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Substitute resolution granting permanent historic designation of the Central City Plaza Historic District between W. Walnut St. and W. Vine St. and N. 6th St. N. 7th St., in the 6th Aldermanic District.



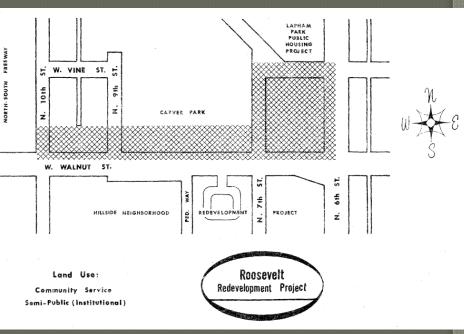


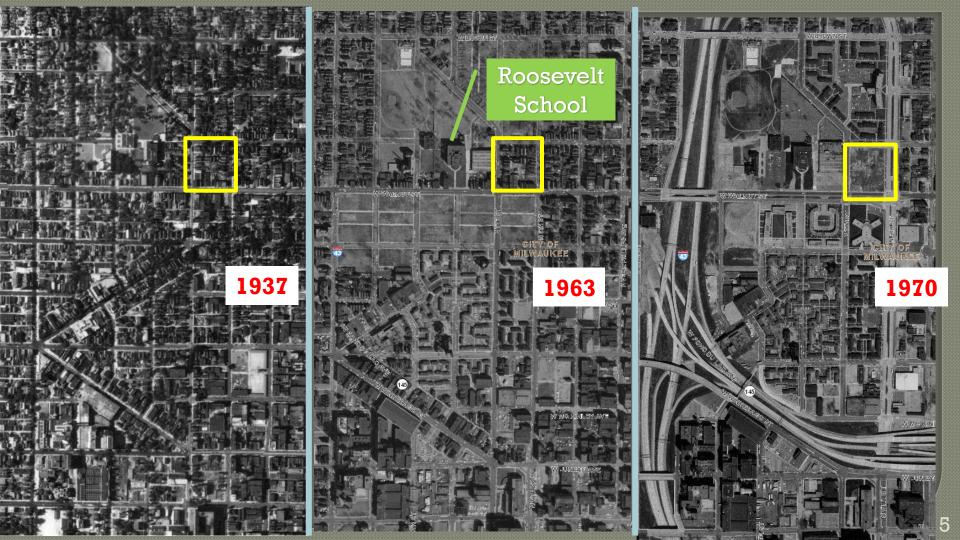


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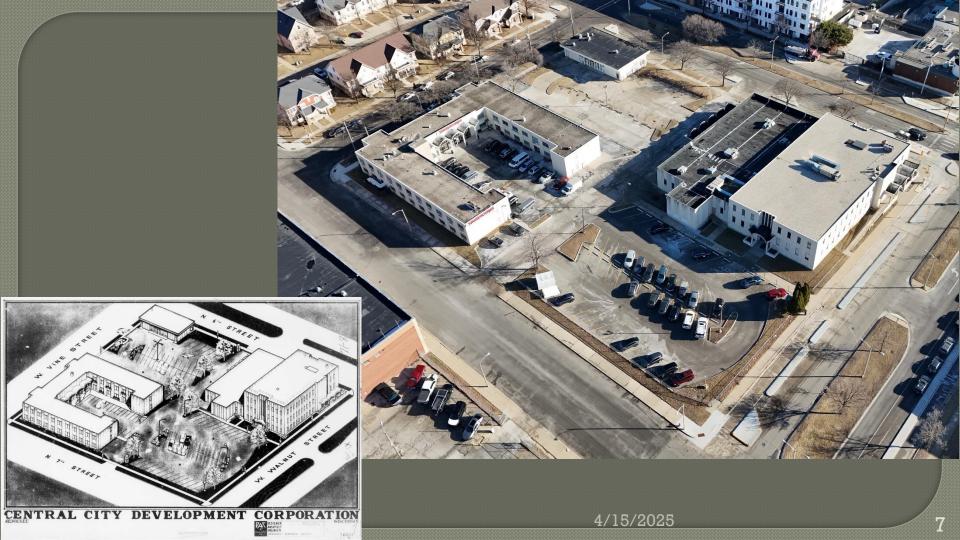






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Hillside has already Been cleared







F-1. ITS EXEMPLIFICATION AND DEVELOPMENT OF THE CULTURAL, ECONOMIC, SOCIAL OR HISTORIC HERITAGE OF THE CITY, STATE OF WISCONSIN OR THE UNITED STATES

Black Project in Core Plans an Unveiling

-Journal Photo by Ronald Overdahl

A new black busizess complex sits between N. 6th and N. 7th Sts., on N. Walnut, an area once lined with taveres



Milwaukee Public Library

F-3. ITS IDENTIFICATION WITH A PERSON OR PERSONS WHO SIGNIFICANTLY CONTRIBUTED TO THE CULTURE AND **DEVELOPMENT OF THE CITY.**

Images courtesy of Milwaukee Journal and Wisconsin Black Historical Society



Felmers O. Chaney (left) pointed out some of the features of the 54 unit motel complex which is among three buildings in a redeveloped block at 6th and Walnut. With him were Mrs. Eleanor A. Lofton and Atty. Clarence R. Parrish. The area was developed by the Central City Development Cons.

