

Certificate of Appropriateness

Filing Date: June 14, 2024
Case Number: **24-20-HPC**
Request: **Certificate of Appropriateness**
Project Address: 300 Douglas Street, Shreveport, LA 71101
Historic District: St. Paul's Bottoms Historic District
Zoning: D-1-AC (Downtown Arts and Culture Sub-District)
Applicant: Forte & Tablada Engineering / Luke Haney
MPC Review by: Walter Johnson, Community Planning Division
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HPC Meeting Date: June 18, 2024

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

300 Douglas Street is the site of the new G-UNIT Film and Television Studios Facility in downtown Shreveport—formally known as Millennium Studios. The applicant would like to temporarily place a temporary fence in the right-of-way to “protect the north side of the studio facility against Fannin Street traffic flow.” This length of temporary construction fencing will be positioned inside the right-of-way on Fannin Street.

OTHER ACTIONS REQUIRED

- **Right-of-Way Encroachment Permit.** Submitted through the Department of Public Works/Engineering and approved by City Council.

APPROVAL STANDARDS – Certificate of Appropriateness

Per Shreveport UDC Article 21, Section 21.6, D. Approval Standards, for a Certificate of Appropriateness:

It is not the intention of these regulations to require the reconstruction or restoration of individual or original buildings and/or prohibit the removal or demolition of the same. Upon review of the application for a Certificate of Appropriateness, the Shreveport HPC and the Executive Director of the Shreveport-Caddo MPC, or his/her designee, must balance the following standards in making any recommendation and/or determination for approval:

1. *Whether the building, land, property, site, structure, or object has Pre-historic Significance, Historic Significance, Architectural Significance, Archeological Significance, or Cultural Significance (as all defined by this Article) and the importance of said significance to the community.*

MPC STAFF COMMENTS: The proposed construction fencing will be temporary in nature (a duration not to exceed 12 months) and will not remain a permanent feature of the roadway.

2. *Whether the proposed activity (i.e., improvements) will adversely affect any exterior feature and/or exterior architectural feature.*

MPC STAFF COMMENTS: MPC staff finds that the proposed improvements WILL NOT adversely affect any exterior features and/or exterior architectural features of the surrounding neighborhood.

3. *Whether the proposed activity (i.e., improvements) will adversely affect the historic character of the landmark, site, building, structure, landscape, and/or object.*

MPC STAFF COMMENTS: MPC staff finds that the proposed improvements WILL NOT adversely affect the historic character of the landmark, site, building, structure, landscape, and/or object.

4. *In considering new construction, if a contemporary design is used, the architectural styles from particular historic periods are not required; however, a determination regarding whether the contemporary design is harmonious with the character of the HPOD is required.*

MPC STAFF COMMENTS: MPC staff finds that the proposed improvements ARE COMPATIBLE with the character of the HPOD.

5. Whether the proposed activity complies with the design standards contained in Article 4.

MPC STAFF COMMENTS: As this is a temporary installation, this standard does not apply.

MPC STAFF ANALYSIS

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This temporary installation of fencing is intended to protect ongoing studio remodeling and construction projects initiated by G-UNIT Studios. The fencing will be removed once construction/remodeling is complete. Once the temporary fencing is removed, a permanent fence and curbing will be installed.

ATTACHMENTS

Exhibits to this Application include:

1. Exhibit A. Studio Location
2. Exhibit B. Historic Preservation Commission Map
3. Exhibit C. Zoning Map
4. Exhibit D. Vicinity Map
5. Exhibit E. Construction Fencing Site Plan
6. Exhibit F. Construction Fencing Detail

METROPOLITAN PLANNING COMMISSION (MPC) STAFF RECOMMENDATION

CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS.

MPC staff recommends APPROVAL WITH CONDITIONS of the requested Certificate of Appropriateness.

1. Prior to release of any Building Permit, the Applicant shall submit a hard-copy HPC application signed by the Owner of the property. All application fees for this case shall also be paid, in full.
2. The duration of temporary fencing along Fannin Street, as indicated and described in this report, shall not exceed 12 months. If the fencing is not removed as described herein, or a new Certificate of Appropriateness is not obtained, the property owner may be cited for a zoning violation.

