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HOUSTON ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND HISTORICAL COMMISSION
MINUTES
TUESDAY, 21 MAY 2026
CITY HALL ANNEX, 900 BAGBY ST., PUBLIC LEVEL, HOUSTON TX 77002

Call to Order and Roll Call by Chair Bucek at 2:39 PM

Commissioners	**Quorum – Present / Absent**
David Bucek, Chair	Present
John Cosgrove, Vice Chair	Present
Shantel Blakely	Present
Robert Browning	Present
Josh Broadbeck	Present
Becky Davis	Present
Zion Escobar	Present
Craig Garcia	Present
David Craig Hille	Present
Ashley Jones	*Absent*
Sam Seidel	Present, left at 4:30 during Item B.10
Carl Smith	Present, left at 5:30 during Item B.13
Mark Smith	Present
Robert Williamson, Acting Secretary	Present

Legal Department • Matthew Mendoza
Ex-Officio Members • Marta Crinejo, Mayor's Liaison to HAHC
Ginger Berni, Architectural Archivist, HHRC

Chair's Report, David Bucek, Chair, announced speaker rules and meeting procedures.

Director's Report, Robert Williamson, Secretary and Deputy Director for the Planning and Development Department, delivered two main announcements: The Norhill Design Guidelines will not be reviewed this month, staff is revising the final draft, guidelines are expected at the next commission. The chair has requested an upcoming HAHC workshop to discuss possible rules and procedures aimed at improving commission operations. This workshop will help develop recommendations for future commission consideration.
Highlighted the month of April; 3 pre-application design review requests were received, 46 new Certificate of Appropriateness (COA) applications were submitted, year-to-date totals now stand at 24 pre-application reviews and 163 COA submissions. Staff administratively approved 17 COAs during this cycle, bringing the year-to-date administrative approval total to 48. Concluded with directing the public to the Houston Office of Preservation hotline and website for questions, 8 3 2 – 3 9 3 – 6 5 5 6, HOUSTONPLANNING.COM

Mayor Liaison's Report – None

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Approval of Minutes

Consideration for the April 23, 2026 HAHC meeting minutes
Commission action: No vote was taken; Commissioner Brodbeck asked to make corrections addressing directors report as well as his vote on Item D.3, minutes will be reviewed at the next commission.

A. Public Hearing and Consideration of and Possible Action on a Landmark Designation application for the First City National Bank, 1021 Main Street, Houston, TX 77002.

Staff recommendation: Approve the item per staff report and recommend forwarding to City Council for Protected Landmark designation consideration.
Commission action: Approved staff's recommendation to forward to City Council for Protected Landmark designation.
Speaker(s): Melanie Caddel, Brooks Jowell, Amanda Coleman

Motion: Garcia — Vote: Unanimous
Second: Hille — Opposed: None

B. Consideration and Possible Action on the following Applications for Certificates of Appropriateness; one or more items may be taken in one motion as Consent Items:

#	Address	Application Type	Historic District or Landmark	Staff Recommendation
1	1512 Arlington St	Alteration – Addition	Houston Heights East	Approval
2	1512 Arlington St	New Construction – Accessory Dwelling Unit	Houston Heights East	Approval
3	1806 State St	Alteration – Addition	Old Sixth Ward	Approval
4	1810 Cortlandt St	Alteration - Addition	Houston Heights East	Approval
5	1810 Cortlandt St	New Construction – Garage or Carport	Houston Heights East	Approval
6	611 Omar St	Alteration – Addition	Houston Heights South	Approval
7	805 Cortlandt St	Alteration – Addition	Houston Heights South	Approval
8	805 Cortlandt St	New Construction – Garage or Carport	Houston Heights South	Approval
9	1011 Fugate St	Alteration – Addition	Norhill	Approval
10	1118 Tulane St	Alteration – Addition	Houston Heights West	Approval
11	202 E 31st ½ St	New Construction – Single Family Residential	Starkweather	Deferral
12	202 E 31st ½ St	New Construction – Garage or Carport	Starkweather	Deferral
*	4601 Oak Ridge St	Demolition – Garage or Carport	Norhill	Approval
13	4601 Oak Ridge St	New Construction – Garage or Carport	Norhill	Approval w/conditions
14	4601 Oak Ridge St	Alteration – Addition, Foundation, Siding or Trim, Doors, Windows,	Norhill	Approval

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		Porch or Balcony, Chimney, Roof, Other		
15	1131 Dunbar St	Alteration – Addition, Foundation, Siding or Trim, Doors, Windows, Roof	Norhill	Approval w/conditions
16	3601 White Oak Dr	Alteration – Siding or Trim	Houston Heights South	Approval w/conditions
17	1012 Key St	Alteration – Addition	Norhill	Approval
18	514 W Main St	Alteration – Addition	First Montrose Commons	Approval
19	514 W Main St	New Construction – Garage or Carport	First Montrose Commons	Deferred by applicant
20	7718 Morley St	Alteration – Roof, Other	Glenbrook Valley	Denial of COA, Issuance of COR
21	1515 Rutland St	New Construction – Accessory Structure	Houston Heights West	Approval w/conditions
22	1231 Arlington St	Alteration – Addition	Houston Heights East	Deferred by applicant
23	222 Westmoreland St	Alteration – Addition, Foundation, Siding or Trim, Doors, Windows, Roof	Westmoreland	Approval
24	1127 Le Green St	Alteration – Porch or Balcony, Siding or Trim, Windows	Norhill	Approval
25	5613 ½ Almeda Rd	Alteration – Sign	LM – Braswell Building	Approval
26	815 Arlington St	Alteration – Addition	Houston Heights South	Approval
27	709 Marshall St	Alteration – Windows	Audubon Place	Approval
28	1038 W Temple St	Demolition – Garage or Carport	Norhill	Approval
29	1038 W Temple St	New Construction – Garage or Carport	Norhill	Approval

**NOTE: Removed of Item, "4601 Oak Ridge St., Demolition – Garage or Carport, Norhill – Approval"*

Staff recommendation: Approval of all Item B No's 16, 18, 19, 20, 22, 23, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29.
Commission action: Accepted staff recommendations for Item B., No's 16, 18, 19, 20, 22, 23, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29. Certificates of Appropriateness (COA) and Certificates of Remediation (COR).

