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Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council President at the request of the Jacksonville Historic Preservation Commission

Date of Introduction: October 10, 2023

Committee(s) of Reference: LUZ

Date of Analysis: October 12, 2023

Type of Action: Designation of local historic landmark; directions to City officials

Bill Summary: The bill designates a commercial building at 930 North University Boulevard in Arlington as a local historic landmark and directs the Chief of Legislative Services to notify the property owner and the Property Appraiser's Office of the designation. The Zoning Administrator is directed to enter the historic designation on the Zoning Atlas.

Background Information: The building to be designated is the former Arlington Federal Savings and Loan bank located on University Boulevard at its intersection with the Arlington Expressway. It was designed in the Midcentury Modern style popular from the 1950s to the early 1970s and was constructed in 1961-62. The Historic Preservation Commission finds that the building meets 4 of the criteria meriting historic designation: 1) its value as a significant reminder of the cultural, historical, architectural, or archaeological heritage of the City, state or nation; 2) it is identified as the work of a master builder, designer, or architect whose individual work has influenced the development of the City, state or nation (architect Edwin Reeder); 3) its value as a building is recognized for the quality of its architecture, and it retains sufficient elements showing its architectural significance; and 4) its suitability for preservation or restoration. The owner of the property opposes the landmark designation and plans to demolish the building for another use.

Policy Impact Area: Historic landmark designation

Fiscal Impact: None to the City

Analyst: Clements