

Meeting No. 4-2022: Thursday April 21, 2022

CITY OF ROCKVILLE HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION AGENDA
7:00 p.m.

Anita Neal Powell, Chair
Peter Fosselman, Michael Goldfinger, Laurie Kawa, Mercy Shenge

Sheila Bashiri, Preservation Planner
Ricky Barker, Director, Community Planning and Development Services
Jim Wasilak, Chief of Zoning
Cynthia Walters, Deputy City Attorney
Christopher Davis, Administration
Mercedes Delgado, Administration

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7:00 pm **I. COMMITTEE / ORGANIZATION REPORTS**

- A. Peerless Rockville - Peerless Rockville Staff
- B. Lincoln Park Historical Foundation - Anita Neal Powell
- C. Public Comments/Open Forum
- D. HDC and Staff Comments

7:10 pm **II. CONSENT AGENDA**

Consent Agenda items may be approved per the Staff Report without discussion. However, any person may request that the Chair remove an item from the Consent Agenda for discussion and public comments before the vote.

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

March 17, 2022

B. REVIEW AND ACTION - MONTGOMERY COUNTY HISTORIC PRESERVATION TAX CREDIT APPLICATIONS:

TAX CREDIT [HDC2021-01027](#)

Applicant: Americana Centre

Address: 118 Monroe Street

Request: Historic Tax Credit Application

7:15 pm **III. EVALUATION OF SIGNIFICANCE**

A. [HDC2022-01063](#)

Applicant: Phillip Jenkins

Address: 903 North Stonestreet Avenue

Request: Evaluation of Significance (Demolition Proposed).

7:45 pm **IV. DISCUSSION**

A. **Maryland State Historic Revitalization Tax Credit Programs**

Preservation Officer Dana Halpert, with the Tax Credit Programs at Maryland Historical Trust / Maryland Department of Planning, will present a brief introduction to the [homeowner](#) and [small commercial](#) tax credit programs. With assistance from the program, historic rehabilitation work may be eligible for a project to return a historic house, which has been converted to and used as office use, back to residential use.

B. **Old Business:**

1. Rules of Procedure Update - **POSTPONED**

C. **New Business:**

8:45 pm **V. ADJOURN**

The HDC adjourns by 10:00 pm, unless extended by the Chair.

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**HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION
UPCOMING MEETINGS CALENDAR FOR 2022**

2022 MEETING DATE	APPLICATION DUE DATE
May 19, 2022	April 15, 2022
June 16, 2022	May 13, 2022
July 21, 2022	June 17, 2022
AUGUST RECESS	*****
September 15, 2022	August 12, 2022
October 20, 2022	September 16, 2022
November 17, 2022	October 14, 2022
December 15, 2022	November 11, 2022

ONLINE MEETING AND PUBLIC HEARING PROCEDURES

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Members of the public who wish to participate and/or provide testimony on the subject application are welcome to do so by following the public hearing procedures outlined below.

HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION ONLINE MEETING and PUBLIC HEARING PROCEDURE

I. Meeting Platform: WebEx

- A. Applicant Access: Provided by Planning and Development Services/IT
- B. Access for Oral Testimony and Comment: Provided by PDS/IT (see below)

II. Pre-Meeting Preparations/Requirements:

A. Written Testimony and Exhibits

Written testimony and exhibits may be submitted by email to the Historic District Commission, at history@rockvillemd.gov, or by mail to:

Sheila Bashiri, Preservation Planner
Rockville Historic District Commission
111 Maryland Avenue
Rockville MD, 20850

Written testimony and exhibits that are submitted by 4:00pm on **April 20, 2022** will be provided to the Historic District Commission by e-mail and posted on the on the Internet as a link within the meeting Agenda, at <https://www.rockvillemd.gov/AgendaCenter/Search/?term=&CIDs=3,&startDate=&endDate=&dateRange=&dateSelector=>

B. Oral Testimony by members of the Public

Public Testimony/Comment on an Application – Any member of the public who wishes to provide oral comments on an Application must submit their name and email address to the Historic District Commission, (by email at history@rockvillemd.gov) no later than 9:00 am on the day of the hearing (**April 21, 2022**) to be placed on the testimony list. Members of the public who seek technical assistance from City staff must submit their name and email address to Sheila Bashiri, sbashiri@rockvillemd.gov, no later than two (2) days in advance of the hearing so that an orientation session may be scheduled.

If a member of the public is unable to meet the deadline to be placed on the testimony list, they can submit written testimony to the Historic District Commission by email to history@rockvillemd.gov. For written testimony received after the 4:00 p.m. deadline noted above, the Preservation Planner will inform the Commission that the comments have been received, but after the established deadline.

III. Conduct of Online Meeting and Public Hearing:

A. Rules of Procedure

The Meeting and Public Hearing will be held in accord with the Historic District Commission Rules of Procedure, including the order of testimony and applicable time limits on testimony. The Rules may be viewed here: <https://www.rockvillemd.gov/DocumentCenter/View/9989/Historic-District-Commission---Rules-of-Procedure-Updated-November-2014?bidId=>

B. Review of Applications/Cases

The ordinary, but not mandatory, order or procedure for the conduct of the consideration of each application, subject to modifications by the Chair, shall be as follows:

- Introduction and summary of case by staff, including a staff recommendation;
- Questions by the Commission to staff;
- Statement by the applicant and/or his/her agent;
- Questions by the Commission to applicant or agent;
- Public comment;
- Cross-examination of speakers by the applicant, if requested;
- Applicant's rebuttal;
- Consideration and vote by the Commission.

Per the Rules of Procedure, the Chairperson may limit speakers as follows: applicant – five (5) minutes; others – three (3) minutes.

C. Continuance of Hearing

The Historic District Commission, at its discretion, reserves the right to continue the hearing until another date.

PLEASE NOTE:

These procedures are designed to ensure that applicants and members of the public are able to be heard on each matter as fully as is possible within the technological constraints of an online meeting and hearing. Please follow the procedures precisely so that the HDC and staff are able to receive all testimony and comments. When it is your turn to speak:

- Please clearly state your name and address for the record.
- Statements should relate to the subject matter of the hearing.
- Proper, civil language is required at all times.
- Please also be patient.

The HDC and City Staff are doing their best to run the meeting and hearing as efficiently as possible. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.