

SECTION 106 CONSULTING PARTIES MEETING

JUNE 4, 2020

FACILITATOR –

CYNTHIA ELMORE, LOUISVILLE METRO GOVERNMENT

PRESENTERS –

LAURA KINSELL-BAER/ASHLEY FOELL, MCCORMACK, BARON, SALAZAR

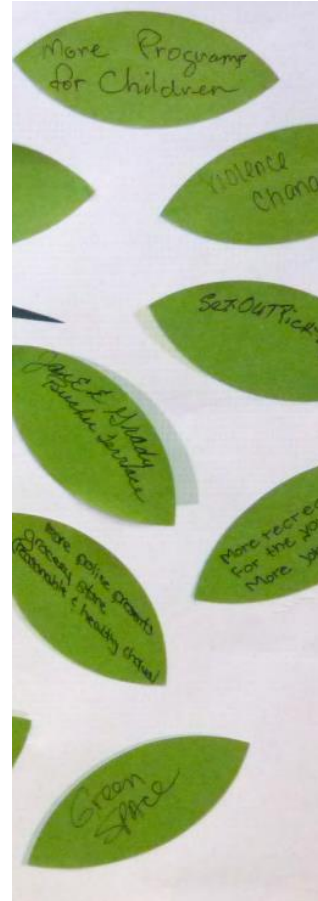
DARCY THOMPSON, LOUISVILLE STORY PROGRAM

