



DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT  
CITY OF CHICAGO

January 31, 2022

Heather Gleason, AICP, CPRP  
Director, Planning and Development  
Chicago Park District  
541 N. Fairbanks, 3rd Floor  
Chicago, Illinois 60611

**RE: Promontory Point  
East of S. Jean Baptiste Point du Sable Lake Shore Drive, Between 54th and 56th  
Streets  
Notice of Preliminary Landmark Designation**

**Sent via certified mail and email ([heather.gleason@chicagoparkdistrict.com](mailto:heather.gleason@chicagoparkdistrict.com))**

Dear Ms. Gleason:

At its January 12th meeting, the Commission on Chicago Landmarks voted to approve a "preliminary landmark recommendation" for the proposed designation of Promontory Point as a Chicago Landmark. This letter is the official notification to the Chicago Park District, the owner of the property, of the Commission's preliminary action. A copy of the preliminary research report discussing the site's historical and architectural significance is available at [www.chicago.gov/DPD](http://www.chicago.gov/DPD). (Click on the Historic Preservation link and in the Supporting Information menu, choose Reports for Proposed/Designated Chicago Landmarks.) The Chicago Landmarks Ordinance and other information concerning landmark designation are available on the other links found on the same Historic Preservation Division page of the Department of Planning and Development's website. Please email me at [Kandalyn.Hahn@cityofchicago.org](mailto:Kandalyn.Hahn@cityofchicago.org) if you need hard copies of any of the information.

This action represents the initial step in the Commission's consideration of possible landmark designation of the site, a process that leads to a final vote regarding whether to recommend designation to the City Council. This vote also puts in place the Commission's permit review authority for the property, a procedure that will remain in effect while the designation is under consideration by both the Commission and City Council. If the City Council enacts a landmark designation ordinance for the site, this review authority would become permanent.

As part of the landmark designation process, the Commission is formally requesting your consent to landmark designation. A consent form is enclosed.

In order to move the designation process ahead in as expedient a manner as possible, we propose to include the next two formal steps in the process--(1) the report from the Department of Planning and Development and (2) the consideration of final landmark designation—on the agenda of the next Commission on Chicago Landmarks meeting. This meeting will take place virtually on February 9th and begins at 12:45 p.m.

We would appreciate your signing, notarizing, and returning the attached consent at your earliest convenience. Please plan to attend the Thursday, February 9th virtual Commission meeting with your team so as to be available to answer questions from the Commissioners.

We look forward to hearing from you. If you have any questions, please contact me via phone at (312) 744-8234 or via email at [Kandalyn.Hahn@cityofchicago.org](mailto:Kandalyn.Hahn@cityofchicago.org).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kandalyn Hahn". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name and last name clearly distinguishable.

Kandalyn Hahn  
Project Coordinator  
Historic Preservation Division

Encl.

Cc: Alderman Leslie A. Hairston, 5th Ward (via email)

**Commission on Chicago Landmarks**  
**City Hall, 121 North LaSalle Street, Room 1000**  
**Chicago, Illinois 60602**  
**(312) 744-3200**

Indication of Consent to the Proposed Designation of  
Promontory Point  
as a Chicago Landmark

This form constitutes the consent (or non-consent) of the undersigned owner to the proposed designation of Promontory Point ("the Site") as a Chicago Landmark. The property is:

That portion of Promontory Point located east of S. Jean Baptiste Point du Sable Lake Shore Drive,  
between 54<sup>th</sup> and 56<sup>th</sup> Streets, Chicago, Illinois

**PIN(s):**            PIN # 20-12-109-001-0000  
                         PIN # 20-13-104-001-0000

Subject to the final determination of the City Council of Chicago, acting on the recommendation of the Commission on Chicago Landmarks (the "Commission"), the **significant historical and architectural features** of the Site are:

- All exterior elevations and roofline of the Pavilion Building; and
- The pathways, council rings, *David Wallach Fountain*, and limestone revetments; and
- Alfred Caldwell's landscape design of a central meadow edged by irregular groupings of plants and trees.

Routine landscape maintenance is excluded from review. Species selection of individual plants and trees is also excluded from review in recognition of the potential need for change to the plant palette to ensure that the park landscape is resilient in the face of climate change.

*Please indicate your consent or non-consent by placing an "X" in the appropriate box:*

☐ CONSENT

☐ NON-CONSENT

**Owner:** \_\_\_\_\_

**I,** \_\_\_\_\_,  
**represent that I am authorized to sign on behalf of the Owner.**

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name of signatory:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(please print)

**Title of signatory:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Subscribed and sworn to me this** \_\_\_\_\_ **day of** \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_

(signature of notary public)

**My commission expires:** \_\_\_\_\_