

# Ordinance No. 1084-2025

By Council Member Spencer

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE  
Designating the Tamir Rice Butterfly  
Memorial as a Cleveland Landmark.

WHEREAS, under Chapter 161 of the Codified Ordinances of Cleveland, Ohio, 1976, the Cleveland Landmarks Commission (the “Commission”), has proposed to designate the Tamir Rice Butterfly Memorial as a landmark; and

WHEREAS, the owner of the Tamir Rice Butterfly Memorial property has been properly notified and has consented in writing to the proposed designation; and

WHEREAS, the Commission has recommended designation of the Tamir Rice Butterfly Memorial as a landmark and has set forth certain findings of fact constituting the basis for its decision; and

WHEREAS, the Tamir Rice Butterfly Memorial is located in the City right-of-way within Cudell Commons, which is located within the Clifton Road / West Boulevard Historic District established by Ordinance No. 109-2000; and

WHEREAS, this ordinance constitutes an emergency measure providing for the immediate preservation of the public peace, property, health, and safety in that the immediate protection of the historic landmark is necessary to safeguard the special historical, community, or aesthetic interest or value in the landmark; now, therefore,

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

Section 1. That the Tamir Rice Butterfly Memorial, depicted on the map placed in **File No. 1084-2025-A**, is also known as the following described property:

Situated in the City of Cleveland, County of Cuyahoga and State of Ohio as known as being a portion of West Boulevard (prior to its relocation in 1977) south of Detroit Avenue and north of Madison Avenue, more fully described as follows:

Commencing at a point on the easterly line of old West Boulevard at the southwesterly corner of lands deeded to the City of Cleveland on Volume 98-12250, Page 34 Cuyahoga County Records, said point being south, along the easterly line of old West Boulevard, about 471.87 feet from the intersection of the easterly line of old West Boulevard and the southerly line of Detroit Ave. (R/W varies).

Thence Westerly, along the Easterly line of old West Boulevard, about 5 feet to an angle point on the easterly line of old West Boulevard.

Thence Southerly, along the easterly line of old West Boulevard, about 6 feet, to a point on the northerly edge of an existing concrete sidewalk.

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Thence, leaving the Easterly line of old West Boulevard, Southwesterly, Westerly and Northwesterly, along the northerly edge of said concrete sidewalk, about 60 feet to a point on the westerly line of old West Boulevard.

Thence, Northerly, along the Westerly line of old West Boulevard, about 75 feet to a point on the westerly projection of the southerly edge of said concrete sidewalk.

Thence Easterly and Southeasterly, along the southerly edge of said concrete sidewalk, about 75 feet to a point on the Easterly line of said old West Boulevard.

Thence Southerly, along the Easterly line of said old West Boulevard, about 10 feet to the place of beginning. Being that portion Cudell Commons, within the perimeter of the above described existing concrete sidewalk.

Legal Description approved by Eric B. Westfall, Section Chief,  
Plats, Surveys and House Numbering Section.

which in its entirety is a property having special character or special historical or aesthetic value as part of the development, heritage, or cultural characteristics of the City, State, or the United States, is designated a landmark under Chapter 161 of the Codified Ordinances of Cleveland, Ohio, 1976.

Section 2. That this ordinance is declared to be an emergency measure and, provided it receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to Council, it shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor; otherwise it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

DM:jb  
9-15-2025  
For: Council Member Spencer

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READ FIRST TIME on SEPTEMBER 15, 2025  
and referred to DIRECTORS of City Planning Commission, Law;  
COMMITTEE on Development Planning and Sustainability

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CITY CLERK

READ SECOND TIME

CITY CLERK

READ THIRD TIME

PRESIDENT

CITY CLERK

APPROVED

MAYOR

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