



METROPOLITAN HISTORICAL COMMISSION

METROPOLITAN GOVERNMENT OF NASHVILLE AND DAVIDSON COUNTY

Metropolitan Historical Commission Meeting Agenda

October 19, 2026, 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. Approval of September Meeting Minutes Linda Wynn

III. Public Comment Linda Wynn

The MHC holds a designated public comment period at 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.

IV. Historical Markers Jessica Fitzpatrick

a. Proposed Historical Markers

i. St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church (private funding)

ii. David Briggs (1943-2025)/House of David Recording Studio (private funding)

b. Marker Program/Event Updates

V. Certified Local Government Program Overview Claudette Stager

VI. Director's Report Caroline Eller

VII. Other Business

VIII. Announcements

IX. Adjourn



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Historical Markers, October 2026

St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church

Location: 1628 Rosa L. Parks Blvd.

Funding: Nelson Community Partners/ Inspiritus

St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church

Founded in 1906 by German Lutheran immigrants, the St. Paul's congregation relocated here in 1936. The church hired Samuel M. McMurray to design the new building in the English Gothic Revival style. St. Paul's was among Nashville's few desegregated congregations and hosted Fisk University's Race Relations Institute in 1964. The congregation served the North Nashville community through outreach ministries until the church's closure in 2016.



Caption:

Built in 1936, the St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church building was razed in 2025. Before the church closed in 2016, they partnered with Inspiritus, Inc., to preserve the congregation's legacy with the construction of Inspiritus at Rosa Parks, housing for older adults as well as community services, on this site.

David Briggs/House of David Recording Studio

Location: 1205 16th Ave. S

Funding: DAGA Holdings

David Briggs

1943-2025

David Briggs was a legendary keyboardist, songwriter, arranger, producer and publisher. A member of the original Muscle Shoals Rhythm Section, Area Code 615 and Elvis's TCB Band, Briggs also played on over 10,000 sessions with artists such as Dolly Parton and B. B. King. He co-founded Quadrafonic Studio in 1969 and created House of David Recording Studio in 1974. Honored in 2011 by the Country Music Hall of Fame as a "Nashville Cat," he was inducted into the Musicians Hall of Fame in 2019.

House of David Recording Studio

1205-1207 16th Ave. S

Acclaimed musician and producer David Briggs created the House of David Recording Studio Complex in 1974. Briggs transformed two early 20th-century residences into a complex that included a commercial recording studio, publishing house, offices, artist spaces and living quarters. From 1974–2005, countless songs, albums and jingles were written, produced, published and recorded here, including music by Steve Winwood, Neil Young, Joe Cocker, Whitney Houston, Willie Nelson and Roy Orbison.