

# **ORDER OF RECOMMENDATION**

## **CITY OF TALLAHASSEE ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD**

**In Re: Application for Tallahassee-Leon County  
Register of Historic Places  
725 Park Avenue East – Collins House**

This matter came before the City of Tallahassee-Leon County Architectural Review Board (“ARB”) on June 3, 2026 upon the nomination form and application submitted by David Simmons of DBSKM&N Tallahassee Building Partnership.

### **ISSUE**

Whether the nominated property at 725 Park Avenue East (“Property”) meets the criteria established for listing in the Tallahassee-Leon County Register of Historic Places.

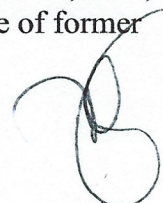
### **FINDINGS & CONCLUSIONS**

1. The applicant is David Simmons of DBSKM&N Tallahassee Building Partnership.
2. David Simmons of DBSKM&N Tallahassee Building Partnership has standing as the owner of the Property pursuant to Section 10-318(b), Tallahassee Land Development Code (“LDC”).
3. The ARB has jurisdiction to hear the application for listing in the Tallahassee-Leon County Register of Historic Places, also referred to as the Local Register, pursuant to Section 10-318(c), LDC.
4. The matter was noticed to the public at large on May 14, 2026 and notice was sent out to all owners of property within 500 feet of the Property on May 14, 2026, pursuant to Section 10-318(c) (3), LDC.
5. The applicants presented information indicating the Property meets the following criteria in Section 10-318(d) (1) a. and b., LDC.

### **APPLYING THE CRITERIA FOR LISTING ON THE LOCAL REGISTER (Sec. 10-318 (d) of the LDC**

A. The property possesses integrity of location, design, setting, materials, workmanship, feeling and association. The Collins House contributes to a National Register District, and retains its significant historical architecturally character defining features.

B. The property is associated with events or persons that are significant to local, state, or national history. The subject property, the Collins House, was the childhood home of former



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Florida Governor LeRoy Collins. The property additionally reflects broader patterns of Tallahassee's early twentieth century development.

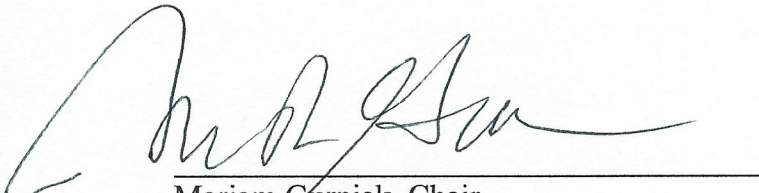
6. No public comments about the nomination were received prior to, or expressed at, the ARB meeting.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

The Property meets the criteria for historic designation set forth in Section 10-318(d)(1)a. and d., LDC, and the Property should be listed in the Local Register.

This recommendation is to be forwarded to the Planning Commission indicating the Property complies with the criteria for listing in the Local Register of Historic Places and requesting the application be processed pursuant to Section 10-318(c)(6), LDC.

APPROVED AND ENTERED UPON THE AFFIRMATIVE VOTE OF THE ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD this 6th day of June 2026.



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Mariam Gurniak, Chair

Cc: Mr. David Simmons, Applicant