

NOTICE

Section 106 Review – Notice of Adverse Effect – Demolition at 302 Smyth Street Lynchburg, VA 24501

This notice is to inform you that a Section 106 review of the above referenced undertaking is in progress. This undertaking is considered a federal undertaking because it is funded, fully or in part, by Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Program funds granted to the City from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

Section 106 is an advisory process, which seeks to minimize and regulate effects on historic properties from federal undertakings. After entering into consultation with the Virginia Department of Historic Resources (DHR), it was determined that the demolition of 302 Smyth Street will result in a finding of Adverse Effect. In accordance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, you are now being invited, as an identified interested party or a member of the public, to review and provide comment on this undertaking.

The finding is subject to the following conditions:

- After consultation with interested parties concludes, a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) will be drafted to memorialize agreed upon mitigation measures.
- Documentation of the structure with reports, photos, maps, and/or drawings will likely be pursued as a mitigation measure and will be completed by Lynchburg Redevelopment and Housing Authority (LRHA) or its consultants.

The City would like to offer the following information for your consideration:

- The existing structure is a vacant, one-story, wood frame single-family residence measuring approximately seven hundred thirty-seven (737) square feet. It was constructed in 1910 and moved from Pulaski Street to its current location in 1958 in preparation for the construction of the Dearington Hills Apartments.
- The existing structure has deteriorated and is proposed for demolition. A duplex will be constructed in its place as part of LRHA's relocation plan for families currently living in the nearby public housing.
- The Dearington Neighborhood, including this structure, has not been formally surveyed for listing in the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP). Based on the information available, DHR feels the Dearington Neighborhood, and this structure, may potentially be eligible and should be formally evaluated.
- Additional materials for review may be found on the City website here: <https://www.lynchburgva.gov/852/Notice-of-Potential-Adverse-Effect>.

Please direct questions, comments, or additional mitigation requests to Eve Mergenthaler, Planner I at eve.mergenthaler@lynchburgva.gov or mail them to her attention at 900 Church St Lynchburg, VA 24504.

All correspondence must be received no later than May 8, 2024.