

**MINUTES OF THE HOUSTON ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND HISTORICAL
COMMISSION**

**Thursday, January 12, 2012
Meeting Held at the City Hall Annex, Council Chamber, Public Level
900 Bagby Street, Houston TX 77002
3:00 PM**

**A CD of the full proceedings is on file
in the Planning and Development Department**

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 3:03 p.m. by Chair, Mrs. Phoebe Tudor, 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.

Phoebe Tudor, Chair	P
Deborah Blacklock-Sloan	P
Venita Ray	P
Romulo Tim Cisneros	P arrived at 3:14 during item 1a
Ann Collum	P
Douglas Elliott	P
John Cosgrove	P
Rob D. Hellyer	P
Dr. William H. Kellar	P
Jorge Garcia-Herreros	P
Charles Stava	P
Maverick Welsh	P arrived at 3:13 during item 1a
David Bucek	P

**OATH OF OFFICE – NEW MEMBER OF HOUSTON ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND HISTORICAL
COMMISSION**

The Oath of Office was administered by Chair, Mrs. Phoebe Tudor to new member: Jorge Garcia-Herreros.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Chair, Phoebe Tudor welcomed and introduced new member Jorge Garcia-Herreros.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The Director's report was given by Michael Schaffer, Deputy Director, Planning and Development. He informed the members of the Commission that staff will have training for the Commission prior to the regular scheduled meetings in February, March and possibly April to go over the revisions to the Historic Ordinance and get feedback from the commission members about the process and the intent of the ordinance.

MAYOR'S CULTURAL LIAISON REPORT

No report given.

APPROVAL OF THE DECEMBER 8, 2011 HOUSTON ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND HISTORICAL COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

Motion was made by Mr. Hellyer, seconded by Ms. Collum, to approve the corrected December 8, 2011 Houston Archaeological and Historical Commission meeting minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

I. CONSIDERATION OF CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS APPLICATIONS:

Motion was made by Mr. Hellyer, seconded by Dr. Kellar to take agenda items I-c, I-e, I-g, I-h, I-m, I-n, I-o, I-p together as consent agenda items and address them at this time. Motion carried unanimously.

- c. 1016 W. Cottage – Norhill Historic District (Demolition – Garage)**
- e. 1020 Columbia Street – Houston Heights Historic District South (Alteration – NC Garage)**
- g. 1919 Lubbock Street – Old Sixth Ward Historic District (Alteration – NC Residence)**
- h. 1245 Tulane Street – Houston Heights Historic District West (Alteration – Rear Porch)**
- m. 1625 Arlington Street – Houston Heights Historic District East (Alteration – NC Residence)**
- n. 1625 Arlington Street – Houston Heights Historic District East (New Construction – Garage)**
- o. 1637 Columbia Street – Houston Heights Historic District East (Alteration – Addition)**
- p. 1806 Harvard Street – Houston Heights Historic District East (New Construction – Garage)**

Motion made by Mr. Hellyer, seconded by Mrs. Blacklock-Sloan, to grant Certificates of Appropriateness to all consent items. Motion carried unanimously.

a. 1615 Columbia Street – Houston Heights Historic East (Alteration – Addition)

Motion was made by Mr. Hellyer, seconded by Mr. Cisneros, to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness for item I-a with stipulation that existing undamaged siding and windows be retained and only damaged materials may be replaced with new like materials. Motion carried with Ms. Ray, Mrs. Blacklock-Sloan and Mr. Bucek opposing.

Speaker: Sam Gianukos, applicant – supportive.

b. 1522 Columbia Street - Houston Heights Historic District East (Alteration – Addition)

Motion was made by Mr. Elliott, seconded by Mr. Welsh to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness for item I-b. Motion carried with Ms. Ray and Mrs. Blacklock Sloan opposing.

Speakers: Jeremy McFarland and David Gordon, applicants – supportive.

d. 1101 Heights Blvd. - Houston Heights Historic District East (Alteration – Foundation)

Motion was made by Mr. Bucek, seconded by Mr. Welsh to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness for item I-d. Motion carried unanimously.

Speaker: Mark Van Doren, applicant – supportive.

f. 1131 Cortlandt Street – Houston Heights Historic District East (Alteration – Revision)

Motion was made by Mr. Welsh, seconded by Mr. Cosgrove to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness for item I-f. Motion carried unanimously.

Speaker: Colin Shelton, applicant – supportive.

i. 912 Cortlandt Street - Houston Heights Historic District South (New Construction – Carport)

Motion was made by Mr. Bucek, seconded by Mr. Cisneros to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness for item I-i. Motion carried unanimously.

j. 930 Harvard Street - Houston Heights Historic District South (Alteration – Addition)

Motion was made by Mr. Welsh, seconded by Ms. Ray to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness for item I-j. Motion carried unanimously.

k. 1411 Tulane Street - Houston Heights Historic District West (Alteration – Windows)

Motion was made by Mr. Welsh, seconded by Mr. Hellyer to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness for item I-k. Motion carried with Ms. Collum, Mr. Elliott and Mr. Garcia-Herreros opposing, and Mr. Stava abstaining.

l. 1721 North Blvd. – Boulevard Oaks Historic District (New Construction – Garage)

Motion was made Mr. Elliott, seconded by Mr. Cisneros to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness for item I-l. Motion carried unanimously.

Speakers: Hayden Burns, applicant – supportive.

II. CONSIDERATION OF CERTIFICATE OF NON-DESIGNATION APPLICATION FOR 7638 GLEN PRAIRIE DRIVE

Motion was made by Mr. Welsh, seconded by Mrs. Blacklock-Sloan that the Houston Archaeological and Historical Commission table the application for another month for the Certificate of Non-Designation for 7638 Glen Prairie Drive. Motion carried with Ms. Collum abstaining.

III. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC AND THE HOUSTON ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Ms. Anna Mod mentioned to the Commission that she received a call from the Wall Street Journal regarding how Houston has no Historic Preservation and tears everything down. She is trying out a new campaign to re-educate people about all the preservation work that is being done in Houston.


Minnette Boesel mentioned to the Commission that the New York Times is doing a short article on the River Oaks Shopping Center.

Commissioner Maverick Welsh asked if the signs are going to be changed within the newly designated Historic Districts.

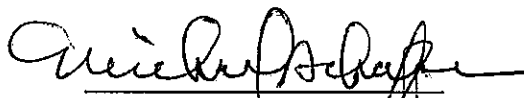
Commissioner David Bucek asked about having a field trip to the neighborhoods especially in the Heights where all the issues have been. He would be willing to take some time to do this on a weekend.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business brought before the commission, Chair Mrs. Phoebe Tudor, adjourned the meeting at 5:07 p.m. Motion was made by Ms. Ray and seconded by Mr. Welsh. Motion carried unanimously.



Phoebe Tudor
Chair



Michael Schaffer
Executive Secretary