

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

**Thursday, October 10, 2013  
Meeting Held at the City Hall Annex, Council Chamber, Public Level  
900 Bagby Street, Houston TX 77002  
3:00 PM**

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

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 3:08 p.m. by Chair, Mr. Maverick Welsh, 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.

Edie Archer	A
Debra Blacklock-Sloan	A
David Bucek	P
Romulo Tim Cisneros	A
Ann Collum	P
John Cosgrove	P
Douglas Elliott	P
Jorge Garcia-Herreros	P
Rob D. Hellyer	A
Paul Homeyer	P
Anna Mod	P
Charles Stava	P
Maverick Welsh	P

**CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

The Chair's report was given by Chair, Maverick Welsh. Mr. Welsh announced there is an upcoming training session with HAHC and the Planning Commission to tour the Houston Heights Districts that takes place Friday October 25, 2013 from 9 am-1 pm. There was also a successful meeting with the Education Subcommittee working on a coloring book and curriculum to go out to the schools. Commissioner Mod has assisted with handing out those coloring books to use for pop up events associated with the Save the Dome Campaign. Twelve HISD schools have been identified as possible applicants for Landmark designation. Mr. Welsh announced that HISD is open to exploring its schools and historic buildings where the community is interested in landmarking and preserving their schools. Mr. Welsh also gave an update on the HAHC Appeals committee with the Planning Commission. Possible procedural changes will be presented to the Commissions at the October 25, 2013 training session and these changes may be approved by November 2013.

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

None

**MAYOR'S CULTURAL LIAISON REPORT**

None

## **APPROVAL OF THE SEPTEMBER 12, 2013 HOUSTON ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND HISTORICAL COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES**

Motion was made by Commissioner Bucek, seconded by Commissioner Mod, to approve the September 12, 2013 Houston Archaeological and Historical Commission meeting minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

### **I. PUBLIC HEARING AND CONSIDERATION FOR HISTORIC DISTRICT DESIGNATION APPLICATION FOR STARKWEATHER.**

The Chair opened and closed the public hearing. Speaker: Tanya Debose, supportive.

Motion made by Commissioner Mod, seconded by Commissioner Stava that the Houston Archaeological and Historical Commission recommend to City Council the Historic District Designation for Starkweather. Motion carried unanimously.

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

Motion was made by Commissioner Cosgrove, seconded by Commissioner Mod to consider agenda items II-c, II-d, II-f, II-m, II-n, II-o, II-p, II-q, II-r, II-x, II-z, II-cc, II-dd, II-ee, and II-ff together and address them at this time. Motion carried unanimously.

- c. 1204 Tulane St – Houston Heights Historic District West – New Construction - Residence/Garage *Deferral*
- d. 1206 Tulane St – Houston Heights Historic District West – New Construction - Residence/Garage *Deferral*
- f. 424 Cortlandt St – Houston Heights Historic District South – Alteration – Windows (Noncontrib)
- m. 711 Key St - Norhill Historic District – Demolition - Garage
- n. 711 Key St - Norhill Historic District – New Construction - Garage
- o. 1716 Lubbock St – Old Six Ward Historic District - New Construction – Accessory Structure
- p. 1534 Cortlandt St – Houston Heights Historic District East – Alteration – Garage (Noncontrib)
- q. 1022 Cortlandt St -- Houston Heights Historic District East – New Construction – Garage
- r. 401 Branard St – First Montrose Commons Historic District - Alteration – Sign (Noncontrib)
- x. 1213 Harvard St – Houston Heights Historic District East – New Construction – Garage
- z. 519 Highland St – Woodland Heights Historic District – Alteration – Addition
- cc. 2204 Decatur St – Old Sixth Ward Historic District – Alteration – Deck *Revision*
- dd. 1232 Arlington St – Houston Heights Historic District East – New Construction – Garage
- ee. 615 Euclid St – Woodland Heights Historic District – New Construction – Garage *Revision*
- ff. 825 Bayland Ave – Woodland Heights Historic District – Alteration - Addition

Motion made by Commissioner Mod, seconded by Commissioner Stava, to grant Certificates of Appropriateness to all items considered together. Motion carried unanimously.

The Commission returned to Agenda Item II-a at this time and proceeded with the remaining agenda items.

**Commissioner Mod abstained and left the room.**

#### **a. 711 Fannin Street – LM/Texas Co. Building (Alteration – Addition)**

Motion was made by Commissioner Bucek, seconded by Commissioner Cosgrove, to grant the Certificate of Appropriateness for item II-a. Motion carried unanimously.

**Commissioner Mod returned.**

**b. 415 W 12<sup>th</sup> Street – Houston Heights West Historic District (New Construction – Residence/Garage Deferral)**

Motion was made by Commissioner Elliott, seconded by Commissioner Garcia-Herreros to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness with the conditions that the eave height of the porch, front dormer and rear two story portion be reduced by 2' for item II-b. Motion carried with Commissioner Mod abstaining.

Speaker: Sue Lovell - supportive

**e. 4010 Stanford Street – First Montrose Commons Historic District (Alteration – Addition)**

Motion was made by Commissioner Homeyer, seconded by Commissioner Elliott to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness for item II-e. Motion carried unanimously.

**Motion was made by Commissioner Cosgrove, seconded by Commissioner Collum to take agenda items II-g, II-h and II-l together at this time. Motion carried unanimously.**

**g. 400 Blk Marshall Street - Westmoreland Historic District – New Construction – Residence/Garage (Lot 1)**

**h. 400 Blk Marshall Street – Westmoreland Historic District – New Construction – Residence/Garage (Lot 2)**

**i. 400 Blk Marshall Street – Westmoreland Historic District – New Construction – Residence/Garage (Lot 3)**

Motion was made by Commissioner Elliott, seconded by Commissioner Stava to defer the Certificate of Appropriateness for items II-g, II-h and II-l. Motion carried unanimously.

