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Metropolitan Historical Commission

December 18, 2023, 12:00 p.m.

Howard Office Building Sonny West Conference Center 700 President Ronald Reagan Way

I.	Call to Order, Roll Call, and Welcome	Linda Wynn, Chair
II.	Recognition of Former Commission Members	Linda Wynn
III.	VOTE: November Minutes	Linda Wynn
IV.	Public Comment	Linda Wynn

IV. Public Comment

> The Metropolitan Historical Commission holds a designated public comment period at the beginning of each meeting. Members of the public in attendance may provide comments to the Board or its Committees during this designated time. Anyone wishing to speak about an agenda item will be allotted two (2) minutes to make comments. No advance registration is required.

V. **VOTE: Historical Markers**

Jessica Reeves

- A. New Historical Markers
 - Coach Cornelius Ridley (1932-2003)
 - Metro Nashville District Energy System
- B. Revisions to Historical Marker Guidelines
- VI. Guest Speaker: "Nashville Civil Rights Movement Documentation Project" Robbie D. Jones Principal Senior Architectural Historian, Tennessee Branch Manager Richard Grubb & Associates
- VII. Director's Report

Tim Walker

VIII. **Historic Zoning Report** Robin Zeigler

- IX. Other Business
- X. Announcements
- XI. Adjourn

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Historical Markers, December 2023

Title: Coach Cornelius Ridley

Location: 613 17th Ave N (in front of MLK Magnet School/ former Pearl High School)

Funding: private (Vanderbilt University)

Coach Cornelius Ridley 1932-2003

Cornelius Ridley's teams won 684 games, 15 district, 8 region and 5 state championships at three Nashville schools from 1960-91. Ridley, a 1949 Pearl graduate, succeeded his legendary basketball coach William Gupton in 1960. He coached the Tigers in Nashville's first integrated game in 1965 and led Pearl to an undefeated TSSAA state title in 1966, the first year the tournament was desegregated. An educational mentor, he was inducted into the Tennessee Sports Hall of Fame in 2007.

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Title: Metro Nashville District Energy System

Location: 1st Ave S and Korean Veterans Blvd.

Funding: private (Constellation)

Metro Nashville District Energy System

The Metro Nashville District Energy System has provided centralized heating and cooling services to buildings in downtown Nashville since February 1974. Launched by Mayor Beverly Briley, this system utilizes a 91,000-foot network of underground pipes. Nashville was one of the first U.S. cities to pair a district energy system with an alternative fuel source, in the context of the 1970s energy crisis and heightened environmental concerns. The current plant opened here in 2003.

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