MINUTES OF THE HOUSTON ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Thursday, November 7, 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 3:03 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	Р
Debra Blacklock-Sloan	Р
David Bucek	Р
Romulo Tim Cisneros	Р
Ann Collum	Α
John Cosgrove	Р
Douglas Elliott	Р
Jorge Garcia-Herreros	Р
Rob D. Hellyer	Р
Paul Homeyer	Р
Anna Mod	Р
Charles Stava	Р
Maverick Welsh	Р

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The Chair's report was given by Chair, Maverick Welsh. Mr. Welsh announced that he spoke with the Trustees of H.I.S.D about landmarking historic schools and the landmarking project is moving forward with the help from the students and history teachers. Mr. Welsh mentioned that the Houston Archaeological and Historical Commission could initiate the process of landmarking the Astrodome. Mr. Welsh also mentioned that the Joint Training session went well in the Heights and helped both Houston Archaeological and Historical Commission and Planning Commission understand how both commissions make decisions. When there is a denial with the Houston Archaeological and Historical Commission, the commission needs to give specific information pertaining to the denial so that Planning Commission can be aware of why it was denied. Next, Mr. Welsh gave a report to Commissioners to announce when they are making a motion for the minute taking purposes. Lastly, Mr. Welsh announced the retirement of Director Marlene Gafrick.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The Director's report was given by Director, Marlene Gafrick. Mrs. Gafrick announced that there would be a reception for her retirement in the Rotunda at City Hall Tuesday, November 12, 2013. Mrs. Gafrick also stated that it was a pleasure working for the City of Houston for 33 years. Mrs. Gafrick introduced Deputy Director Patrick Walsh, former Director in the Transportation and Long Range Planning within the City of Sugarland.

MAYOR'S CULTURAL LIAISON REPORT

The Mayor's Cultural Liaison Report was given by the Mayor's Assistant, Ms. Minnette Boesel, Ms. Boesel announced that this weekend is the History Fair given by the Houston History Association in the Julia Ideson Library from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. Ms. Boesel also announced that there was an article in the City and State section of the Houston Chronicle that featured Glenbrook Valley Historic District.

APPROVAL OF THE OCTOBER 10, 2013 HOUSTON ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND HISTORICAL COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

Motion was made by Commissioner Homeyer, seconded by Commissioner Blacklock-Sloan, to approve the October 10, 2013 Houston Archaeological and Historical Commission meeting minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

I. MONTHLY PRESERVATION TOPIC:

The Monthly Preservation Topic was given by Stephanie Ann Jones, Executive Director for Preservation Houston.

II. CONSIDERATION OF CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS APPLICATIONS:

Motion was made by Commissioner Cosgrove, seconded by Commissioner Collum to consider agenda items II-a, II-b, II-c, II-d, II-e, II-g, II-h, II-i, II-n, II-o, II-p, II-r, II-s, II-t, II-u, II-x, II-y, II-kk, II-II, II-oo, II-qq and II-rr together at this time. Motion carried unanimously.

- a. 400 Blk Marshall Street (Lot 1) Westmoreland Historic District New Construction Residence/Garage Deferral
- b. 400 Blk Marshall Street (Lot 2) Westmoreland Historic District New Construction Residence/Garage Deferral
- c. 400 Blk Marshall Street (Lot 3) Westmoreland Historic District New Construction Residence/Garage Deferral
- d. 400 Blk Marshall Street (Lot 4) Westmoreland Historic District New Construction Residence/Garage
- e. 400 Blk Marshall Street (Lots 5-7) Westmoreland Historic District New Construction Residence/Garage
- g. 714 Woodland St Woodland Heights Historic District New Construction Garage
- h. 802 Kipling St Audubon Place Historic District New Construction 2nd structure
- i. 604 Cortlandt St -- Houston Heights Historic District South Alteration Garage
- n. 1111 Peddie St Norhill Historic District New Construction Carport
- o. 111 North St Germantown Historic District New Construction Garage
- p. 115 Alma St Germantown Historic District New Construction 2nd Structure
- r. 1447 Oxford St Houston Heights Historic District East Alteration -- Addition
- s. 1334 Ashland St. Houston Heights Historic District West New Construction Garage
- t. 2015-K W Gray St LM/River Oaks Shopping Center Alteration Sign
- u. 2105-G W Gray St LM/River Oaks Shopping Center– Alteration Sign
- x. 2500 Summer St LM/Cook Paint & Varnish Co. Alteration Addition
- y. 1124 Columbia St Houston Heights Historic District East Alteration Porch
- kk. 1324 Ashland St Houston Heights Historic District West Alteration Addition
- II. 205 W 16th St -- Houston Heights Historic District West -- New Construction -- Residence/ Garage
- oo. 528 Bayland St -- Woodland Heights Historic District -- Alteration -- Addition Revision
- gg. 806 Main St LM/SF Carter-2nd National Bank Building Alteration-Awning Revision
- rr. 1131 W Melwood St Norhill Historic District Alteration Addition

Commissioners Homeyer and Mod abstained and left the room.

