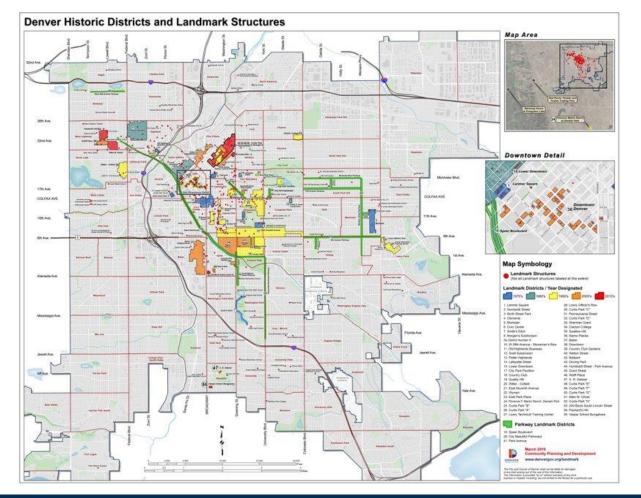
# 4431 E 26<sup>th</sup> Ave #2019L-010 – Landmark Designation Application

Land Use, Transportation & Infrastructure Committee January 7, 2020



# **Denver Landmarks & Districts**



### 1967 Landmark Preservation Ordinance

Purpose

- Designate, preserve, and protect
- Foster civic pride
- Stabilize and improve aesthetic and economic vitality
- Promote good urban design

"It is the sense of the council that the economic, cultural and aesthetic standing of this city cannot be maintained or enhanced by disregarding the historical, architectural and geographic heritage of the city and ignoring the destruction or defacement of such cultural assets."



### **Denver Landmarks & Districts**

~4% of the city, or 1 in 25 structures, are designated Landmarks





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# **Designation Applications**



### **Community-driven process**

- Owner(s) of the property
- Manager of Community Planning and Development
- Member(s) of City Council
- Three people who are
  - Residents,
  - Property owners, or
  - Have a place of business in Denver



### **Owner/Applicant**

• Dennis Residency Family Trust

### Location

• North Park Hill Neighborhood

### **Council District**

• #8, Christopher Herndon

### **Blueprint Denver**

- Urban Future Neighborhood Context
- Low Residential Future Place Type

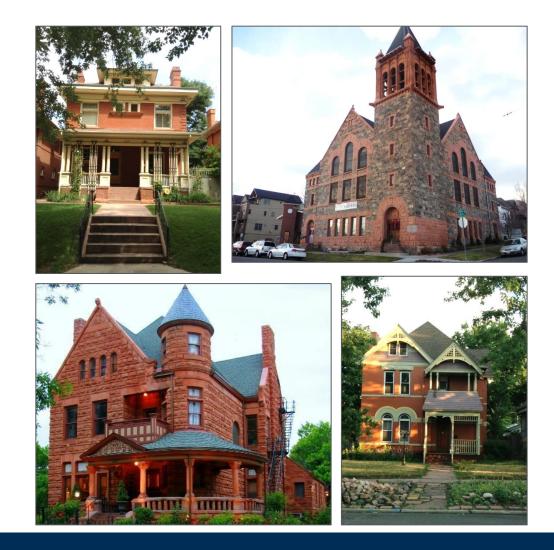
### **Current Zoning**

• U-SU-C



### Property required to\*:

- Meet a designation criterion in at least two of the following categories:
  - 1. History
  - 2. Architecture
  - 3. Geography
- Maintain historic and physical integrity
- Be considered by LPC for relation to a historic context or theme
- \* Per Landmark Preservation Ordinance (Chapter 30, Denver Revised Municipal Code)





- 1. History 30 years old, and shall:
  - a. Have direct association with the historical development of the city, state or nation;
  - b. Be the site of a significant historic event; or
  - c. Have direct and substantial association with a person or group of persons who had influence on society.
- 2. Architecture design quality and integrity, and:
  - a. Embody distinguishing characteristics of an architectural style or type;
  - b. Be the significant work of a recognized architect or master builder;
  - c. Contain elements of architectural design...which represent a significant innovation
  - d. Portray the environment of a group of people or physical development of an area in an era of history characterized by a distinctive architectural style.
- 3. Geography:
  - a. Have a prominent location or be an established, familiar and orienting visual feature of the contemporary city;
  - b. Promote understanding and appreciation of the urban environment by means of distinctive physical characteristics or rarity;
  - c. Make a special contribution to Denver's distinctive character.



History Criterion C – Have direct association with a person or group of persons who had influence on society



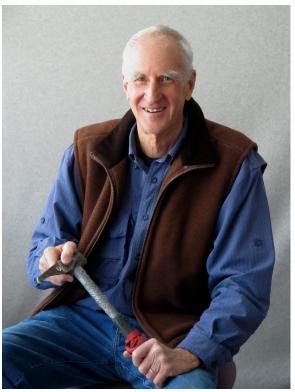
Kittredge Building (l) & Kittredge Castle (r), c. 1890

Charles Marble Kittredge





Charles Ginsberg, 1917



William "Bill" Forrest, date unknown



Architecture Criterion A – Embody distinguishing characteristics of an architectural style or type





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Geography Criterion A – Have a prominent location or be an established, familiar, and orienting visual feature of the contemporary city







#### Integrity

"The ability of a structure or district to convey its historic and architectural significance. ...recognized as belonging to its particular time and place in Denver's history."

### **Retains integrity**

- Location
- Design
- Workmanship
- Materials
- Setting
- Feeling
- Association

### Alterations

Rooftop solar panel installation

Reversible and does not conceal the essential physical features of the property





Historic context(s) or Theme(s)

Periods of significance: 1911-1915, 1920-1929, 1971-1998

- Tuberculosis treatment in Colorado late 1800s/early 1900s
- Early development of Park Hill late 1880s/early 1900s
- Influence of Ku Klux Klan on Denver and Colorado politics 1920s
- Growth and prominence of Colorado's outdoor recreation industry 1970s onward



Plan Consistency

Proposed designation is consistent with:

- Comprehensive Plan 2040
- Blueprint Denver
- Park Hill Neighborhood Plan





#### **Review Criteria**

### ✓ Meets one designation criterion in each category

1. History

c. Have direct and substantial association with a person or group of persons who had influence on society

2. Architecture

a. Embody distinguishing characteristics of an architectural style or type

3. Geography

a. Have a prominent location or be an established, familiar, and orienting visual feature of the contemporary city

 $\checkmark$  Maintains historic and physical integrity

 $\checkmark$  Relates to a historic context or theme

Public comment submitted to CPD:2 in support, 0 in oppositionLPC unanimously recommended

# **Staff Recommendation**

Based on designation criteria and findings of the Landmark Preservation Commission (LPC) that the application meets the criteria for designation of a structure, staff recommends approval of the application.



