

## **Minutes of the Houston Archaeological and Historical Commission**

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

**October 19, 2017**

Meeting held in  
Council Chambers, Public Level, City Hall Annex  
3:00 p.m.

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Minnette Bickel Boesel called the meeting to order at 3:04, with a quorum present.

Minnette Bickel Boesel, Chair

Edie Archer

Left at 5:26 p.m. during item #B-14

Emily Ardoin

David Bucek

Ann Collum

Absent

John Cosgrove

Jorge Garcia-Herrerros

Brie Kelman

Arrived at 3:08 p.m. during the Director's Report

Ben Koush

Sue Lovell

Stephen McNeil

Charles Stava

### **EXOFFICIO MEMBERS**

Samantha Bruer, Architectural Archivist, Houston Metropolitan Research Center

Beth Wiedower, National Trust for Historic Preservation

Margaret Wallace Brown, Deputy Director, Planning and Development

### **Executive Secretary**

Patrick Walsh, P.E., Director, Planning and Development

### **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

The Chair, Minnette Bickel Boesel welcomed new Commissioner Stephen McNeil. She reported about the Jones Hall renovation, that the November meeting date is Tuesday, November 14, and that a vote is upcoming for Vice Chairman. She also congratulated Commissioner Koush on his new book. She further reported that the Jones Hall Subcommittee of HAHC, consisting of Commissioners Bucek, Archer and Boesel, has had about 5 meetings with the Jones Hall Foundation about proposed renovations, and that Jones Hall has been nominated for Protected Landmark designation.

### **DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

The Director's Report was given by Deputy Director, Margaret Wallace Brown. She introduced the new Legal Department representative Kim Mickelson and reported that the Historic planning staff received 26 total Historic applications last month. 6 were administratively reviewed, and 20 are on

today's Agenda. The 2017 year-to-date numbers are as follows: 337 total applications; 138 administratively reviewed, and 199 heard by this Commission.

**MAYOR'S LIAISON REPORT**  
**NONE**

**APPROVAL OF THE SEPTEMBER 21, 2017 HOUSTON ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND HISTORICAL COMMISSION (HAHC) MEETING MINUTES**

Commission action: Approved the September 21, 2017 Houston Archaeological and Historical Commission (HAHC) meeting minutes as amended.

Motion: **Ardoin** Second: **Cosgrove** Vote: **Unanimously** Abstaining: **None**

**A. PRESENTATION AND PUBLIC HEARING FOR PROPOSED HOUSTON HEIGHTS HISTORIC DISTRICT DESIGN GUIDELINES**

Presentation of the Houston Heights Historic District Design Guidelines was given by Planning Department staff, Steph McDougal.

The Chair opened and adjourned the public hearing.

Speaker(s): Mark Williamson - supportive.

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

Motion made by Commissioner Cosgrove, seconded by Commissioner Kelman, to consider agenda items B-2, B-6, B-7, B-8, B-9, and B-13 together. Motion carried unanimously.

- B-2. 1141 Columbia St. – New Construction – Garage – Houston Heights East**
- B-6. 833 Arlington St. – Alteration-Addition – Houston Heights South**
- B-7. 532 Harvard St. – Alteration-Addition – Houston Heights South**
- B-8. 535 Harvard St. – Alteration-Addition – Houston Heights South**
- B-9. 507 W 12th St. – Alteration-Foundation/Porch/Front Door – Houston Heights West**
- B-13. 510 Byrne St. – Alteration-Siding/Windows – Woodland Heights**

Motion was made by Commissioner Cosgrove, seconded by Commissioner Ardoin, to grant Certificates of Appropriateness for items B-2, B-6, B-7, B-8, B-9 and B-13. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Commissioner Kelman and seconded by Commissioner Garcia-Herrerros to take items B-1a, B-1b and B-1c together at this time.

- B-1. 449 W 19th St. – Alterations – PLM / Houston Heights Water Works**
  - a. Building A: 1928 Water Reservoir – Windows/Door**
  - b. Building B: 1939 Pumping Building – Addition**
  - c. Building C: 1949 Pumping Building – Windows/Door Withdrawn**

Motion was made by Commissioner Lovell, seconded by Commissioner Ardoin, to grant the Certificate of Appropriateness for item B-1a and B-1b. Motion carried unanimously.

Speaker(s): Jerry Tipps, applicant and Mark Williamson, - supportive.

