Minutes of the Houston Archaeological and Historical Commission

Thursday, September 8, 2022

Meeting held in Council Chambers, Public Level, City Hall Annex, with telephonic/video conference via Microsoft Teams https://bit.ly/3AUFt88 or 936-755-1521, conference ID: 669 218 854 #

2:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Chair David Bucek called the meeting to order at 2:34 p.m. with a roll call vote and a quorum present.

David Bucek, Chair Present Beth Wiedower Jackson, Vice Chair Present

Ann Collum Present and left at 5:36 p.m. during item B

John Cosgrove Present Steven Curry Present Tanya Debose Absent

Ashley Elizabeth Jones Present virtually

Ben Koush Present
Stephen McNiel Absent
Rhonda Sepulveda Absent

Urmila Srinivasan Present virtually and left at 4:53 p.m. during item A 12 Charles Stava Present virtually and left at 5:50 p.m. during item B

Dominic Yap Present

Exofficio Members

Samantha Bruer, Architectural Archivist, Houston Metropolitan Research Center Marta Crinejo, Mayor's Liaison

Executive Secretary

Jennifer Ostlind, Deputy Director, Planning and Development - Present

CHAIR'S REPORT

NONE

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Jennifer Ostlind, Executive Secretary, gave a report.

MAYOR'S LIAISON REPORT

NONE

APPROVAL OF THE JULY 28, 2022 HOUSTON ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND HISTORICAL COMMISSION (HAHC) MEETING MINUTES

Commission Action: Approved the July 28, 2022 Houston Archeological and Historical Commission (HAHC) meeting minutes.

Motion by Commissioner Wiedower Jackson, seconded by Collum. Motion carried with Bucek abstaining.

A. CONSIDERATION OF AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS APPLICATIONS FOR CONSENT AGENDA

- A-1. 915 Harvard St Alteration Door, Windows Houston Heights South Approve
- A-2. 1806 Decatur St Alteration Windows, Door Old Sixth Ward Approve
- A-4. 5307 N Main St Alteration Sign Norhill Approve
- A-5. 1323 Rutland St Alteration Addition, Porch, Windows, Doors Houston Heights West Approve
- A-8. 1711 Shearn St Alteration Addition High First Ward Approve
- A-13. 518 W 13th St Alteration Roof Houston Heights West Approve
- A-14. 640 Cortland St Alteration Addition Houston Heights South Approve

Motion by Commissioner Wiedower Jackson, seconded by Stava, to consider and to accept staff recommendations for items **A-1**, **2**, **4**, **5**, **8**, **13**, **and A-14** together. Motion carried unanimously.

A-3. 8339 Glencrest St - Alteration – Porch, Roof - Glenbrook Valley - Approve with conditions

Staff recommendation: Approve the Certificate of Appropriateness with conditions per staff report. Commission action: Approved the Certificate of Appropriateness per applicant's submission, with additional conditions; that Applicant must obtain Glenbrook Valley Architectural Review Committee approval, and update staff. Any substantive adjustments will require new application to the HAHC. Motion by Commissioner Koush, seconded by Yap. Motion carried unanimously.

A-6. 8823 Dover St - Alteration - Windows - Glenbrook Valley - Denial/COR

Staff recommendation: Deny the Certificate of Appropriateness and issue a Certificate of Remediation (COR) per staff report.

Commission action: Denied the Certificate of Appropriateness and issued a Certificate of Remediation (COR) with the condition that the front three windows be replaced.

Motion by Commissioner Wiedower Jackson, seconded by Curry. Motion carried with Koush, Jones and Yap opposed.

Speaker: Rico Esperanza, owner – supportive.

A-7. 1204 Studewood St - Alteration - Addition - Norhill - Denial/COR

Staff recommendation: Deny the Certificate of Appropriateness and issue a Certificate of Remediation (COR) per staff report.

Commission action: Denied the Certificate of Appropriateness and issued a Certificate of Remediation (COR) with the condition that front door and plate be restored per staff report.

Motion by Commissioner Cosgrove, seconded by Yap. Motion carried with Koush opposed. Speaker: Sadiq Ghazanfar, applicant – supportive

A-9. 1429 Columbia St - New Construction – Single Family Residential - Houston Heights East - Deferred

Staff recommendation: Approve the Certificate of Appropriateness with conditions per staff report. Commission action: Deferred the Certificate of Appropriateness.

Motion by Commissioner Cosgrove, seconded by Yap. Motion carried unanimously. Speakers: Bob Alban, Mark Williamson – undecided; Kathy Larsen – position not stated; Sam Gianukos, applicant - supportive

A-10. 1429 Columbia St - New Construction - Garage - Houston Heights East - Approve

Staff recommendation: Approve the Certificate of Appropriateness per staff report.

Commission action: Approved the Certificate of Appropriateness per staff report.

Motion by Commissioner Cosgrove, seconded by Yap. Motion carried unanimously.

A-11. 207 Stratford St - Alteration - Addition, Windows - Avondale East - Approve

Staff recommendation: Approve the Certificate of Appropriateness per staff report.

Commission action: Approved the Certificate of Appropriateness with condition that bump out on East elevation is confirmed to be original by site visit inspection. If confirmed to be original that bump out be retained. Also confirm whether bump out can be seen from public R.O.W.

Motion by Commissioner Wiedower Jackson, seconded by Cosgrove. Motion carried unanimously.

Speaker: Cristhian Diaz, applicant – supportive

A-12. 210 Marshall St - Alteration – Doors, Windows, Siding – Westmoreland – Partially Approve

Staff recommendation: Partially approve the Certificate of Appropriateness with the condition that only asbestos doors and windows be removed per staff report.

Commission action: Partially approved the Certificate of Appropriateness to replace existing asbestos siding. If original siding found underneath, contact staff to inspect. Replace two doors on East elevation, first and second floors. Retain red door on front elevation. Retain all windows with specialized mutton patterns on front and both side elevations. Replace aluminum windows and 1-over- windows with double-hung, 1-over-1, inset, wood windows.

Motion by Commissioner Wiedower Jackson, seconded by Curry. Motion carried with Stava opposed.

Speaker: Jason Griffin – opposed

B. 615 HEIGHTS BLVD – DEMOLITION – HOUSTON HEIGHTS SOUTH – DENY/COR

Staff recommendation: Deny the Certificate of Appropriateness for demolition and issue a Certificate of Remediation (COR) to deck and sheath the new construction to structurally stabilize the structure per staff report.

Commission action: Denied the Certificate of Appropriateness for demolition and issued a Certificate of Remediation (COR) to stabilize the structure per staff report.

Motion by Commissioner Cosgrove, seconded by Jones. Motion carried unanimously Speaker: Apostolos (Paul) Lamnatos, applicant – supportive.

C. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Mark Williamson spoke about deed restrictions in the Heights.

D. COMMENTS FROM THE HAHC

Chair Bucek commented about the appeals board. Commissioner Yap commented about punitive actions. Commissioner Jones mentioned that October is Texas Archeology month.

E. HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER'S REPORT NONE

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business brought before the Commission, Chair David Bucek adjourned the meeting at 6:13 p.m.

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