

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

**Thursday, April 23, 2015  
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 3:05 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
David Bucek	P
Romulo Tim Cisneros	P
Ann Collum	P
John Cosgrove	P
Douglas Elliott	P
Jorge Garcia-Herreros	P
Rob D. Hellyer	A
Kerry L. Goelzer	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 reviewed the operating procedures and Speaker Rules for the audience and also announced the meeting was airing live on HTV and asked everyone to speak into the microphone so they could be heard. He also encouraged each Commissioner to participate in each vote and to make motions to help move the meeting along. He also mentioned how cool it was to see how many people visited the Astrodome.

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

The Director's report was given by Director, Patrick Walsh. Mr. Walsh announced the City is proud to be hosting the 2015 Neighborhoods USA Conference May 20 – 23 at the Hyatt Regency Houston. NUSA will bring many civic and city leaders from across the country to Houston to attend this conference.

**MAYOR'S CULTURAL LIAISON REPORT**

None

**APPROVAL OF THE MARCH 26, 2015 HOUSTON ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND HISTORICAL  
COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES**

Motion was made by Commissioner Collum, seconded by Commissioner Cisneros, to approve the March 26, 2015 Houston Archaeological and Historical Commission meeting minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Commissioner Garcia-Herreros, seconded by Commissioner Cosgrove, to take agenda items C and D at this time. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Mod recused and left the room.

**C. PUBLIC HEARING AND CONSIDERATION OF LANDMARK DESIGNATION APPLICATION FOR:**

**1. Stowers Building at 820 Fannin Street**

The Chair opened and closed the public hearing.

Motion made by Commissioner Collum, seconded by Commissioner Garcia-Herreros that the Houston Archaeological and Historical Commission recommend to City Council the Landmark Designation of the Stowers Building at 820 Fannin Street. Motion carried unanimously.

Speaker: William Franks – supportive.

Commissioner Mod returned.

**2. Gulf Filling Station at 3709 La Branch Street**

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

Motion made by Commissioner Mod, seconded by Commissioner Cisneros that the Houston Archaeological and Historical Commission recommend to City Council the Landmark Designation of the Gulf Filling Station at 3709 La Branch Street. Motion carried unanimously.

**D. PUBLIC HEARING AND CONSIDERATION OF PROTECTED LANDMARK DESIGNATION APPLICATION FOR:**

**1. East End State Bank at 4215 Leeland Street**

The Chair opened and closed the public hearing.

Motion made by Commissioner Collum, seconded by Commissioner Cosgrove that the Houston Archaeological and Historical Commission recommend to City Council the Protected Landmark Designation of the East End State Bank at 4215 Leeland Street. Motion carried unanimously.

Speakers: Diane Barber and Steve Parker – supportive.

**2. The Cullen Clinic at 7703 Cullen Boulevard**

The Chair opened and closed the public hearing.

Motion made by Commissioner Mod, seconded by Commissioner Cosgrove that the Houston Archaeological and Historical Commission recommend to City Council the Protected Landmark Designation of the Cullen Clinic at 7703 Cullen Boulevard. Motion carried unanimously.

Speakers: David Bush and Jacqueline Peterson – supportive.

**3. The Heights Water Pumping Station at 449 W. 19<sup>th</sup> Street**

The Chair opened and closed the public hearing.

Motion made by Commissioner Mod, seconded by Commissioner Cosgrove that the Houston Archaeological and Historical Commission recommend to City Council the Protected Landmark Designation of the Heights Water Pumping Station at 449 W. 19<sup>th</sup> Street. Motion carried unanimously.

Speakers: David Bush, Bart Truxillo, Mark Williamson and Kent Marsh – supportive.

Motion made by Commissioner Cosgrove, seconded by Commissioner Collum, to take agenda item B before A at this time. Motion carried unanimously.

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

Commissioner Bucek and Cisneros recused and left the room.

Motion was made by Commissioner Cosgrove, seconded by Commissioner Mod to consider agenda items B-1, B-2, B-3, B-4, B-5, B-6, B-7, B-8, B-10, B-11, B-12, B-13, B-14, B-15, B-16, B-17, B-18, B-19, B-20, B-21, B-22, B-24, B25, B26, B27, B-29, B-30, B31, B-32, B-33 and B-34 together at this time. Motion carried unanimously.

