



Once it's gone, it's gone forever.

The Colonnade. Corner neighborhood stores. Old gas stations. Nuisance sites. Schools. Churches. Places we pass by so often we no longer notice. But these places face threats every day – perhaps more so because we've grown accustomed to seeing them we can't imagine them gone. That is why Historic Kansas City (HKC) manages this list to highlight important historic buildings, districts and landscapes that are in danger because of the threat of demolition, poor condition and maintenance, neglect, alterations, redevelopment pressures, inappropriate development, insensitive public policy, or lack of funds.

Since the inception of the Most Endangered Places List in the late 1980s, HKC has recognized that the threat to endangered resources vastly exceeded the resources of our organization. That is why we use the list to prompt wide media exposure for the value and plight of these historic resources in the hope that interested parties can come together to help return these assets to a vital use while preserving their historic character. The Most Endangered Places List includes threatened properties that HKC has been, or is currently, actively involved in. It also includes properties with champions seeking awareness, properties with owners seeking awareness of their challenges, and properties in need of a champion.

View the Most Endangered Places **"Overview"** video below. (15 segments = 30 min)



"The list of Most Endangered Places calls attention to threatened unique resources throughout Kansas City and galvanizes the local community to help save them," said Greg Allen, president of Historic Kansas City. "Historic Kansas City's Most Endangered Places List provides a powerful spotlight that raises awareness of the cultural and economic value of our historic buildings, schools, theaters, homes, and neighborhoods, and the lack of financial support in Kansas City for their preservation and reuse." Added Historic Kansas City Executive Director Lisa Briscoe: "Kansas City's Endangered Places need creativity, vision, and committed investment to escape demolition and neglect. We hope this year's list will gain the attention to go from endangered to saved."

This year's list includes the Colonnade park structure, Katz Drug Store, African-American cultural sites, commercial districts and corridors, modern architecture, and historic sites, churches, and theaters. Historic properties are selected for listing based on several criteria. Sites must be listed or eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places or the Kansas City Register of Historic Places, and sites must be subject to a serious threat to their existence or historical and/or architectural integrity.

The list is based on information publicly available at the time of deliberation and allowing a reasonable interval for preparing the list and publishing it.

The list is a call for action by all stakeholders. It follows no prioritization order.

To find out more about these Endangered Places view the Press Release [HERE](#).

News



Virtual Annual Member Meeting

We recently held our annual members meeting and elected new officers and directors. We used the opportunity to report on the performance of HKC and presented the annual report.

View the 2020 Annual Report [HERE](#).

Outgoing Directors:

- Jim Wanser

2021 Renewing Board of Directors:

- Marquita Taylor
- Steve Paul

2021 New Slate of Officers:

- President – Greg Allen,
- Vice President – Vicki Noteis
- Treasurer – Eric Piper
- Secretary – Mary Jo Draper

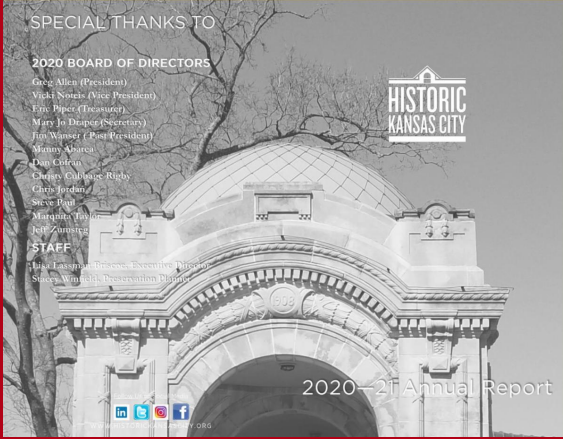
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