



METROPOLITAN
HISTORICAL
COMMISSION

Metropolitan Historical Commission Meeting

Agenda

May 17, 2021

12:00 p.m.

Sonny West Conference Center-Fulton Campus

700 Second Avenue South (between Lindsley Avenue and Middleton Street)

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| I. Call to Order | Dr. Clay Bailey, Chair |
| II. Approval of April Minutes | Dr. Clay Bailey |
| III. Preservation Awards | Scarlett Miles |
| IV. Historical Markers | Jessica Reeves |
| V. Director's Report | Tim Walker |
| VI. Nominations Committee | Dr. Clay Bailey
Dr. Bill McKee |
| VII. Adjourn | |

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St. Ann Catholic Church and School

Location: 5101 Charlotte Avenue

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St. Ann Catholic Church and School opened here in 1921. Two Sisters of Charity first welcomed West Nashville Catholics at gatherings held above a nearby hardware store in 1917. This informal gathering became St. Peter's Mission, thanks to support of the Diocese of Nashville and the Church of the Assumption. In May 1921, the Diocese acquired this site, the Byrd-Douglas or Thomasson home. St. Ann School is the oldest Diocesan school still operating in the City of Nashville.

476 characters and spaces

Gerst House

Location: Union Street at 2nd Ave N

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Side 1

William J. Gerst opened the Gerst House restaurant in 1955, after the Wm. Gerst Brewing Co. closed. Serving German-American food, it was a gathering place for attorneys, journalists and politicians due to its proximity to the courthouse. Bill died in 1968; his daughter Gene Ritter continued the tradition. In 1970, urban development forced the Gerst House to move across the river. After Gene's death in 1988, it was sold and renamed the "Gerst Haus." It closed in 2018.

Side 2

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