

## Memorandum Planning & Development Services Division

To: Planning and Public Works Committee

From: Aimee Nassif, Planning and Development Services Director

**Date:** July 8, 2013

RE: <u>Chesterfield Historic and Landmark Preservation Committee Project Request</u>



The Chesterfield Historic and Landmark Preservation Committee (CHLPC) is before this Committee to request authorization to engage in a new project for kids during the next few months. Tom Rothwell, a member of the CHLPC, is in attendance to provide the specifics of this endeavor however a brief description is also provided below for you.

In an attempt to engage children and students of all ages and to increase their interest and knowledge of their community, the CHLPC came up with an idea for a research assignment or contest. Interested Chesterfield families are challenged to research the history of their subdivision they live in and try to find out about the history of the area, the inhabitants, who built their subdivision, etc. Families would then submit their findings to the CHLPC Chair Lynn Johnson and the entire CHLPC will review the findings and recognize the work of each family that participated.

If this project idea is approved by the PPW Committee, a news release will be sent out to the local media and area subdivision trustees via email in addition to information being included on the City's website. Below is the news release prepared by the Chair Lynn Johnson:

## RESEARCH OPPORTUNITY FOR CHESTERFIELD FAMILIES

Would you like to know if an Indian village, a farmhouse, or a cornfield used to be where your neighborhood is now? The Chesterfield Historic and Landmarks Preservation Committee would like families of school age children to do some research on the history of their subdivision or neighborhood.

Try to find answers to questions like:

- 1. Have any archeological artifacts been found?
- 2. What was on the land in the late nineteenth century?
- 3. When was your subdivision or neighborhood built and who was the developer?
- 4. Can you find pictures from soon after the subdivision construction?
- 5. Who has lived in the subdivision the longest? Ask them what it used to be like.
- 6. Did any famous people live there?
- 7. What traditions does your neighborhood have?



- 8. What schools do the children in your neighborhood attend?
- 9. Have any memorable events happened in your area?

Please send your research to the above committee (CHLPC) either by email attachment (<a href="mailto:Doscielo@AOL.com">Doscielo@AOL.com</a>) or by mail (CHLPC, Chesterfield City Hall, 690 Chesterfield Parkway W, Chesterfield, MO 63017.) All submissions will be recognized by the City.

Respectfully submitted,

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