listed on our registry, but that he would like for it to be added.

Commissioner Lann discussed upcoming repairs for the Curtis-Preyer house due to damage from a fallen tree. If design review is required Chair Adams confirmed that a special meeting can be held to allow them to make the needed repairs as soon as possible.

Siggers confirmed that Park Synagogue requested a special meeting for final design review approvals for the new construction of townhomes that were preliminary reviewed with the Landmark Commission. They posted August 6, 2025 at 5:30 P.M. as a possible date for final approvals. Siggers will confirm the meeting date with The Applicant.

Potential Landmarks

No updates.

Landmark Ordinance and Procedures

Chair Adams announced that she discussed the updated Landmark Ordinance with Councilmen Cobb and Petras at the 50th Anniversary event, who were both open to hearing the legislation at some point soon. She also briefly discussed with Councilman Cuda. Commissioners would like to confirm with the rest of the Councilpeople that they are open to hearing and discussing it, and are hopeful that the ordinance will be brought before them some time soon.

Commissioner Goldberg stated that he believes they briefly discussed the new ordinance in a Council meeting. Chair Adams also mentioned that they voted and confirmed that Landmark Commissioners will begin to be paid for their time.

Preservation Activities & Lectures

Commissioner Goldberg announced that they were holding a lecture regarding doubles soon. Commissioner Cohen will be doing a genealogy lecture where they will discuss the cemetery and researching family history. There will also be a CRS event coming soon.

National Register of Historic Places, District Updates

No updates.

Development Updates

Commissioners discussed some concerns regarding the Taylor Tudor project due to the rainy weather we've experienced recently. Their concerns were somewhat alleviated by the window coverings that were recently added.

They also briefly discussed that the apartment building that caught fire this summer is beginning to rebuild.

Commissioners asked about the proposed new condos at the top of the hill on South Overlook. Siggers confirmed that because City Council indefinitely postponed the legislation authorizing the sale of the land, it is currently not moving forward.

Siggers announced that meetings are still being held with Planning Staff regarding Severance Town Center but that they have not submitted to be heard at any upcoming Council or Planning Commission meetings.

Siggers also announced that Park Synagogue will be going to the July 9, 2025 Planning Commission meeting to preliminarily review their phase one (1) development plan, which includes the restoration of the synagogue that was previously approved by the Landmark Commission, as well as the new construction of townhomes, for which they are requesting Landmark Commission's final design approvals at a special August meeting.

Grant Updates

Siggers discussed that Heights Libraries reached out and wanted to see if we were holding any America250 events, and that Planning Staff would like volunteers to join the board to help plan them and discuss any other future initiatives.

Siggers announced that intern Karim Azzam is back and has began scanning historic documents as part of our larger archiving project.

50th Anniversary Event

Commissioners thanked City Staff for their work in planning the event. The event was successful despite rainy and cold weather. There was a huge turnout, and the public response was extremely positive.

NEW BUSINESS

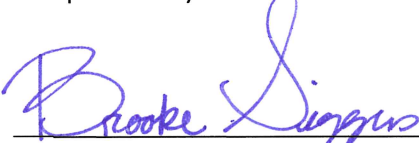
Update on Local Landmark Recertifications

No updates.

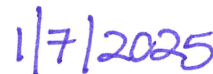
ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Commission adjourned at 7:07 P.M. The next regular meeting date will be Tuesday, September 16, 2025, at 5:30 P.M. in the Executive Conference Room on the second floor of City Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

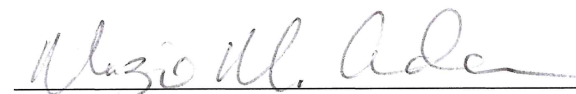


Brooke Siggers, Secretary to the Landmark Commission

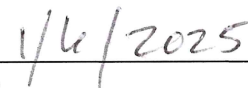


Date

Approved,



Mazie Adams, Landmark Commission Chair



Date

