

[EXTERNAL] Detroit Thermal - 1300 E Lafayette Cooperative

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To Historic District Commission (Staff) <hdc@detroitmi.gov>

Members of the Detroit Historical Commission

I am a resident of 1300 E Lafayette Cooperative.

We, as a cooperative, have researched extensively the various forms of heating available to us, and Detroit Thermal is the best solution. However, the longer this is delayed, the more costly this is for us. We have a varied socio-economic shareholder community, and some of us are on a fixed income and can not afford extensive, costly assessments. We do not want to displace our long-term shareholders. We have been without heat for extended periods in the past and are committed to ensuring that this never happens again.

We want to be good neighbors. Detroit Thermal has addressed the Mies cooperative's concerns and has suggested a plan with minimal impact on their property. We are not a registered historical site; however, our building is iconic in Lafayette Park, and we want to bring it back to its former stature as a well-maintained, welcoming building in the community. We need to get this project started so we are not without heat for the upcoming 2025/2026 heating season.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Lisa Marra