

METROPOLITAN HISTORICAL COMMISSION (MHC)
MINUTES

October 21, 2013

The Metropolitan Historical Commission held its regular meeting on October 21, 2013, in the conference room of the Historical Commission office at 3000 Granny White Pike, with Commission Chair Bill McKee presiding.

Commissioners Present: Dr. Bill McKee, Chair; Bob Allen, Clay Bailey, Menié Bell, Lula Brooks, George Cate, Jr., Holly Conner, David Currey, Don Cusic, Jim Forkum, Jim Hoobler, Lynn McDonald, Mark Rogers*, and Linda Wynn. Commissioner Gerry Searcy was not present.

Guests Present: Sanford Payton, Mayor Wm. Coke (Forest Hills), Matt Foster, Joe Hobson, Diane Lance (Mayor's office)

Staff Members Present: Sean Alexander, Paul Hoffman, Tara Mielnik, Scarlett Miles, Yvonne Ogren, and Robin Zeigler

Chair Bill McKee called the meeting to order at 12:00 pm, after verifying that a quorum was present.

Approval of Minutes: Commissioner George Cate moved to approve the minutes from the September meeting as written. Commissioner Holly Conner seconded the motion. The minutes were unanimously approved.

KELLYTOWN PRESENTATION – Forest Hills Mayor Wm. Coke, Matt Foster, Jim Hobson

Forest Hills Mayor Bill Coke, landscape architect Joe Hobson, and attorney Matt Foster gave a presentation of the master plan proposal designed for the Kellytown settlement archaeological site. The proposal includes a green space area which may at some point join together greenways of Brentwood, Davidson County, and Forest Hills. An application has been submitted for a non-profit group, *Friends of Kellytown*, to benefit the site. There was discussion, and the presenters answered questions from the commission regarding other Metro agency involvement, the Native American community, and potential development that could adversely affect the site.

**Commissioner Mark Rogers joined the meeting during this presentation.*

FORT NASHBOROUGH PRESENTATION – Commissioner David Currey

Commissioner Currey gave a presentation on the proposed Master Plan completed by Encore Interpretive, for Fort Nashborough. Renderings of the future center's design were shown, and Mr. Currey described how it would give a modern interpretation of the settlement's history, from the era when Native Americans inhabited the area through the history of the first pioneer settlers; and more accurately represent the construction methods of a fortress of the period. The plan also incorporates classroom space, interpretive kiosks, storage areas, and space where a future office could be located, should the need arise for a full-time staff person at the site.

INTRODUCTION – Robin Zeigler

Ms. Zeigler introduced Paul Hoffman, the new Historic Preservationist on staff; and thanked the commissioners for all their support in making it possible to add a new person.

OTHER BUSINESS

Remaining items on the agenda were deferred until the November meeting, due to the time allotted for the special presentations.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by

Yvonne Ogren

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