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MOTION

To Further Codify Neighborhood Intent to Historically Designate Significant Buildings

WE MOVE that the administration input buildings identified as historically significant with intent for future designation in neighborhood or community plans passed by Council and the Planning Commission into the CAGIS system. This should apply retroactively to past plans and be implemented moving forward if community plans specifically call out sites or areas that they would like to explore a designation for.

WE FURTHER MOVE that the city explore further ways of notifying parties involved in a property transfer that there has been community and city-approved intent for historic designation.

Councilmember Reggie Harris

Councilmember Meeka Owens

Councilmember Jeff Cramerding

Councilmember Seth Walsh

STATEMENT

Through our partnership with the Cincinnati Preservation Association and other preservation organizations, we are problem-solving for the impossible scenario this council has faced multiple times where a property owner opposes a community-led historic designation process. We must work hard to inform prospective owners and sellers that historic intent has been indicated so that is on the table in any transaction.

The City of Cincinnati through our public facing CAGIS software currently captures our recognized local historic districts, local historic buildings/structures, and even buildings that are listed on the National Historic Registry. This is a resource that would like to use to make designation intent as accessible as possible for all parties.

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