1. 212 Dallas St. – PLM / Kellum-Noble House – Alteration–ADA Ramp *Revision*
2. 2001 W. Gray St. – LM / River Oaks Shopping Center – Alteration–Sign
3. 3003 Chevy Chase Dr. – LM / William B. Ferguson House – Alteration–Addition
4. 4000 S. MacGregor Way – LM / Weingarten House – Alteration–Addition
5. 612 W. Alabama St. – Audubon Place Historic District – Alteration–Balcony
6. 2609 Stanford St. – Avondale West Historic District – Alteration–Door/Window/Stove Flu
7. 2609 Stanford St. – Avondale West Historic District – Alteration–Garage *Noncontributing*
8. 105 Stratford St. – Avondale East Historic District – Alteration–Window
10. 1102 W. Fugate St. – Norhill Historic District – Alteration–Siding/Trim
11. 1032 E. 16<sup>th</sup> St. – Norhill Historic District – Alteration–Addition *Noncontributing*
12. 1038 Walling St. – Norhill Historic District – Alteration–Addition *Noncontributing*
13. 1000 Prairie St. – Main Street Market Square Historic District – Alteration–Storefront/Sign
14. 217 Marshall St. – Westmoreland Historic District – New Construction–Garage
15. 426 Westmoreland St. – Westmoreland Historic District – Alteration–Windows/Porch
16. 420 Marshall St. – Westmoreland Historic District – New Construction–Residence/Garage *Renewal*
17. 422 Marshall St. – Westmorland Historic District – New Construction–Residence/Garage *Renewal*
18. 424-426 Marshall St. – Westmoreland Historic District – New Construction–Residence/Garage *Renewal*
19. 428 Marshall St. – Westmoreland Historic District – New Construction–Residence/Garage *Renewal*
20. 430 Marshall St. – Westmoreland Historic District – New Construction–Residence/Garage *Renewal*
21. 432 Marshall St. – Westmoreland Historic District – New Construction–Residence/Garage *Renewal*
22. 501 Heights Boulevard – Houston Heights South Historic District – Alteration–Addition
24. 625 Cortlandt St. – Houston Heights South Historic District – Alteration–Dormer/Windows *Revision*
25. 901 Heights Boulevard – Houston Heights South Historic District – New Construction–Garage *Deferral*
26. 424 Cortlandt St. – Houston Heights South Historic District – Alteration–Addition *Noncontributing*
27. 605 Cortlandt St. – Houston Heights South Historic District – New Construction–Residence/Garage *Deferral*
29. 417 W. 12<sup>th</sup> St. – Houston Heights West Historic District – Alteration–Addition *Resubmittal*
30. 1330 Cortlandt St. – Houston Heights East Historic District – Alteration–Addition *Revision*
31. 1332 Cortlandt St. – Houston Heights East Historic District – Alteration–Addition *Revision*
32. 1513 Arlington St. – Houston Heights East Historic District – New Construction–Residence *Revision*
33. 1117 Heights Blvd. – Houston Heights East Historic District – Alteration–Garage *Noncontributing*
34. 1518 Columbia St. – Houston Heights East Historic District – Alteration–Addition

Motion made by Commissioner Cosgrove, seconded by Commissioner Collum, to grant Certificates of Appropriateness. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Bucek and Cisneros returned.

**9. 7707 Lakewind St. – Glenbrook Valley Historic District (Alteration–Siding/Windows)**

Motion was made by Commissioner Mod, seconded by Commissioner Stava to partially grant the Certificate of Appropriateness for item B-9 as follows: Approve the siding replacement and deny the replacement of windows. Motion carried unanimously.

**23. 1036 Cortlandt St. – Houston Heights South Historic District (Alteration–Addition)**

Motion was made by Commissioner Cisneros, seconded by Commissioner Cosgrove to grant the Certificate of Appropriateness for item B-23. Motion carried unanimously.

Speaker: Jeremy McFarland, applicant – supportive.

**28. 1118 Tulane St. – Houston Heights West Historic District (Alteration–Addition)**

Motion was made by Commissioner Cosgrove, seconded by Commissioner Garcia-Herreros to grant the Certificate of Appropriateness for item B-28. Motion carried unanimously.

Speakers: Jorge Carranza, applicant and Steve Robinson, owner – supportive.

**35. 1548 Cortlandt St. – Houston Heights East Historic District (Alteration/Relocation–Foundation)  
Deferral**

Motion was made by Commissioner Collum, seconded by Commissioner Mod to deny the Certificate of Appropriateness for item B-35. Motion carried unanimously.

Speakers: Sam Gianukos, applicant and Matthew Ager, owner – supportive; Kent Marsh - opposed.

**A. ORDINANCE REVIEW COPMMITTEE REPORT:**

The Ordinance Review Committee Report was given by Margaret Wallace Brown, Deputy Director of the Planning and Development Department.

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

Bart Truxillo said it was a pleasure to sit in the audience and to see that the projects that went before the Commission today are doing it the right way. All the work that has been put together for the Ordinance and the Commission is paying off for the Historic Districts.

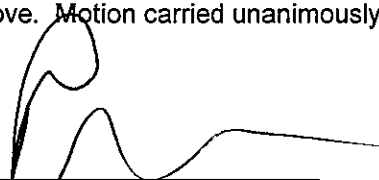
Commissioner Cosgrove asked for an update on any appeals that went before the Planning Commission. He also asked about scheduling the field visit to the Historic Districts with the Planning Commissioners.

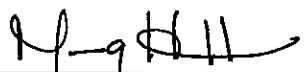
Commissioner Elliott made a comment on how the Preservation Ordinance Review Committee gave the public and neighborhoods the most opportunity to influence the future course of Historic Preservation in their District. He encouraged anyone interested in Historic Preservation or development in their Historic District to get involved and leverage their interest in the policy.

Chair, Maverick Welsh said, "Save the Dome!" He mentioned an article in the Chronicle that had pictures that were taken by someone that broke into the dome and it was one of the most viewed pages on their website and with 25,000 people that visited the Dome recently it just shows the great desire this City has to save this symbolic building. He commended County Judge Ed Emmett for opening up the building to the public.

**F. ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business brought before the commission, Chair, Mr. Maverick Welsh, adjourned the meeting at 4:12 p.m. Motion was made by Commissioner Goelzer and seconded by Commissioner Cosgrove. Motion carried unanimously.

  
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Maverick Welsh  
Chair

  
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Margaret Wallace Brown  
Executive Secretary