3. A Right-of-Way Encroachment Permit is submitted and approved through the Department of Public Works/Engineering and approved by City Council.

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION (June 18, 2024)

MPC EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S DECISION (June 19, 2024)

CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS.

Executive Director Signature:	Date:
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Exhibit A. Studio Location



Exhibit B. Historic Preservation Commission Map

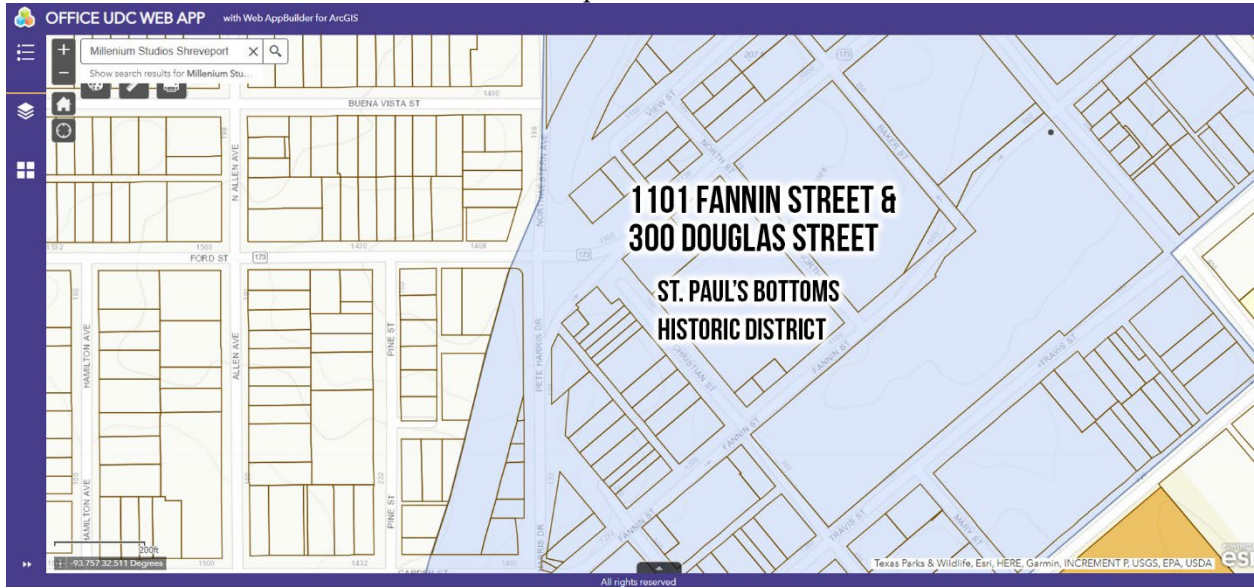


Exhibit C. Zoning Map



