

# MINUTES OF THE HOUSTON ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Wednesday, June 13, 2007

Meeting Held at the  
City Hall Annex  
Council Chamber  
Public Level  
900 Bagby Street  
3:00 PM

An audio-tape of the full proceedings is on file  
at the Planning and Development Department

## CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 3:07 p.m. by Madame Chair, Mrs. Betty Chapman, with a quorum present. The following Commission members noted with "P" were present during all or portions of the meeting and the members noted with "A" were absent.

Betty Chapman, Madame Chair	P
Phoebe Tudor, Vice Chair	P
J. D. Bartell	A
Sharie Beale	P
Faye Bryant	P
Paul Fruge Jr.	P
Rafael Longoria	A
Dr. Roger G. Moore	P
C. K. Pang	P
Dr. Suraiya Saleem	P
Scott Slaney	A

There was no report from the Chair

There was no Director's Report.

## APPROVAL of the May 23, 2007 HOUSTON ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND HISTORICAL COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

Motion was made by Mrs. Beale, seconded by Mrs. Bryant, to approve the May 23, 2007, Houston Archaeological and Historical Commission meeting minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Mrs. Beale, seconded by Mr. Fruge, to consider Agenda Item III at this time. Motion carried unanimously.

## III. PUBLIC HEARING AND CONSIDERATION OF INITIATION BY HAHC OF THE LANDMARK DESIGNATION APPLICATIONS FOR:

- a. ALABAMA THEATRE AT 2922 S. SHEPHERD INCLUDING THE ALABAMA SHOPPING CENTER 2900 TO 2946 S. SHEPHERD DRIVE ( WEST SIDE OF THE 2900 BLOCK OF S. SHEPHERD BETWEEN KIPLING AND W. ALABAMA)

Madame Chair opened and closed the public hearing after the speakers.

Speaker: Sarah Gish

Motion was made by Mrs. Beale, seconded by Dr. Moore, to accept staff's recommendation that the HAHC recommends to the Houston Planning Commission the Landmark Designation of Alabama Theatre at 2922 S. Shepherd including the Alabama Shopping Center at 2900 to 2946 S. Shepherd Drive (west side of the 2900 block of S. Shepherd between Kipling and W. Alabama). Motion carried unanimously.

**b. RIVER OAKS THEATRE AT 2009 W. GRAY INCLUDING THE RIVER OAKS COMMUNITY SHOPPING CENTER AT 1952 TO 2050 W. GRAY (NORTH AND SOUTH SIDES OF W. GRAY BETWEEN DRISCOLL AND S. SHEPHERD DRIVE)**

Madame Chair opened and closed the public hearing after the speakers.

Speakers: Sarah Gish, David Bush, Catherine Moore and Lynn Edmondson

Motion was made by Mrs. Beale, seconded by Mrs. Tudor, to accept staff's recommendation that the HAHC recommends to the Houston Planning Commission the Landmark Designation of River Oaks Theatre at 2009 W. Gray including the River Oaks Community Shopping Center – 1952 TO 2050 W. Gray (north and south sides of W. Gray between Driscoll and S. Shepherd Drive). Motion carried unanimously.

The HAHC resumed the meeting in accordance with the order of the remaining agenda items.

**I. PUBLIC HEARING AND CONSIDERATION OF AMENDMENTS TO THE HISTORIC PRESERVATION ORDINANCE REGARDING THE OLD SIXTH WARD PROPOSED PROTECTED HISTORIC DISTRICT AND DESIGN GUIDELINES FOR THE OLD SIXTH WARD PROPOSED PROTECTED HISTORIC DISTRICT.**

An overview of the Ordinance amendments and Design Guidelines were presented to the HAHC by Planning Staff. Madame Chair opened and closed the public hearing after the speakers.

Speakers: Diane Morin, Larissa Lindsay, Sam Romeo, Janice Garuis, Maria Isabel, Jane Cahill, Gary Bumpass and Jerry Harper.

Motion was made by Mrs. Bryant, seconded by Ms. Tudor, to recommend adoption of the Amendments to Chapter 33, Article VII of the Code of Ordinances, which was amended that all properties located within the boundary of the Proposed Protected Old Sixth Ward Historic District would be subject to the ordinance amendment. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Dr. Moore, seconded by Mrs. Beale, to recommend adoption of the Design Guidelines for the Proposed Protected Old Sixth Ward Historic District. Motion passed with Mr. Pang and Mr. Fruge opposing.

**II. CONSIDERATION OF CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS APPLICATIONS FOR:**

**a. 1417 Congress Avenue – Place Hotel Building – (Alteration - Signs)**

Motion was made by Mrs. Bryant, seconded by Mrs. Beale, to accept staff's recommendation to approve item IIa. Motion carried unanimously.

**b. 4520 Washington Avenue – Fire Station # 11 – (Restoration)**

Motion was made by Mrs. Beale, seconded by Mrs. Bryant, to accept staff's recommendation to approve item IIb. Motion carried unanimously.

**c. 731 W. Cottage Street – Norhill Historic District – (Alteration – Rear Addition)**

Motion was made by Dr. Moore, seconded by Mr. Pang, to accept staff's recommendation to approve item IIc. Motion carried unanimously.

**d. 1119 Winston Street - Norhill Historic District – (Restoration)**

Motion was made by Dr. Saleem, seconded by Mrs. Beale, to accept staff's recommendation to approve item IId. Motion carried unanimously.

**e. 702 Avondale Street – Avondale W. Historic District – (pending) - (New construction - carport)**  
Motion was made by Ms. Beale, seconded by Mrs. Bryant, to accept staff's recommendation to approve item IIe. Motion carried unanimously.

#### VI. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC AND HAHC

None

#### V. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to bring before the commission, Madame Chair, Mrs. Betty Chapman, adjourned the meeting at 5:40 p. m. after a motion was made by Ms. Beale, seconded by Ms. Tudor.

  
Betty Trapp Chapman  
Madame Chair

  
Marlene L. Gafrick  
Executive Secretary