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STAFF RECOMMENDATION
2500 West End Ave, Centennial Park
June 17, 2015

Application: Historic Landmark Overlay for Centennial Park

Map and Parcel Numbers: 09214007600

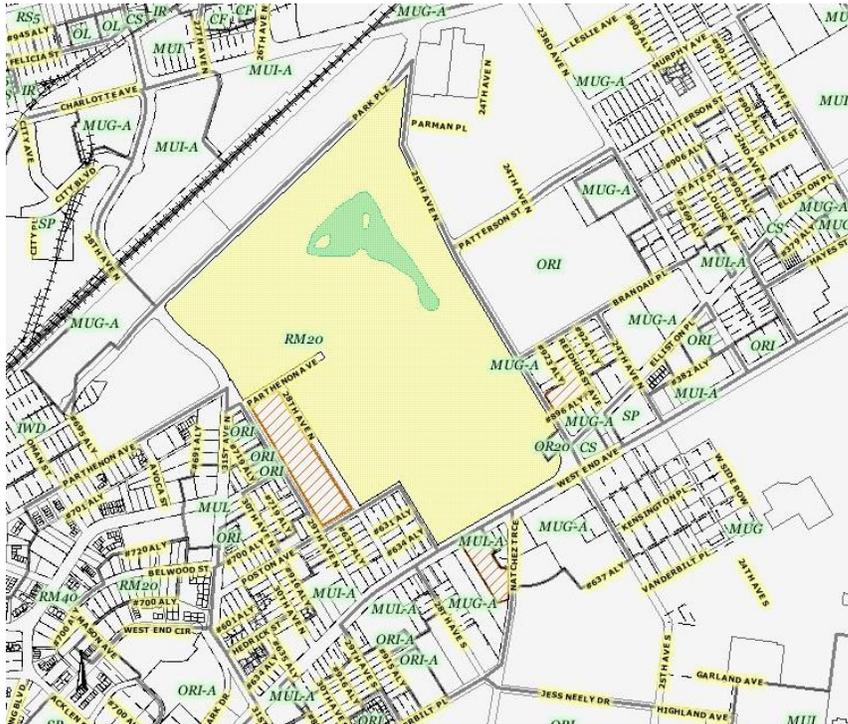
Council Districts: 21

Applicant: Mayor Karl Dean

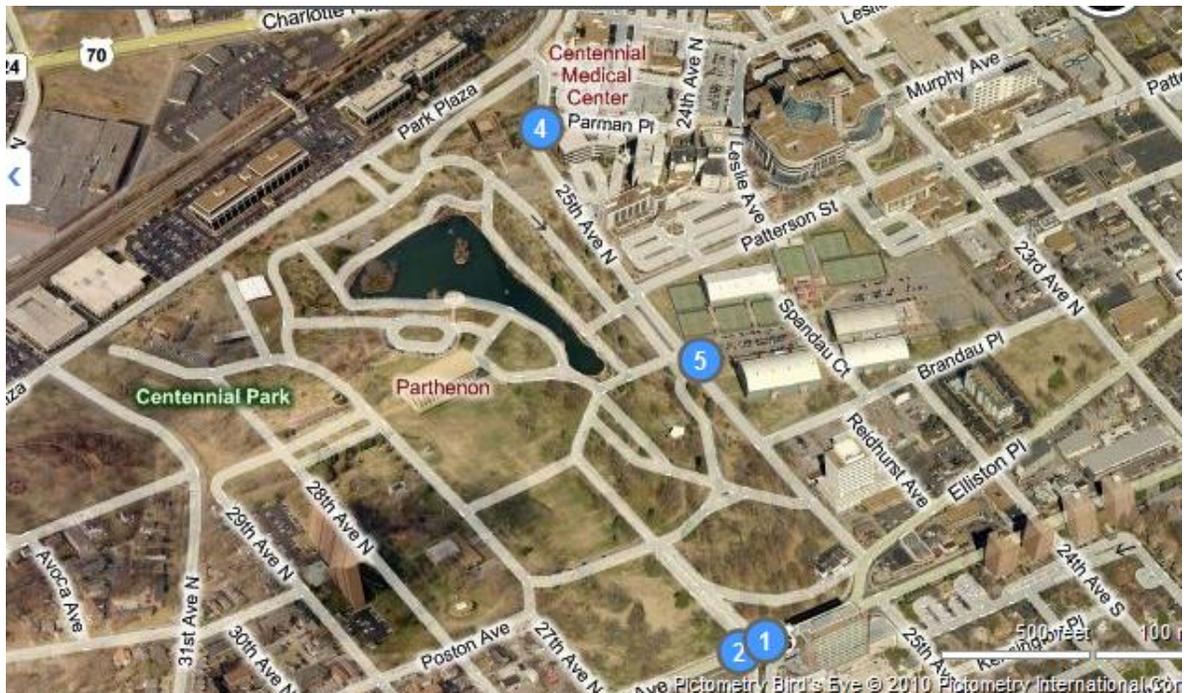
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<p>Description of Project: Mayor Karl dean is requesting that Centennial Park be adopted as a Historic Landmark Overlay.</p> <p>Recommendation Summary: Staff suggests the Commission recommend to City Council that the Centennial Park be adopted as Historic Landmark Overlay. The site meets the standards of the Ordinance for a Historic Preservation Landmark Overlay and is listed in the National Register of Historic Places.</p>	<p>Attachments A: Photographs</p>
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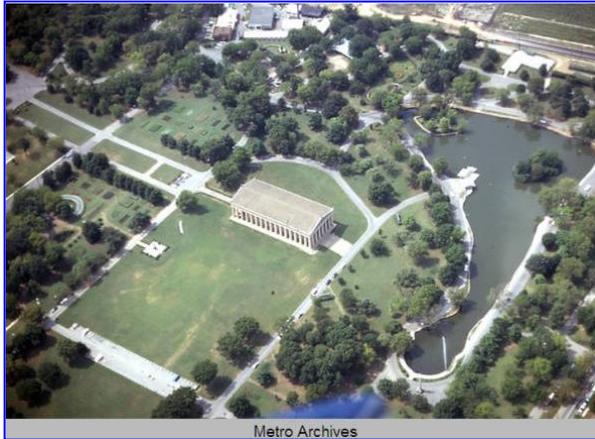
Vicinity Map



Aerial Map



Background:



The Parthenon, located within Centennial Park was Landmarked in 1999.

Centennial Park was listed in the National Register of Historic Places in 2008 as a designed historic landscape under criteria A and C for its local significance in art, architecture, landscape architecture, entertainment/recreation, and politics/government. As it was the location of the Tennessee Centennial

Exposition in 1897 and has continued to be the home of the iconic replica of the Parthenon, Centennial Park has been, for over 100 years, a Nashville landmark that has made an excellent contribution to local history. Centennial Park contains buildings and monuments that both maintain historic integrity and are, in many case architecturally one of a kind. Furthermore, Centennial Park demonstrates, at the local level, many of the movements that were taking place at the national level, such as the parks movement, the playground movement, the recreation movement and the post-World War II modern period.

Applicable Ordinance:

Article III. Historic Overlay Districts

17.36.120 Historic Districts Defined. B. Historic Landmark. An historic landmark is defined as a building, structure, site or object, its appurtenances and the property it is located on, of high historical, cultural, architectural or archaeological importance; whose demolition or destruction would constitute an irreplaceable loss to the quality and character of Nashville and Davidson County; and that meets one or more of the following criteria:

1. The historic landmark is associated with an event that has made a significant contribution to local, state or national history;
2. It is associated with the lives of persons significant in local, state or national history;
3. It embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period or method of construction, or that represents the work of a master, or that possesses high artistic value;
4. It has yielded or may be likely to yielded archaeological information important in history or prehistory; or
5. It is listed or is eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places.

Analysis and Findings:

Centennial Park meets standards 1, 3 and 5 because of its association with historical and preservation movements in the 20th century and because the National Park Service has listed the property in the National Register of Historic Places.

Staff suggests the Commission recommend to City Council a Historic Landmark Overlay for Centennial Park.

ATTACHMENT A: PHOTOGRAPHS

