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**MINUTES OF THE ROCKVILLE HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION
MEETING NO. 4-2022
Thursday, April 21, 2022**

The City of Rockville Historic District Commission convened virtually at 7:00 PM Via Webex

Commissioners Present:

Anita Neal Powell, Chair
Peter Fosselman, Michael Goldfinger, Mercy Shenge

Commissioners Absent:

Laurie Kawa

Staff Present: Sheila Bashiri, Preservation Planner
Jim Wasilak, Chief of Planning
Cynthia Walters, Deputy City Attorney
Christopher Davis, Administration

I. COMMITTEE / ORGANIZATION REPORTS

A. Peerless Rockville - Peerless Rockville Staff

- Ms. Pickard made announcements about upcoming Peerless Rockville events.
- Ms. Pickard noted that the Mayor and Council will hold a public hearing for the possible historic designation of 406 Great Falls Road, and that the public hearing for 500 Great Falls Road will follow on May 16th.

B. Lincoln Park Historical Foundation - Anita Neal Powell

- Commissioner Neal Powell announced that she will be receiving Lincoln Park Service Award from the Lincoln Park Hall of Fame on Saturday, April 23rd.
- Commissioner Neal Powell attended a stakeholders meeting with the Chesapeake Country All-American Road Interpretive Plan Kick-off as part of Tracking the Footprints African American Tourism Program.

C. Public Comments/Open Forum

- No public comments

D. HDC and Staff Comments

- Commissioner Neal Powell welcomed Jim Wasilak back to the Historic District Commission and wished David Levy well on his new position.
- Ms. Bashiri announced the Joint HDC Training with Gaithersburg on May 10th.

FURTHER DISCUSSION

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II. CONSENT AGENDA

Consent Agenda items may be approved per the Staff Report without discussion. However, any person may request that the Chair remove an item from the Consent Agenda for discussion and public comments before the vote.

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

March 17, 2022

B. REVIEW AND ACTION - MONTGOMERY COUNTY HISTORIC PRESERVATION TAX CREDIT APPLICATIONS:

TAX CREDIT HDC2021-01027

Applicant: Americana Centre

Address: 118 Monroe Street

Request: Historic Tax Credit Application

Commissioner Fosselman moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]

MOTION: Commissioner Fosselman

SECOND: Commissioner Shenge

IN FAVOR: Commissioners Neal Powell, Fosselman, Goldfinger, and Shenge

FURTHER DISCUSSION

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III. EVALUATION OF SIGNIFICANCE

A. HDC 2022-01063

Applicant: Phillip Jenkins

Address: 315 Baltimore Road

Request: Evaluation of Significance (Demolition Proposed).

Commissioner Goldfinger moved to not recommend HDC2022-01063 for historic designation

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]

MOTION: Commissioner Shenge

SECOND: Commissioner Fosselman

IN FAVOR: Neal Powell, Fosselman, Goldfinger, and Shenge

FURTHER DISCUSSION

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IV. DISCUSSION

A. Maryland State Historic Revitalization Tax Credit Programs

- Preservation Officer Dana Halpert, with the Tax Credit Programs at Maryland Historical Trust / Maryland Department of Planning, explained the Homeowner and Small Commercial tax credit programs, and answered questions from the Commissioners.

B. Old Business:

- Rules of Procedure Update - Postponed

C. New Business:

- None

FURTHER DISCUSSION

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V. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Shenge moved, and Commissioner Goldfinger seconded. Unanimous vote to adjourn at 8:21 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheila Bashiri