Motion: Broadbeck Vote: Unanimous
Second: Cosgrove Opposed: None

ITEM(S) B. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 17, 21, AND 24 WERE REMOVED FOR SEPARATE CONSIDERATION.

B.1. 1512 ARLINGTON STREET
B.2. 1512 ARLINGTON STREET

Staff recommendation: Approval.
Commission action: Accepts staff's recommendation for approval.
Speaker(s): Celia De Angela, applicant

Motion: Brodbeck Second: Seidel Vote: Unanimous

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B.3. 1806 State Street

Staff recommendation: Approval.
Commission action: Accepts staff's recommendation for approval.
Speaker(s): Sam Ginaiukos, Maria Del Rosario Islas, Santiago Parra – supportive

Motion: Gacia Second: Hille Vote: Unanimous

B.4 1810 Cortlandt Street
B.5 1810 Cortlandt Street

Staff recommendation: Approval.
Commission action: Accepts staff's recommendation for approval.
Speaker(s): None

Motion: Browning Second: Garcia Vote: Carried Opposed/Abstained: Broadbeck

B.6 611 Omar Street

Staff recommendation: Approval.
Commission action: Accepts staff's recommendation for approval.
Speaker(s): None

Motion: Cosgrove Second: Escobar Vote: Unanimous

B.7 805 Cortlandt Street
B.8 805 Cortlandt Street

Staff recommendation: Approval.
Commission action: Accepts staff's recommendation with the conditioned upon making a reasonable effort to ensure the addition's siding is consistent with the original house once the existing siding material is identified. Clarifying, the exact matching is not required and some differentiation between the original structure and the addition was acceptable, adding for staff to review.
Speaker(s): Lathan Henderson, Cavca, applicant

Motion: Cosgrove Second: Browning Vote: Unanimous

B.9 1011 Fugate Street

Staff recommendation: Approval.
Commission action: Accepts staff's recommendation for approval.
Speaker(s): Sam Ginaiukos, applicant

Motion: C.Smith Second: Seidel Vote: Unanimous

B.10 1118 Tulane Street

Staff recommendation: Approval.
Commission action: Defer, see a new plan and asked for further research on what they plan on doing with the stone. Add information on proper wood trim to windows.
Speaker(s): None

Motion: Brodbeck Second: Hille Vote: Carried Opposed: Browning

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B.11 202 E 31ST ½ STREET
B.12 202 E 31ST ½ STREET

Staff recommendation: Deferral, due to the demolition of a contributing structure, the demolition must be approved by the HAHC prior to approval of the New Construction.
Commission action: Deferred, per staff recommendations.
Speaker(s): Tonia Wells, Sabrina Norr – opposed

Motion: Brodbeck Second: Escobar Vote: Unanimous

B.13 4601 OAK RIDGE STREET

Staff recommendation: Approval.

B.14 4601 OAK RIDGE STREET

Staff recommendation: Approval with conditions; That the existing front porch remain as is and the proposed removal of the windows towards the front of (both) the side elevations shall remain in place.
Commission action(s): Deferred.
Speaker(s): None

Motion: Brodbeck Second: Hille Vote: Carried Opposed: Escobar, Cosgrove, Browning

B.15 1131 DUNBAR STREET

Staff recommendation: Approval.
Commission action: Accepts staff's recommendation for approval.
Speaker(s): None

Motion: Brodbeck Second: Cosgrove Vote: Unanimous

B.17 1012 KEY STREET

Staff recommendation: Approval.
Commission action: Accepts staff's recommendation for approval.
Speaker(s): Bryan Davis, applicant

Motion: Cosgrove Second: Garcia Vote: Carried Opposed: Davis

B.21 1515 RUTLAND STREET

Staff recommendation: Approval.
Commission action: Accepts staff's recommendation for approval.
Speaker(s): None

Motion: Cosgrove Second: Escobar Vote: Unanimous

B.24 1127 LE GREEN STREET

Staff recommendation: Approval.
Commission action: Accepts staff's recommendation for approval.
Speaker(s): None

Motion: Garcia Second: Cosgrove Vote: Unanimous

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C. Excuse the Absences of Commissioner Zion Escobar

No action needed, Commissioner Zion Escobar was present.

D. Public Comment – None

E. Historic Preservation Officer's Report

Yasmin Arslan, Interim Historic Preservation, The report highlighted ongoing efforts to preserve Houston's historic character and thanked applicants and community members for participating in the Historic Preservation Tracker Survey, noting feedback will help improve processes and customer service. The report also mentioned staff participation in a documentary screening about the historic Lewis White Grocery in Houston's Fifth Ward, recognizing its cultural and historical significance. Additionally, the Team's dedication and efficiency despite a heavy workload and limited staffing, emphasizing their continued commitment to protecting Houston's diverse historic resources. The report concluded with appreciation for the commission and public, along with contact information for the Houston Office of Preservation.

F. Adjournment

There being no further business brought before the Commission, Chair David Bucek adjourned the meeting at 6:08 PM.

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David Bucek, Chair

Signed by:
Robert Williamson
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Robert Williamson, Secretary