

# MINUTES OF THE HOUSTON ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Thursday, February 12, 2009  
Meeting Held at the City Hall Annex, Council Chamber, Public Level  
900 Bagby Street, Houston TX 77002  
3:00 PM

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in the Planning and Development Department

## CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 3:05 p.m. by 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, Chair	P
Phoebe Tudor, Vice Chair	P
J. D. Bartell	P
Sharie Beale	P
Fernando Brave	P
Faye Bryant	P
Douglas Elliott	P
Paul Fruge Jr.	P
Dr. Roger G. Moore	P
C. K. Pang	A
Venita Ray	P

The Chair's Report was given by Commissioner Betty Chapman.

The Director's Report was given by Michael Schaffer, Deputy Director, Planning and Development Department.

The Mayor's Cultural Affairs Report was given by Minnette Boesel, Assistant for Cultural Affairs.

## APPROVAL OF THE JANUARY 15, 2009 HOUSTON ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND HISTORICAL COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

Motion was made by Mr. Bartell, seconded by Mrs. Beale, to approve the January 15, 2009, Houston Archaeological and Historical Commission meeting minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Mrs. Beale, seconded by Mrs. Bryant to take Item III a and b out of order at this time. Motion carried unanimously.

### III. PUBLIC HEARING AND CONSIDERATION OF LANDMARK AND PROTECTED LANDMARK DESIGNATION APPLICATIONS INITIATED BY THE OWNERS:

#### a. Henry Brashear Building – 910 Prairie Avenue

Motion was made by Mr. Brave, seconded by Mrs. Tudor, to accept staff's recommendation that the Houston Archaeological and Historical Commission recommends to the Houston Planning Commission the Landmark and Protected Landmark Designation of the Henry Brashear Building at 910 Prairie Avenue. Motion carried unanimously. Staff announced that the Planning Commission would consider the application at their public hearing on February 19, 2009.

Mr. Bartell recused himself on item IIIb.

**b. Francois and Marie Tajan House – 1801 Lubbock Street (aka 615-617 Sabine Street)**

Motion was made by Mrs. Beale, seconded by Mrs. Bryant, to accept staff's recommendation that the Houston Archaeological and Historical Commission recommends to the Houston Planning Commission the Landmark and Protected Landmark Designation of the Francois and Marie Tajan House at 1801 Lubbock Street (aka 615-617 Sabine Street). Motion carried unanimously. Staff announced that the Planning Commission would consider the application at their public hearing on February 19, 2009.  
Speaker: Ann Guercio - supportive.

**Mr. Bartell returned.**

**I. CONSIDERATION OF CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS APPLICATIONS:**

The chair announced public hearings and consideration of Certificates of Appropriateness for agenda items Ia, Ib, Ig, Ih, Ii, Ij, Ik and IL. Items Ic, Id, Ie and If are removed for separate consideration.

Staff recommendation: Approve Items: Ia, Ib, Ig, Ih, Ii, Ij, Ik and IL.

**a. 1813 Decatur Street – Old Sixth Ward Protected Historic District – (Alteration – Garage)**

**b. 1243 Columbia Street – Houston Heights Historic District East – (New Construction – Garage)**

**g. 4001 Pineridge Street – Norhill Historic District– (Alteration – Residence)**

**h. 811 Pizer Street – Norhill Historic District – (New Construction - Garage)**

**i. 610 W. Alabama Street – Audubon Place Historic District - Pending– (Alteration – Sign)**

**j. 1514 Wilson Street – Tomasino House – Protected Landmark – (Restoration/Residence)**

**k. 1404 Victor Street – Freedmen's Town Cottage – Protected Landmark - (Restoration – Residence)**

**l. 1918 Hickory Street – Mallalieu United Methodist Church Parsonage – Landmark - (Alteration – Parsonage)**

Motion was made by Mrs. Beale, seconded by Mrs. Bryant, to accept staff's recommendation to approve items Ia, Ib, Ig, Ih, Ii, Ij, Ik and IL. Motion carried unanimously.

**The Houston Archaeological and Historical Commission continued with the remaining agenda items in the order that they appeared on the agenda.**

**c. 1131 Oxford Street – Houston Heights Historic District East – (Demolition – Residence)**

Motion was made by Mr. Fruge, seconded by Mr. Bartell, to accept staff's recommendation to deny item Ic. Motion carried unanimously.

**d. 505 W. 14<sup>th</sup> Street – Houston Heights Historic District West – (Demolition – Garage Apartment)**

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

**e. 931 W. Cottage Street – Norhill Historic District – (Demolition – Residence)**

Motion was made by Mr. Elliot, seconded by Mrs. Beale, to accept staff's recommendation to approve agenda item Ie. Motion carried unanimously.

Speakers: Larry Albert and Lynn Edmondson - supportive.

**f. 1140 W. Cottage Street. – Norhill Historic District West – (Demolition – Residence)**

Motion was made by Mr. Bartell, seconded by Dr. Moore, to accept staff's recommendation to approve agenda item If. Motion carried with Mr. Elliot opposed.

Speaker: Matthew Walker and Robert Kenney – supportive.

**II. PUBLIC HEARING AND CONSIDERATION OF LANDMARK DESIGNATION APPLICATION INITIATED BY THE OWNER FOR THE WILLIAM T. CAMPBELL, JR., HOUSE AT 3237 INWOOD DRIVE**

Motion was made by Mrs. Beale, seconded by Mrs. Tudor, to accept staff's recommendation that the Houston Archaeological and Historical Commission recommends to the Houston Planning Commission the Landmark Designation of the William T. Campbell, Jr. House at 3237 Inwood Drive. Motion carried unanimously. Staff announced that the Planning Commission would consider the application at their public hearing on February 19, 2009.

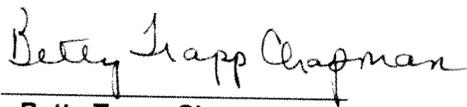
Speaker: Mike Weill – supportive.

**IV. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC AND THE HOUSTON ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND HISTORICAL COMMISSION**

NONE

**V. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business brought before the commission, Chair, Mrs. Betty Trapp Chapman, adjourned the meeting at 4:30 p.m. Motion was made by Mr. Bartell, seconded by Ms. Ray.



**Betty Trapp Chapman**  
Chair



**Marlene L. Gafrick**  
Executive Secretary