

ORDINANCE

Lindemann and Hoverson Company Showroom and Warehouse Building 2620 West Washington Boulevard

WHEREAS, pursuant to the procedures set forth in the Municipal Code of Chicago (the "Municipal Code"), §§ 2-120-130 through -690, the Commission on Chicago Landmarks (the "Commission") has determined that the Lindemann and Hoverson Company Showroom and Warehouse Building, located at 2620 West Washington Boulevard, as more precisely described in Exhibit A attached hereto and incorporated herein (the "Building"), meets three criteria for landmark designation as set forth in § 2-120-620 (1), (4), and (5) of the Municipal Code; and

WHEREAS, the Building exemplifies the importance of mercantile warehouse and industrial development in the history of Chicago during the early 20th century; and

WHEREAS, the Building is an excellent example of a reinforced-concrete, flat-slab, multi-story loft building that combines a utilitarian structure with a high level of architectural detailing; and

WHEREAS, the Building's white terra-cotta ornament is finely crafted and detailed with a variety of Classical-style motifs; and

WHEREAS, Paul Gerhardt, Sr., the architect of the Building, was a significant late 19th- and early 20th-century architect who designed a wide variety of buildings in Chicago, including factories, warehouses, mercantile buildings, hotels, schools, and government buildings; and

WHEREAS, as Cook County architect, Gerhardt designed the Cook County Hospital building, one of Chicago's finest Beaux Arts-style public buildings; and

WHEREAS, as architect for the Chicago Board of Education, Gerhardt designed several visually distinctive and significant public school buildings, including Lane Technical and Von Steuben High Schools; and

WHEREAS, the Building retains more than sufficient physical integrity to express its "historic, community, architectural, or aesthetic interest or value" as required by § 2-120-630 of the Municipal Code, retaining its original location, overall design, historic building materials, and the great majority of significant exterior details; and

WHEREAS, on October 2, 2008, the Commission adopted a resolution recommending to the City Council of the City of Chicago that the Building be designated as a Chicago Landmark; now, therefore

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO:

SECTION 1. The above recitals are expressly incorporated in and made a part of this ordinance as though fully set forth herein.

SECTION 2. The Building is hereby designated as a Chicago Landmark in accordance with § 2-120-700 of the Municipal Code.

SECTION 3. The significant historical and architectural features of the Building, for the purposes of § 2-120-740 of the Municipal Code, are all exterior elevations, including rooflines, of the Building.

SECTION 4. The Commission is hereby directed to create a suitable plaque appropriately identifying said landmark and to affix the plaque on or near the property designated as a Chicago Landmark in accordance with the provisions of § 2-120-700 of the Municipal Code.

SECTION 5. The Commission is directed to comply with the provisions of § 2-120-720 of the Municipal Code, regarding notification of said designation.

SECTION 6. If any provision of this ordinance shall be held to be invalid or unenforceable for any reason, the invalidity or unenforceability of such provision shall not affect any of the other provisions of this ordinance.

SECTION 7. This ordinance shall take effect upon its passage and approval.

Exhibit A

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Property Description

Legal Description:

THAT PART OF LOT 2 IN THE PARTITION BY MAURICE WAKEMAN AND OTHERS OF THE SOUTH HALF OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 12, TOWNSHIP 39 NORTH, RANGE 13 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT THE POINT OF INTERSECTION OF THE NORTH LINE OF WASHINGTON BOULEVARD AS WIDENED, WITH THE EAST LINE OF TALMAN AVENUE, WHICH POINT IS 25 EAST AT RIGHT ANGLES FROM THE WEST LINE OF SAID LOT 2; THENCE EAST ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF WASHINGTON BOULEVARD 100 FEET; THENCE NORTH PARALLEL WITH THE EAST LINE OF TALMAN AVENUE TO THE SOUTH LINE OF PARK (MAYPOLE) AVENUE; THENCE WEST ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF PARK (MAYPOLE) AVENUE TO THE EAST LINE OF TALMAN AVENUE; THENCE SOUTH ALONG THE EAST LINE OF TALMAN AVENUE TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING.

PINs:

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Address commonly known as:

2620 West Washington Boulevard

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON
HISTORICAL LANDMARK PRESERVATION

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Miguel del Valle
City Clerk City of Chicago