**j. 1616 Columbia Street – Houston Heights Historic District East (New Construction – Residence)**

Motion was made by Commissioner Cosgrove, seconded by Commissioner Homeyer to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness for item II-j. Motion carried unanimously.

Speakers: Greg Swedberg, supportive

**k. 302 E. 5<sup>th</sup> Street – Houston Heights Historic District South (Alteration – Addition)**

Motion was made by Commissioner Homeyer, seconded by Commissioner Elliott, to grant the Certificate of Appropriateness for item II-k. Motion carried with Commissioner Welsh breaking the tie vote for approval; Commissioner Bucek, Commissioner Garcia-Herreros, Commissioner Mod and Commissioner Stava opposing.

Speakers: Jeremy McFarland, applicant- supportive; Pablo Pereira, owner- supportive.

**l. 711 Key Street – Norhill Historic District (Alteration – Addition)**

Motion was made by Commissioner Mod, seconded by Commissioner Garcia-Herreros to defer the Certificate of Appropriateness for item II-l since the Norhill Architectural Review Committee had not yet ruled on the project's compliance with neighborhood deed restrictions. Motion carried unanimously.

Speakers: Terry Heroy-undecided; John Paez – owner - supportive.

**s. 306 Main Street – Main Street Market Square Historic District (Alteration – Sign)**

Motion made by Commissioner Mod, seconded by Commissioner Elliott to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness with the conditions that the sign not be lit from the interior for item II-s. Motion carried unanimously.

**t. 528 Bayland Avenue – Woodland Heights Historic District (Alteration – Addition)**

Motion was made by Commissioner Elliott, seconded by Commissioner Homeyer to grant the Certificate of Appropriateness for item II-t. Motion carried unanimously.

**u. 1660 South Boulevard – Boulevard Oaks Historic District West (Alteration – Addition)**

Motion was made by Commissioner Mod, seconded by Commissioner Collum to deny the Certificate of Appropriateness for item II-u. Motion carried with Commissioner Homeyer and Commissioner Elliott abstaining.

**v. 8339 Glenloch Drive – Glenbrook Valley Historic District (Alteration – Addition)**

Motion was made by Commissioner Mod, seconded by Commissioner Stava to deny the Certificate of Appropriateness for item II-v. Motion carried with Commissioner Elliott opposing and Commissioner Collum abstaining.

**w. 1213 Harvard Street – Houston Heights Historic District East (Alteration -- Addition)**

Motion was made by Commissioner Mod, seconded by Commissioner Bucek to deny the Certificate of Appropriateness for item II-w. Motion carried with Commissioner Cosgrove abstaining.  
Speaker: Gilbert Perez, applicant, James Zucker, owner, Patricia Zucker, owner- supportive.

**y. 3441 N Parkwood Drive – LM Duke-Shapiro House ( Alteration – Porch)**

Motion was made by Commissioner Bucek, seconded by Commissioner Homeyer to deny the Certificate of Appropriateness for item II-y. Motion carried unanimously.

**aa. 1232 Arlington Street – Houston Heights Historic District East (Alteration- Addition)**

Motion was made by Commissioner Bucek, seconded by Commissioner Mod to grant the Certificate of Appropriateness with the condition that the proposed new front dormer be eliminated from the design for item II-aa. Motion carried with Commissioner Elliott abstaining.  
Speaker: Jeff Smith, owner and Jordan Fairchild, applicant - supportive.

**bb. 523 Harvard Street – Houston Heights Historic District South (Alteration – Addition)**

Motion was made by Commissioner Elliott, seconded by Commissioner Bucek to deny the Certificate of Appropriateness based on the application not meeting the approval criteria (9) for item II-bb. Motion carried with Commissioner Cosgrove and Commissioner Homeyer abstaining.  
Speaker: Bill Riley, owner - supportive.

**III. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC AND THE HAHC:**

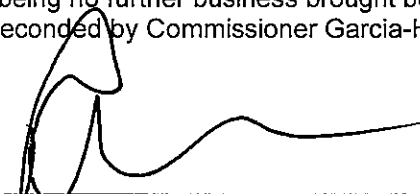
Commissioner Welsh made an announcement that Glenbrook Valley was recognized by *This Old House* to be the best neighborhood in the South and one of the best in the country, which entails being the Editor's Pick, South Bargain Fixer Uppers, City Living, Easy Commute Retirees, First-time Buyers and Gardening community. Commissioner Welsh also stated that the Houston Archaeological and Historical Commission had 4 deferred, 27 approved and 5 denied which is an 84% approval or deferral rating.

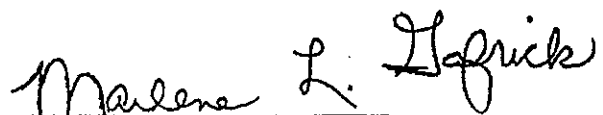
Director Gafrick made an announcement that the lunch forms and money need to be turned in and a quorum is needed for both Commissions for the October 25, 2013 training session.

Commissioner Mod stated that Mayor Parker is in support of the Dome PAC to repurpose the Astrodome, Houston's 'Eighth Wonder of the World.'

**IV. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business brought before the commission, a motion was made by Commissioner Mod, seconded by Commissioner Garcia-Herrerros to adjourn the meeting at 5:44 p.m.

  
Maverick Welsh  
Chair

  
Marlene Gafrick  
Executive Secretary