

## ANATHAN HOUSE HISTORIC NOMINATION - STAFF REPORT

<b>APPLICATION</b>	DCP-HN-2025-00088
<b>NAME</b>	Anathan House
<b>PROPERTY</b>	1620 Murray Avenue – 86-G-201
<b>PROPERTY OWNER</b>	Council of Jewish Women
<b>NEIGHBORHOOD</b>	Squirrel Hill North
<b>RCO</b>	Squirrel Hill Urban Coalition
<b>ZONING DISTRICT</b>	R2-L
<b>COUNCIL DISTRICT</b>	8 – Erika Strassburger
<b>MEETING DATE</b>	TBD

### **FINDINGS OF FACT**

1. Historic Nomination DCP-HN-2025-00088 was filed by Matthew Falcone and Marissa Fogel, on April 3, 2025, for the historic nomination of the Anathan House.
2. The Nomination is attached to this staff report for Council review.
3. The property owner was sent notice of this nomination by the nominator on October 28, 2025 and by the City on October 28, 2025.
4. A Development Activities Meeting (DAM) was held on April 1, 2025. The DAM report is attached.
5. Summary of Public Meetings – Historic Review
  1. The Determination of Viability Hearing was held on May 7, 2025.
  2. A public hearing was held before the Historic Review Commission on June 4, 2025.
  3. A public hearing was held before the Planning Commission on June 3, 2025.
6. Per Section 1101.03, Criteria for Designation, a nomination must meet at least one of the following criteria in order to be designated a historic structure:
  1. *Its location as a site of a significant historic or prehistoric event or activity;*
  2. *Its identification with a person or persons who significantly contributed to the cultural, historic, architectural, archaeological, or related aspect of the development of the City of Pittsburgh, State of Pennsylvania, Mid-Atlantic region, or the United States;*
  3. *Its exemplification of an architectural type, style or design distinguished by innovation, rarity, uniqueness, or overall quality of design, detail, materials, or craftsmanship;*
  4. *Its identification as the work of an architect, designer, engineer, or builder whose individual work is significant in the history or development of the City of Pittsburgh, the State of Pennsylvania, the Mid-Atlantic region, or the United States;*
  5. *Its exemplification of important planning and urban design techniques distinguished by innovation, rarity, uniqueness or overall quality of design or detail;*
  6. *Its location as a site of an important archaeological resource;*

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7. *Its association with important cultural or social aspects or events in the history of the City of Pittsburgh, the State of Pennsylvania, the Mid-Atlantic region, or the United States;*
  8. *Its exemplification of a pattern of neighborhood development or settlement significant to the cultural history or traditions of the city, whose components may lack individual distinction.*
  9. *Its representation of a cultural, historic, architectural, archaeological or related theme expressed through distinctive areas, properties, sites, structures or objects that may or may not be contiguous; or*
  10. *Its unique location or distinctive physical appearance or presence representing an established and familiar visual feature of a neighborhood, community, or the City of Pittsburgh.*
7. Per Section 1101.03, the City Planning Commission shall consider effects of designation on adjoining properties and surrounding neighborhoods within the framework of established planning, development, and land use objectives for the City of Pittsburgh.

### **RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE HISTORIC REVIEW AND PLANNING COMMISSIONS**

- On June 4, 2025, the Historic Review Commission voted to provide a positive recommendation to City Council regarding the historic nomination of the Anathan House.
- On June 3, 2025, the Planning Commission voted to provide a positive recommendation to City Council regarding the historic nomination of the Anathan House.