ANNE BADER, CORN ISLAND ARCHAEOLOGY

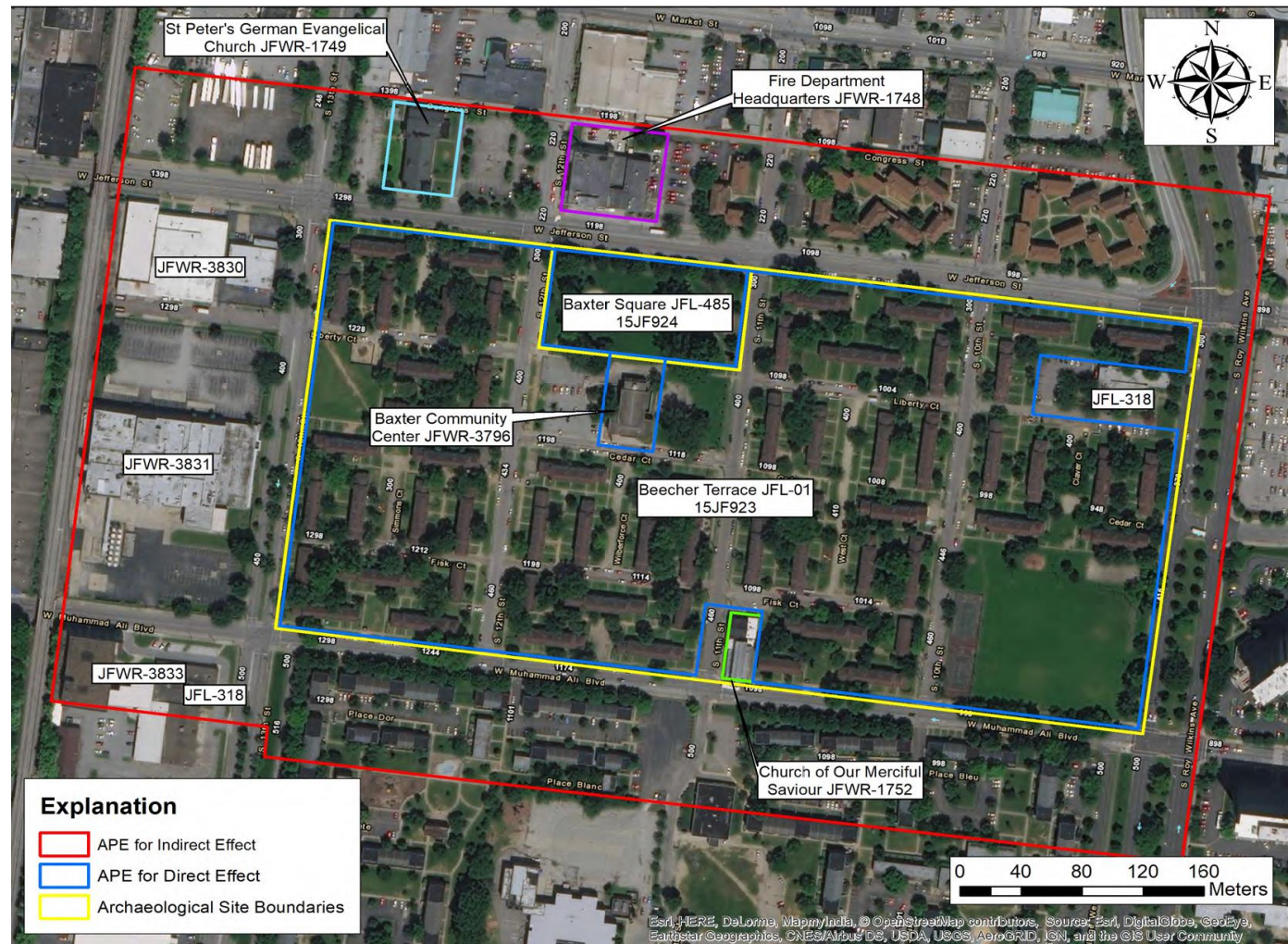
KATHLEEN O'NEIL/PAM BISCHOFF, LOUISVILLE METRO HOUSING AUTHORITY

Vision Russell Project Overview

- **People**
- **Housing**
- **Education**
- **Neighborhood**



Area of Potential Effect



Beecher Terrace Historic District



Public Residential Units



Baxter Community Center

Project Time Line

Stage I

Section 106 Compliance Phase 1 - 3

Demolition Phase 1 - 3

