

**AGENDA**  
**688<sup>TH</sup> STATED MEETING OF THE**  
**PHILADELPHIA HISTORICAL COMMISSION**

**FRIDAY, 13 DECEMBER 2019, 9:00 A.M.**  
**1515 ARCH STREET, ROOM 18-029**  
**BOB THOMAS, CHAIR**

**1. ADOPTION OF MINUTES, 687<sup>TH</sup> STATED MEETING, 8 NOVEMBER 2019**  
Bob Thomas, Chair

**2. CONTINUANCE REQUESTS**

**ADDRESS: 7709 CHEROKEE ST; 540 W MORELAND AVE; 545 W MERMAID LN**  
**CHD RECOMMENDED REMAND TO JANUARY 2020 CHD MTG; PARTIES OBJECTED**

Name of Resource: Keewaydin

Proposed Action: Designation

Property Owner: Robin Sommers (7709 Cherokee St); Ganos LLC (540 W Moreland Ave);  
Donald J. Ratchford and Nancy A. Dickson (545 W Mermaid Ln)

Nominator: Chestnut Hill Conservancy

Staff Contact: Meredith Keller, meredith.keller@phila.gov, 215-686-7660

**ADDRESS: 145 SUMAC ST**

**REQUEST FOR CONTINUANCE AND REMAND TO JANUARY 2020 CHD MTG**

Proposed Action: Designation

Property Owner: Heather Baumgardner and Robert J. Marcin

Nominator: Philadelphia Historical Commission staff

Staff Contact: Kim Chantry, kim.chantry@phila.gov, 215-686-7660

**ADDRESS: 147 SUMAC ST**

**REQUEST FOR CONTINUANCE AND REMAND TO JANUARY 2020 CHD MTG**

Proposed Action: Designation

Property Owner: Deborah Gribbin-Zameska and James Zameska

Nominator: Philadelphia Historical Commission staff

Staff Contact: Kim Chantry, kim.chantry@phila.gov, 215-686-7660

**ADDRESS: 5901-13 AND 5915-41 GERMANTOWN AVE & 61-71 AND 73 E HAINES ST**

**REQUEST FOR CONTINUANCE AND REMAND TO FEBRUARY 2020 CHD MTG**

Name of Resource: Germantown High School

Proposed Action: Designation

Property Owner: 5301 Germantown Avenue Investment Partners; 5901 Germantown Ave In.

Nominator: Germantown United CDC, The Keeping Society of Philadelphia

Staff Contact: Meredith Keller, meredith.keller@phila.gov, 215-686-7660

**ORDER OF AGENDA SUBJECT TO CHANGE**  
**PHILADELPHIA HISTORICAL COMMISSION**  
**PHILADELPHIA'S PRINCIPAL PUBLIC STEWARD OF HISTORIC RESOURCES**

### 3. THE REPORT OF THE ARCHITECTURAL COMMITTEE, 19 NOVEMBER 2019

Dan McCoubrey, Chair

#### CONSENT AGENDA

**418 SPRUCE ST  
2035 DELANCEY PL  
2200 DELANCEY PL  
1613 W GIRARD AVE  
231 REED ST**

#### AGENDA

##### **ADDRESS: 418 SPRUCE ST – ON CONSENT AGENDA**

Proposal: Renovate rowhouse; construct addition

Type of Review Requested: Final Approval

Owner: Society Hill Synagogue

Applicant: Christian Kaulius, Brawer & Hauptman Architects

History: 1830, Thomas U. Walter, Society Hill Synagogue/Spruce Street Baptist Church

Individual Designation: 4/30/1957

District Designation: Society Hill Historic District, Significant, 3/10/1999

Staff Contact: Allyson Mehley, allyson.mehley@phila.gov, 215-686-7660

##### **ADDRESS: 2035 DELANCEY PL – REVISED, ON CONSENT AGENDA**

Proposal: Construct roof deck, pilot house, and exterior stair

Type of Review Requested: Final Approval

Owner: Richard Phillips, Jr.

Applicant: Kyle Lissack, Pinemar Inc.

History: 1865

Individual Designation: 1/6/1972

District Designation: Rittenhouse Fittler Historic District, Contributing, 2/8/1995

Staff Contact: Allyson Mehley, allyson.mehley@phila.gov, 215-686-7660

##### **ADDRESS: 1416 DIAMOND ST**

Proposal: Demolish front façade, the only remaining portion of the building

Type of Review Requested: Final Approval

Owner: Temple University Commonwealth System of Higher Education

Applicant: John Higgins, Higgins Consulting Service

History: 1886, John M. Sharp, builder

Individual Designation: None

District Designation: Diamond Street Historic District, Contributing, 1/29/1986

Staff Contact: Megan Cross Schmitt, megan.schmitt@phila.gov, 215-686-7660

##### **ADDRESS: 2200 DELANCEY PL – REVISED, ON CONSENT AGENDA**

Proposal: Construct rear deck; install windows and doors at rear bay

Type of Review Requested: Final Approval

Owner: Jay and Stella Ludwig

Applicant: Alfred Dragani, Dragani Martone Studio LLP

History: 1877

Individual Designation: 9/12/1974

District Designation: Rittenhouse Fittler Historic District, Contributing, 2/8/1995

Staff Contact: Meredith Keller, meredith.keller@phila.gov, 215-686-7660

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**ADDRESS: 1432 DIAMOND ST**

