

**PITTSFIELD CHARTER TOWNSHIP
WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN
RES #21-03**

**RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH THE BYRD CENTER HISTORIC DISTRICT
STUDY COMMITTEE AND TO APPOINT MEMBERS**

January 27, 2021

At a Regular Meeting of the Township Board of Pittsfield Charter Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan, held at the Township Administration Building located at 6201 W. Michigan Avenue, in said Township, on the 27th day of January, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.

Present: Grewal, Anzaldi, Scribner, Edwards-Brown, Jaffer, Krone, Urda-Thompson
Absent: None

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Treasurer Scribner and supported by Trustee Krone.

WHEREAS, since 2010, Pittsfield Township's Master Plan has delineated historic preservation, along with celebrating our arts and culture, as a primary objective for our community as a result of which we've established two (2) historic districts since then; and

WHEREAS, the State of Michigan has declared historic preservation to be a public purpose and has established procedures whereby a local unit of government may establish local historic districts; and

WHEREAS, the Local Historic Districts Act ("the Act") requires and authorizes a local unit of government to appoint a historic district study committee before establishing a historic district; and

WHEREAS, the Pittsfield Township Historic District Commission has requested the Board of Trustees to appoint a historic district study committee to consider establishment of the Byrd Center Historic District; and

WHEREAS, the Pittsfield Charter Township Board of Trustees supports historic preservation efforts in the township; and

WHEREAS, the Local Historic Districts Act requires that the committee contain a majority of persons who have a clearly demonstrated interest in or knowledge of historic preservation; and

WHEREAS, the Local Historic Districts Act also requires that the committee contain representation from one or more duly organized local historic preservation organizations; and

WHEREAS, the persons listed below meet both of the above criteria;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Pittsfield Charter Township Board of Trustees establishes the Byrd Center Historic District Study Committee; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Byrd Center Historic District Study Committee shall perform the following tasks, as required by Section 3 of the Local Historic District Act (MCL 399.203):

- a) Conduct a photographic inventory of resources within each proposed historic district following procedures established or approved by the department.
- b) Conduct basic research of each proposed historic district and the historic resources located within that district.
- c) Determine the total number of historic and nonhistoric resources within a proposed historic district and the percentage of historic resources of that total. In evaluating the significance of historic resources, the committee shall be guided by the selection criteria for evaluation issued by the United States secretary of the interior for inclusion of resources in the national register of historic places, as set forth in 36 C.F.R. part 60, and criteria established or approved by the department, if any.
- d) Prepare a preliminary historic district study committee report that addresses at a minimum all of the following:
 - i. The charge of the committee.
 - ii. The composition of the committee membership.
 - iii. The historic district or districts studied.
 - iv. The boundaries for each proposed historic district in writing and on maps.
 - v. The history of each proposed historic district.
 - vi. The significance of each district as a whole, as well as a sufficient number of its individual resources to fully represent the variety of resources found within the district, relative to the evaluation criteria.
- e) Transmit copies of the preliminary report for review and recommendations to the local planning body, to the department, to the Michigan historical commission, and to the state historic preservation review board.
- f) Make copies of the preliminary report available to the public pursuant to the Act.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Byrd Center Historic District Study Committee shall meet all other requirements and deadlines established for such committees by the Act.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the following persons are appointed to the Byrd Center Historic District Study Committee:

- Dr. Dan Bonenberger
- Ina Hanel-Gerdenich
- Joyce Hunter
- Betty LeClair
- Al Paas
- Helen Richards
- Patricia Scribner
- Ed Wall
- Mary Ellen Wall

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Grewal, Anzaldi, Scribner, Edwards-Brown, Jaffer, Krone, Urda-Thompson

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.



Mandy Grewal, Supervisor
Pittsfield Charter Township

Dated: January 29, 2021