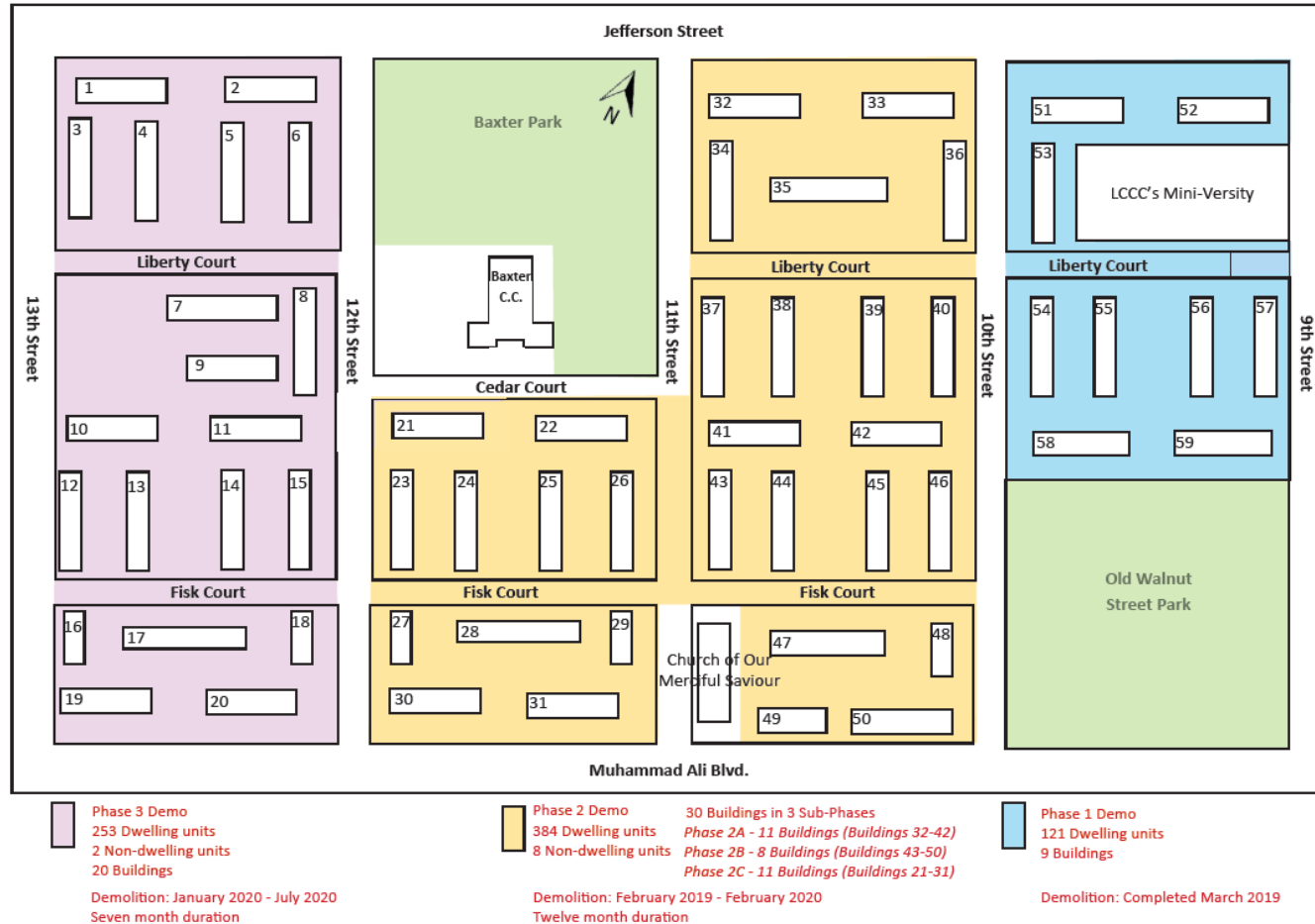
Construction Phase 1 - 7

Relocation Phase 1 - 3

- Known Impacts and Effects As of Jan. 1 2018**
- Phase I of Project Design and Construction
 - Phase I, II, and III of Demolition
 - Phase I, II, and III of Section 106 Compliance

Stage I: Demolition Update

Beecher Terrace Demolition Plan - Revised 4-2-2019





BEECHER CONCEPTUAL SITE PLAN

BEECHER SITE / LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY / AUGUST 2019