Proposal: Rebuild demolished rear ell with addition  
Type of Review Requested: Final Approval  
Owner: Lopsonzski 1432 W Diamond  
Applicant: Shae Morong, Plato Studio Architect LLC  
History: 1886, John M. Sharp, builder  
Individual Designation: None  
District Designation: Diamond Street Historic District, Contributing, 1/29/1986  
Staff Contact: Meredith Keller, meredith.keller@phila.gov, 215-686-7660

**ADDRESS: 1613 W GIRARD AVE – REVISED, ON CONSENT AGENDA**

Proposal: Demolish rear ell; construct 3-story addition  
Type of Review Requested: Final Approval  
Owner: MN Realty LLC  
Applicant: Gregory Schaub, Quaker City Consulting LLC  
History: 1867, James McElroy, builder  
Individual Designation: 5/28/1968  
District Designation: None  
Staff Contact: Randal Baron, randal.baron@phila.gov, 215-686-7660

**ADDRESS: 231 REED ST – REVISED, ON CONSENT AGENDA**

Proposal: Construct addition  
Type of Review Requested: Review In Concept  
Owner: Christopher Columbus Charter School  
Applicant: Robert O'Donnell, O'Donnell Stacey  
History: 1893, William P. Regan, Sacred Heart of Jesus Parochial School  
Individual Designation: 1/1/3000  
District Designation: None  
Staff Contact: Kim Chantry, kim.chantry@phila.gov, 215-686-7660

**4. THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON HISTORIC DESIGNATION, 13 NOVEMBER 2019**

Emily Cooperman, Chair

**ADDRESS: 8819 RIDGE AVE, 700-06 AND 708-16 CALEDONIA ST**

Proposed Action: Rescission  
Property Owner: Barwel Development LLC  
History: 1859; Absalom Loyle House; demolished 2019 owing to imminently dangerous designation  
Individual Designation: None  
District Designation: Ridge Avenue Historic District, Contributing, 10/12/2018  
Staff Contact: Kim Chantry, kim.chantry@phila.gov, 215-686-7660

**ADDRESS: 231 REED ST**

Name of Resource: Sacred Heart of Jesus Parochial School  
Proposed Action: Designation  
Property Owner: Christopher Columbus Charter School  
Nominator: Celeste Morello  
Staff Contact: Kim Chantry, kim.chantry@phila.gov, 215-686-7660

**ADDRESS: 20-24 N 40TH ST**

Name of Resource: Hotel Powelton; Powelton Cafe  
Proposed Action: Designation  
Property Owner: Bridge Venture LLC  
Nominator: Preservation Alliance for Greater Philadelphia  
Staff Contact: Kim Chantry, kim.chantry@phila.gov, 215-686-7660

**ADDRESS: 339 N 63RD ST**

Name of Resource: Our Lady of the Holy Rosary Roman Catholic Church  
Proposed Action: Designation  
Property Owner: Choice Academics Inc.  
Nominator: Celeste Morello  
Staff Contact: Allyson Mehley, allyson.mehley@phila.gov, 215-686-7660

**ADDRESS: 4111 MANTUA AVE**

Name of Resource: Keystone Battery A  
Proposed Action: Designation  
Property Owner: TJ Properties Inc.  
Nominator: Philadelphia City Planning Commission  
Staff Contact: Allyson Mehley, allyson.mehley@phila.gov, 215-686-7660

**ADDRESS: 5301-15 N FRONT ST**

Name of Resource: Zion Lutheran Church  
Proposed Action: Designation  
Property Owner: Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church of Olney  
Nominator: Philadelphia Historical Commission staff for Karen Williams, Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church  
Staff Contact: Megan Schmitt, megan.schmitt@phila.gov, 215-686-7660

**ADDRESS: 3501-25 N 6TH ST**

Name of Resource: St. Veronica Roman Catholic School and Rectory  
Proposed Action: Designation  
Property Owner: Archdiocese of Philadelphia  
Nominator: Celeste Morello  
Staff Contact: Megan Schmitt, megan.schmitt@phila.gov, 215-686-7660

**ADDRESS: 1535 W GIRARD AVE**

Name of Resource: Charles T. Yerkes House  
Proposed Action: Designation  
Property Owner: Willis W. Berry, Jr.  
Nominator: Philadelphia Historical Commission staff  
Staff Contact: Megan Schmitt, megan.schmitt@phila.gov, 215-686-7660

**ADDRESS: 5700-04 GERMANTOWN AVE**

Name of Resource: Langstroth Hall; Vernon Hall  
Proposed Action: Designation  
Property Owner: Robert A Canter  
Nominator: Adrian Trevisan  
Staff Contact: Meredith Keller, meredith.keller@phila.gov, 215-686-7660

**5. OLD BUSINESS**

**ADDRESS: 1734-54 W THOMPSON ST**

Name of Resource: Church of the Gesu

Proposed Action: Designation

Property Owner: Saint Joseph's Preparatory

Nominator: Celeste Morello

Staff Contact: Megan Cross Schmitt, [megan.schmitt@phila.gov](mailto:megan.schmitt@phila.gov), 215-686-7660

**6. THE REPORT ON THE ACTIVITIES OF THE HISTORICAL COMMISSION STAFF, NOVEMBER 2019**

Jonathan E. Farnham, Executive Director