Exhibit D. Vicinity Map



Exhibit E. Construction Fencing Site Plan

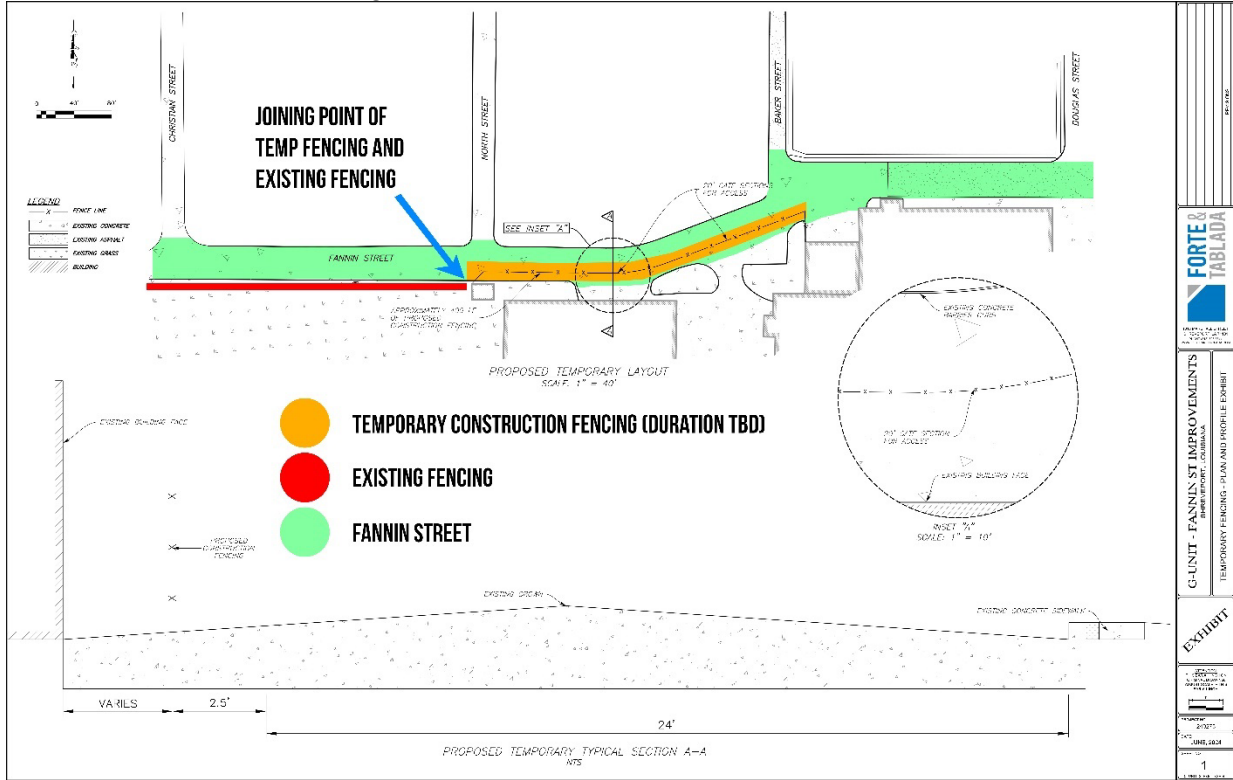


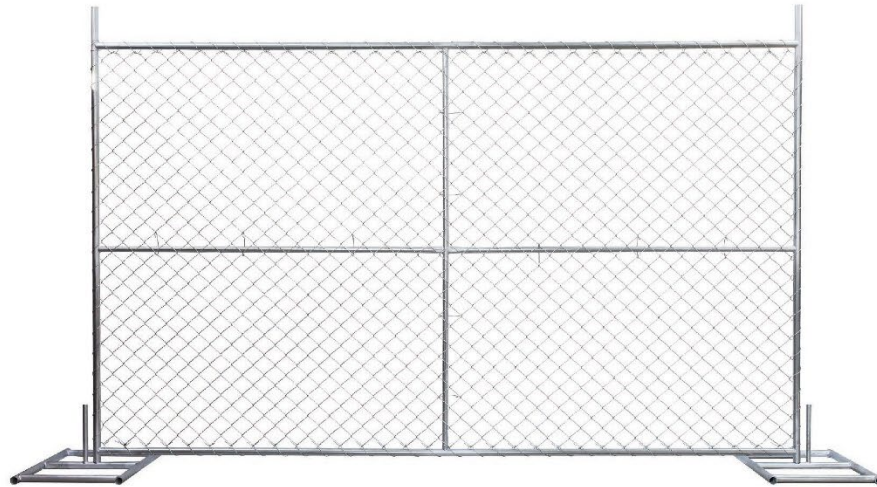
Exhibit F. Construction Fencing Detail

SKU: SSTP7210



6' X 10' VERSA CHAIN LINK TEMP FENCE PANEL

Versa Chain Link Fence Panel 6x10 cross-braced temporary chain link fencing with thicker wire and extended height, providing outstanding durability, can be used in any orientation.



SPECIFICATIONS



DIMENSIONS

Length: 10ft.
Height: 6ft.



WEIGHT

48 lbs.



MATERIAL

Steel



FINISH

Pre-Galvanized
(Zinc Treated)



TUBE OD

1-3/8 in.



GAUGE

16 ga