Project of Blacks **Becomes a Reality**

By Chris Lecos of The Journal Staff

old, rundown taverns, homes and buildings along a small stretch of W. Walnut St. They were torn down years ago by

the city. In their places rose a modest commercial venture of particular significance to Milwaukee's

The project consists of a cluster of three buildings in the block bounded by 6th, 7th, Walnut and Vine - all to be occupied by 13 black owned and operated businesses. Its combined owner, devel-

-Journal Photo

oper and catalyst is the Central City Development Corp. Its officers are black and almost all the 152 people who! ment.

bought \$94,000 in shares are black.

One would have to scratch City's backers will celebrate his memory to remember the the near completion of their shopping center with ribbon cutting ceremonies. Invitations have gone out to 1.250 per-

> Public officials from all levels of government, business Turn to Project. page 3. col. I

black community and to the whole concept of encouraging minority enterprise.

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F-5. ITS EMBODIMENT OF DISTINGUISHING CHARACTERISTICS OF AN ARCHITECTURAL TYPE OR SPECIMEN.

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MASTERPIECE LODGE



New Formalism

BOSTON STORE, BROOKFIELD SQUARE

CENTRAL CITY PLAZA

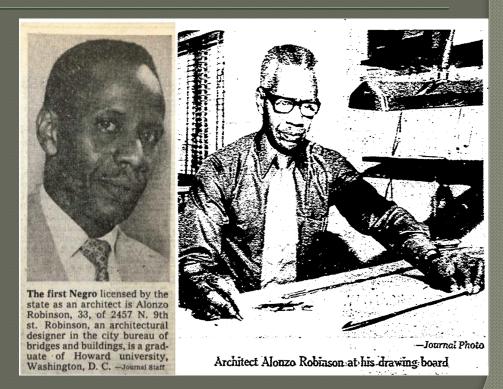


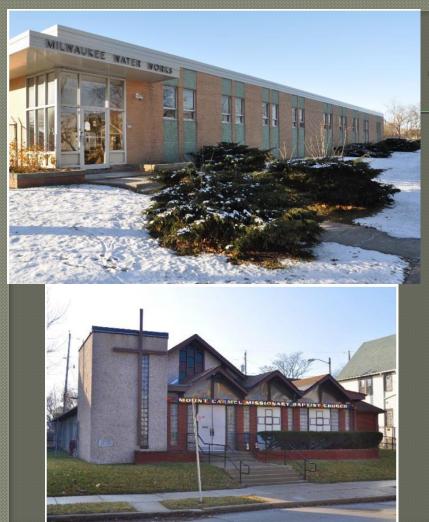
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F-6. ITS IDENTIFICATION AS THE WORK OF AN ARTIST, ARCHITECT, CRAFTSMAN OR MASTER BUILDER WHOSE INDIVIDUAL WORKS HAVE INFLUENCED THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE CITY.

- Raised in NC and DE
 WWII Veteran
 Howard University
 - Architecture degree
- First Black architect in Wisconsin
- One of his largest private commissions
 Extensive career with city and county

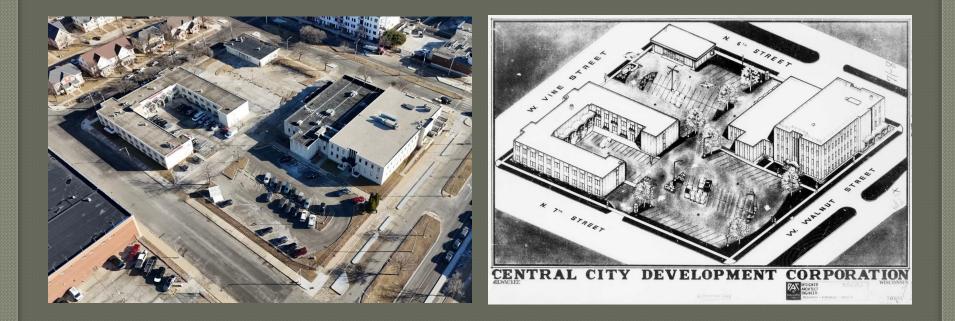




Alonzo Robinson



F-8. ITS RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER DISTINCTIVE AREAS WHICH ARE ELIGIBLE FOR PRESERVATION ACCORDING TO A PLAN BASED ON A HISTORIC, CULTURAL OR ARCHITECTURAL MOTIF.



F-9. ITS UNIQUE LOCATION AS A SINGULAR PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTIC WHICH REPRESENTS AN ESTABLISHED AND FAMILIAR VISUAL FEATURE OF A NEIGHBORHOOD, COMMUNITY OR THE CITY.

& SOCIAL SERVICES DEP

The Historic Preservation Commission recommends that the Central City Plaza be given permanent historic designation as a City of Milwaukee Historic Site as a result of its fulfillment of criteria f-1, f-3, f-5, f-6, f-8, and f-9 of the Historic Preservation Ordinance, Section 320-21(3) of the Milwaukee Code of Ordinances.