

# MINUTES OF THE HOUSTON ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Thursday, January 14, 2010  
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 3:06 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	A
J. D. Bartell	P
Sharie Beale	A
Deborah Blacklock-Sloan	P – Arrived at 3:19 p.m. during discussion of item I
Fernando Brave	P – Arrived at 3:12 p.m. during discussion of item I
Faye B. Bryant	P
Douglas Elliott	P
Paul Fruge Jr.	P
Rob D. Hellyer	P
Dr. Roger G. Moore	P
Venita Ray	P
Maverick Welsh	P

## CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

NONE

## DIRECTOR'S REPORT

NONE

## MAYOR'S CULTURAL LIAISON REPORT

The Mayor's Cultural Liaison report was given by Minnette Boesel, the Mayor's Assistant for Cultural Affairs.

## APPROVAL OF THE DECEMBER 10, 2009 HOUSTON ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND HISTORICAL COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

Motion was made by Ms. Ray, seconded by Mr. Welsh, to approve the December 10, 2009, Houston Archaeological and Historical Commission meeting minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

### I. PRESENTATION OF DESIGN GUIDELINES FOR AVONDALE EAST AND WEST, AUDUBON PLACE, AND WESTMORELAND HISTORIC DISTRICTS

The presentation of Design Guidelines for Avondale East and West, Audubon Place, and Westmoreland Historic Districts are presented by Jonathan Smulian, a Consultant for the City of Houston.

Motion was made by Mr. Bartell, seconded by Mrs. Bryant to take Items III-a - III-b and Item IV-a out of order and present them at this time. Motion carried unanimously.

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

**a. Shaw House – 2912 Helena Street**

The Chair opened and closed the public hearing after the speakers spoke.

Motion was made by Mr. Welsh, seconded by Mr. Brave, to accept staff's recommendation that the Houston Archaeological and Historical Commission recommends to the Houston Planning Commission the Landmark Designation of the Shaw House at 2912 Helena Street. Motion carried unanimously. Staff announced that the Planning Commission would consider the application at their public hearing on January 21, 2010.

Speakers for item III-a: Britt and Rebecca Nolan – supportive.

**b. William Fairchild House – 2911 Ella Lee Lane**

The Chair opened and closed the public hearing; there were no speakers.

Motion was made by Mr. Bartell, seconded by Mrs. Blacklock-Sloan, to accept staff's recommendation that the Houston Archaeological and Historical Commission recommends to the Houston Planning Commission the Landmark Designation of the William Fairchild House at 2911 Ella Lee Lane. Motion carried unanimously. Staff announced that the Planning Commission would consider the application at their public hearing on January 21, 2010.

**IV. PUBLIC HEARING AND CONSIDERATION OF PROTECTED LANDMARK DESIGNATION APPLICATION INITIATED BY THE OWNER:**

**a. Windward Court Apartments – 901 Rosalie Street**

The Chair opened and closed the public hearing after the speakers spoke.

Motion was made by Mrs. Bryant, seconded by Mr. Brave, to accept staff's recommendation that the Houston Archaeological and Historical Commission recommends to the Houston Planning Commission the Protected Landmark Designation of the Windward Court Apartments at 901 Rosalie Street. Motion carried unanimously. Staff announced that the Planning Commission would consider the application at their public hearing on January 21, 2010.

Speakers for item IV-a: Artie Tropoli and Courtney Tardy – supportive.

**The remainder of the agenda items are being taken in order at this time.**

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

**a. 24 Courtlandt Place – Courtlandt Place Historic District - (Alterations – Residence & Garage)**

Motion was made by Dr. Moore, seconded by Mr. Welsh, to accept staff's recommendation to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness Application for item I-a. Motion carried unanimously.

**b. 708 Avondale Street – Avondale West Historic District West - (Alteration – Residence)**

Motion was made by Mr. Bartell, seconded by Mr. Welsh, to accept staff's recommendation to deny the Certificate of Appropriateness Application for item I-b. Motion carried with Mr. Elliott and Mr. Hellyer opposed.

Speaker for item I-b: Robert Birner – supportive.

**c. 1822 Cortlandt Street – Houston Heights Historic District East – (Alteration – Residence)**

Motion was made by Mr. Bartell, seconded by Mr. Welsh, to accept staff's recommendation to deny the Certificate of Appropriateness Application for item I-c. Motion carried unanimously.

**d. 1617 Columbia Street – Houston Heights Historic District East – (New Construction – Residence)**

Motion was made by Ms. Ray, seconded by Mrs. Blacklock-Sloan, to accept staff's recommendation to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness Application for item I-d. Motion carried unanimously.

**e. 1826-South Boulevard – Boulevard Oaks Historic District– (New Construction – Residence)**

Motion was made by Mr. Moore, seconded by Mrs. Bryant, to accept staff's recommendation to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness Application for item I-e. Motion carried unanimously.  
Speaker for item I-e: Jack McBride – supportive.

**f. 1230 Cortlandt Street – Houston Heights Historic District East - (Alteration – Residence)**

Motion was made by Mr. Bartell, seconded by Mr. Welsh, to accept staff's recommendation to deny the Certificate of Appropriateness Application for item I-f. Motion carried unanimously.

**g. 1401 Tulane Street – Houston Heights Historic District West - (Alteration – Residence)**

Motion was made by Mr. Brave, seconded by Mr. Hellyer, to accept staff's recommendation to deny the Certificate of Appropriateness Application for item I-g. Motion carried unanimously.

**h. 1817 Decatur Street – Old Sixth Ward Protected Historic District – (Alteration – Addition)**

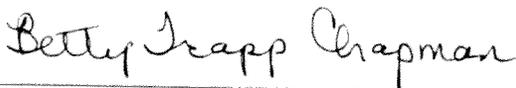
Motion was made by Mr. Welsh, seconded by Mr. Brave, to accept staff's recommendation to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness Application for item I-h. Motion carried unanimously. Mr. Bartell recused himself.

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

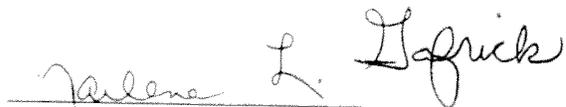
NONE

**VI. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business brought before the commission, Chair, Mrs. Betty Chapman, adjourned the meeting at 4:59 p.m. Motion was made by Mr. Elliott, seconded by Mr. Fruge.



**Betty Trapp Chapman**  
Chair



**Marlene L. Gafrick**  
Executive Secretary