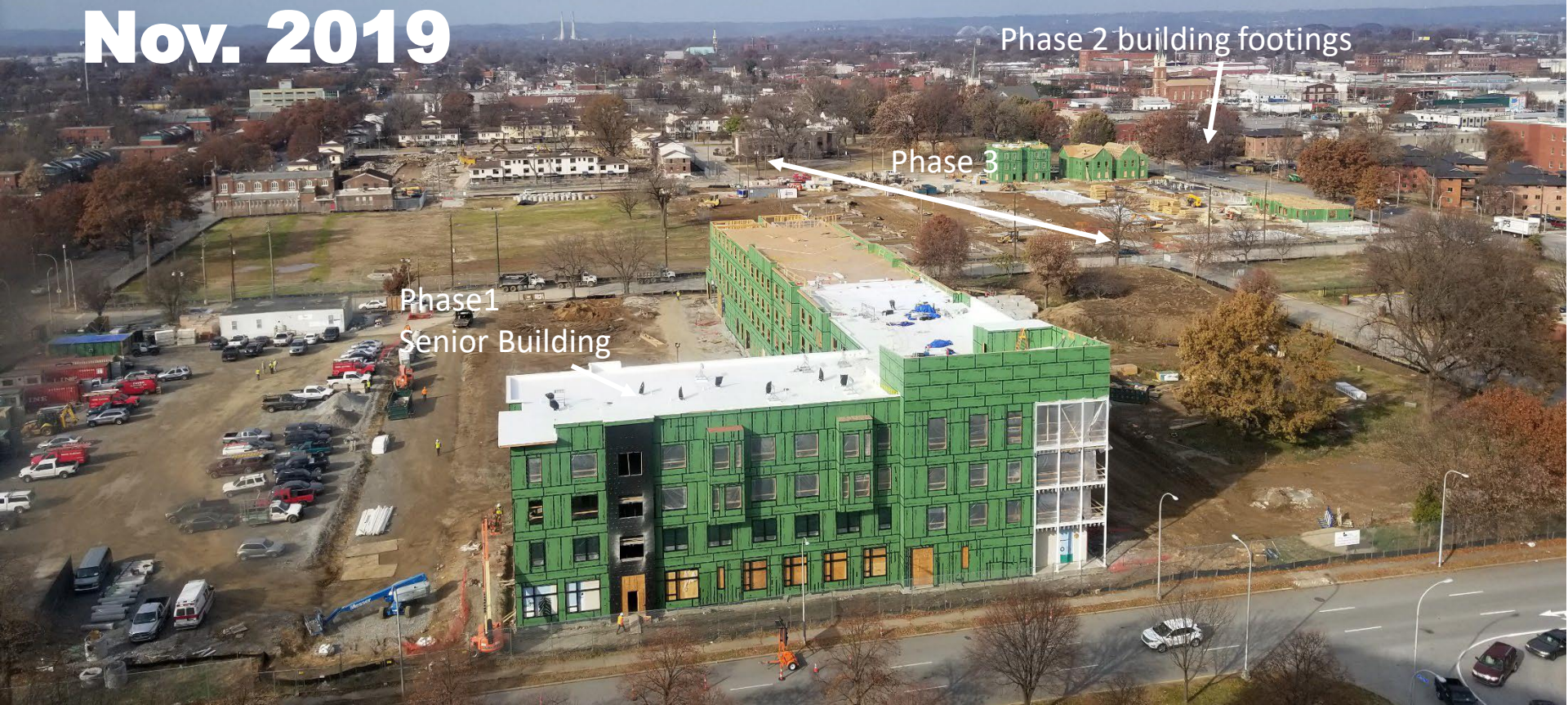


450 Roy Wilkins Ave. Update



Construction Progress

Nov. 2019



Phase 2 building footings

Phase 3

Phase 1
Senior Building

Construction Progress

Feb. 2020



Beecher 3 Site Plan



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- Phase 1
- Phase 2
- Phase 3

Beecher 3 Rendering



Beecher 4 & 5 Concept



BEECHER TERRACE -
PROPOSED PHASES 4 & 5

OCTOBER 14, 2019

- Phase 1
- Phase 2
- Phase 3

WESTERN ARCHIVES

Natalie Woods – Branch Manager

The **BEECHER TERRACE** *Story*



A DOCUMENTARY FILM BY LAVEL D. WHITE

LOUISVILLE
STORY
PROGRAM

Cornerstones of Russell

Progress Report for
June 2020 Beecher Terrace Consulting Parties Meeting

Data Recovery / Public Participation

Anne Bader

BEECHER TERRACE ARCHAEOLOGY

Corn Island Archaeology LLC, a cultural resources consulting firm in Jeffersonstown, is currently conducting archaeological investigations at Beecher Terrace. Their work is a necessary part of the Choice Neighborhood Implementation grant that was awarded to Louisville in December 2016. Grant dollars, along with additional funding, will be used to relocate Beecher households, raze the existing buildings and redevelop the site into a new energy-efficient, mixed-income housing community.

Archeological work first began in January 2017 when preliminary excavations were done across the site. The buried objects (artifacts) found during Corn Island's initial work demonstrated that Beecher is eligible for the National Register of Historic Place. After a year-long consultation process, further study was approved for the site.