**B-3. 1629 Harvard St. – Alteration-Addition – Houston Heights East**

Motion was made by Commissioner Lovell, seconded by Commissioner Kelman, to grant the Certificate of Appropriateness for item B-3. Motion carried unanimously.

Speaker(s): Phillip Zerwas, applicant/owner – supportive.

**B-4. 104 W 12th St. – Demolition-Residence – Houston Heights East**

Motion was made by Commissioner Archer, seconded by Commissioner Lovell, to grant the Certificate of Appropriateness for item B-4. Motion carried with Commissioner Stava opposing.

**B-5. 1505 Oxford St. – Alteration-Addition – Houston Heights East**

Motion was made by Commissioner Lovell, seconded by Commissioner Ardoin, to defer the Certificate of Appropriateness for item B-5. Motion carried unanimously.

Speaker(s): Justin Patterson, applicant - supportive.

**B-10. 932 W Melwood St. – Alteration-Addition – Norhill**

Motion was made by Commissioner Cosgrove, seconded by Commissioner Lovell, to defer the Certificate of Appropriateness for item B-10. Motion carried unanimously.

**B-11. 1017 E 16th St. – Alteration-Windows Resubmittal – Norhill**

Motion was made by Commissioner Lovell, seconded by Commissioner Bucek, to deny the Certificate of Appropriateness and grant a Certificate of Remediation for item B-11. Motion carried with Commissioner Koush opposing.

**B-12. 501 Teetshorn St. – New Construction-Residence/Garage – Woodland Heights**

Motion was made by Commissioner McNeil, seconded by Commissioner Lovell, to grant the Certificate of Appropriateness for item B-12 with the conditions to lower the finished floor height of the residence to 30" and reduce the size of the front door to a size not to exceed 36" x 80". Motion carried with Commissioner Bucek, Commissioner Koush, Commissioner Garcia-Herrerros and Commissioner Stava opposing.

Speaker(s): Greg Swedberg, applicant, Cindy Del Moral, owner - supportive

**B-14. 1711 Shearn St. – Alteration-Addition – High First Ward**

Motion was made by Commissioner Ardoin, seconded by Commissioner Lovell, to grant the Certificate of Appropriateness for item B-14. Motion carried with Commissioner Stava opposing.

Speaker(s): David Jefferies, applicant - supportive.

**B-15. 2113 Decatur St. – Alteration-Siding/Windows/Doors – Old Sixth Ward**

Motion was made by Commissioner Lovell, seconded by Commissioner McNeil, to grant the Certificate of Appropriateness for item B-15. Motion carried unanimously.

Speaker(s): Adrian Melendez - supportive.

**B-16. 1811 Kane St. – Alteration-Porch – Old Sixth Ward**

Motion was made by Commissioner McNeil, seconded by Commissioner Lovell, to deny the Certificate of Appropriateness for item B-16. Motion carried unanimously.

Speaker(s): Corey Browder, applicant and Adrian Melendez - supportive.

**Commissioner Kelman recused herself.**

**B-17. 7930 Glenlea St. – Alteration-Windows– Glenbrook Valley**

Motion was made by Commissioner Cosgrove, seconded by Commissioner Garcia-Herreros, to deny the Certificate of Appropriateness for item B-17. Motion carried unanimously.

**Commissioner Kelman returned.**

**B-18. 8439 Glencrest St. – Alteration-Siding/Windows – Glenbrook Valley**

Motion was made by Commissioner Cosgrove, seconded by Commissioner Lovell, to deny the Certificate of Appropriateness for item B-18. Motion carried with Commissioner Kelman abstaining.

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

Mark Williamson appreciated the finding of plaques of the Houston Water Works.

Commissioner Kelman made comments regarding her resignation. Chair Boesel and Commissioner Lovell thanked her for her contributions.

Commissioner Lovell spoke about the Downtown Library parking and the Barbara Bush Plaza.

Commissioner Garcia-Herreros announced free exhibits at the Houston Museum of Natural Science for the month of October.

Commissioner Cosgrove asked about field trips to the Historic Districts.

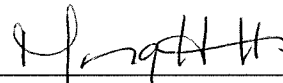
**F. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business brought before the Commission, Chair Minnette Bickel Boesel adjourned the meeting at 5:54 p.m. Motion was made by Commissioner Kelman, and seconded by Commissioner Cosgrove. Motion carried unanimously.



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**Minnette Bickel Boesel**  
Chair



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**Margaret Wallace Brown**  
Executive Secretary