Before Beecher Terrace was developed in 1939, the 31.4 acre site contained more than 380 historic lots on its 12 blocks. A sample of these lots have been selected for further excavation. The majority of the work will occur within the archaeological site designated "15JF923". Numerous buried structures, including privies, cisterns, and foundations from late 19th and early 20th century residential and commercial buildings, are located within this area.

Lots were chosen to sample segments of the population that once lived in the area. Extensive research through census and deed records have provided the names, occupations, and ethnicities of the former occupants, with included both eastern and western European immigrants, African American professionals, and native-born Americans.

A major objective of the current archaeological project is to tell the story of specific individuals and families, especially of the multiple educated professional African Americans who contributed to this community. The stories of eastern European immigrants will also be examined. Together, information on these two groups will fill a gap in the data on Louisville's historic population.

The artifacts recovered during this project will be washed, labeled, and stored at the University of Louisville to be available for future study. Some of the artifacts will go on display here at Beecher Terrace.

To learn more about this project, please go to www.VisionRussell.org where regular updates will be provided. Information on when you can visit the site to learn more from the archaeologists' work will be posted on the website. You can also watch for updates and news on the Facebook page for Corn Island Archaeology.



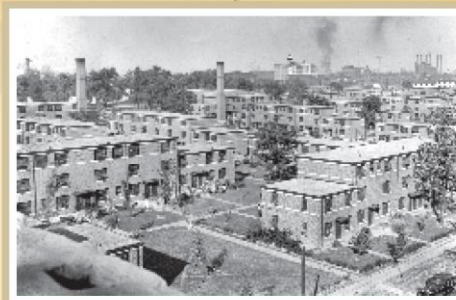
A Sam Booker pottery crock



Recovered Coca-Cola bottles



Chamber pots recovered from the site



Original Beecher Terrace buildings, circa 1940's.

Archaeology is a means of learning about how people lived long ago. It provides more detailed information on past day-to-day living than is usually found in history books or other written records.

By examining the objects that people left behind as trash, archaeologists can piece together details of their activities at home, in the workplace, and other institutions like school and church. Because there was no regular trash collection service, items that could not be burned were often thrown into the privy (outhouse), where they remain preserved for archaeologists to find.

The objects archaeologists find can help reveal a location's use, the dates it was occupied, the income level of its occupants, along with the kinds of food they ate, and sometimes, even their religious affiliation and ethnicity. Artifacts collected from a site can also show where people bought the necessities for daily life, whether it locally or from big cities in the east. Recovered medicine bottles can tell us information about the types of ailments that plagued residents. Changes in artifact collections from one decade to another might show periods of economic hardship or prosperity. All of this and more can be learned from the study of recovered artifacts.



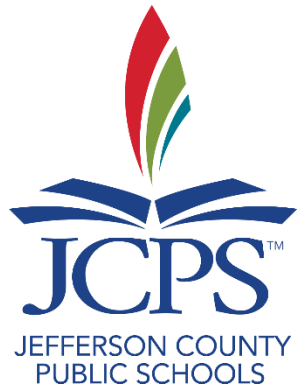
Archaeologists uncovering a beehive-dome cistern at Beecher Terrace.



Corn Island Archaeologists at work in an excavation trench



Recovered artifacts ready for washing and cataloguing.



- Inquiry Based Learning Curriculum
 - Elementary, Middle, High School
- Artifact Learning Kits
- Exhibit at Frazier History Museum
- Permanent Installation at new Beecher Terrace
- Summer Archaeology Camp at Frazier Museum

Quarterly Meeting Schedule

Future Quarterly Consulting Parties Meetings

First Thursday, 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm

- Early September 2020 – Thursday, September 3, 2020
- Early December 2020 – Thursday, December 3, 2020
- Early March 2021 – Thursday, March 4, 2021
- Early June 2020 – Thursday, June 3, 2021

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