Motion made by Commissioner Blacklock- Sloan, seconded by Commissioner Cosgrove, to grant Certificates of Appropriateness. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioners Homeyer and Mod returned.

f. 215 Bayland Street – Woodland Heights Historic District (New Construction – Residence/Garage)

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

j. 730 Columbia Street – Houston Heights Historic District South (Alteration – Addition) Motion was made by Commissioner Mod, seconded by Commissioner Stava to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness for item II-j. Motion carried unanimously.

k. 409 W 13th Street – Houston Heights Historic District West (New Construction – Residence/Garage)

Motion was made by Commissioner Homeyer, seconded by Commissioner Cisneros to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness for item II-k. Motion carried with Commissioner Elliott, Commissioner Blacklock-Sloan opposing and Commissioner Collum and Commissioner Cosgrove abstaining. Speakers: Vickie Miller, opposed and Jeremy McFarland, applicant-supportive.

I. 1102 W Gardner Street - Norhill Historic District (Alteration - Addition)

Motion was made by Commissioner Mod, seconded by Commissioner Cisneros to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness for item II.I. Motion carried unanimously.

m. 711 Key Street - Norhill Historic District (Alteration - Addition Deferral)

Motion was made by Commissioner Mod, seconded by Commissioner Blacklock-Sloan to defer the until approval is given from Norhill Deed Restriction Certificate of Appropriateness for item II-m. Motion carried unanimously.

q. 1237 Arlington Street – Houston Heights Historic District East (Alteration – Siding Revision) Motion was made by Commissioner Mod, seconded by Commissioner Stava to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness for item II-q with conditions that replacement cementious siding be smooth not embossed. Motion carried unanimously.
Speakers: Peter Sack, supportive

v. 1530 Ashland Street – Houston Heights Historic District West (New Construction – Residence)

Motion was made by Commissioner Homeyer, seconded by Commissioner Elliott, to grant the Certificate of Appropriateness for item II-v. Motion carried with Commissioner Collum abstaining.

- w. 525 Cortlandt Street Houston Heights Historic District South (Alteration Addition)

 Motion was made by Commissioner Elliott, seconded by Commissioner Mod to defer the Certificate of Appropriateness for item II-w until three-dimensional renderings were available to review. Motion carried with Commissioner Cisneros opposing.

 Speaker: Sara Watson, owner-supportive.
- z. 1204 Heights Boulevard Houston Heights Historic District East (Alteration Porch) Motion made by Commissioner Mod, seconded by Commissioner Homeyer to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness for item II-z. Motion carried unanimously.
- aa. 7654 Rockhill Street -- Glenbrook Valley Historic District (Alteration -- Siding/Door)

 Motion was made by Commissioner Mod, seconded by Commissioner Homeyer to grant the
 Certificate of Appropriateness for item II-aa with conditions that the applicant find a compatible door.

 Motion carried with Commissioner Collum abstaining.

bb. 836 W Temple Street – Norhil Historic District (Alteration – Door) Withdrawn by applicant

cc. 811 Branard St.– First Montrose Commons Historic District (Alteration – Siding/Windows *Revision*)

Motion was made by Commissioner Mod, seconded by Commissioner Cosgrove to deny the Certificate of Appropriateness for item II-cc. Motion carried unanimously.

dd. 1007 Le Green Street - Norhill Historic District (Alteration - Siding)

Motion was made by Commissioner Homeyer, seconded by Commissioner Mod to grant the Certificate of Appropriateness for item II-dd with the conditions that the homeowner use smooth cementitious siding. Motion carried with Commissioner Stava abstaining. Speaker: Harry Baxter, owner- supportive.

ee. 8218 Colgate Street-- Glenbrook Valley Historic District (Alteration - Windows)

Motion was made by Commissioner Homeyer, seconded by Commissioner Blacklock-Sloan to grant the Certificate of Appropriateness for item II-ee. Motion failed with Commissioner Mod, Commissioner Cosgrove, Commissioner Cisneros, Commissioner Collum and Commissioner Stava opposing. The Certificate of Appropriateness was denied based on the application not meeting criteria (1) the replacement windows were not compatible with the age of the home for item II-ee.

ff. 1241 Arlington Street – Houston Heights Historic District East (Alteration – Windows) Motion was made by Commissioner Cisneros, seconded by Commissioner Homeyer to grant the Certificate of Appropriateness for item II-ff. Motion carried unanimously. Speaker: Jon Strand - supportive.

gg. 827 Key Street - Norhill Historic District (Alteration- Siding)

Motion was made by Commissioner Elliott, seconded by Commissioner Cisneros to deny the Certificate of Appropriateness for item II-gg. Motion carried unanimously. Speaker: Marty Stegent, applicant - supportive.

- hh. 1117 Tulane Street Houston Heights Historic District West (Alteration Addition) Motion was made by Commissioner Cosgrove, seconded by Commissioner Stava to grant the Certificate of Appropriateness for item II-hh. Motion carried with Commissioner Blacklock-Sloan abstaining.
- ii. 528 Highland Street Woodland Heights Historic District (Alteration Addition)

 Motion was made by Commissioner Blacklock-Sloan, seconded by Commissioner Mod to deny the Certificate of Appropriateness for item II-ii. Motion carried with Commissioner Cisneros abstaining. Speaker: Michael Czapski, owner supportive.
- jj. 827 W Cottage Street Norhill Historic District (Alteration Addition)

 Motion was made by Commissioner Cosgrove, seconded by Commissioner Homeyer to grant the Certificate of Appropriateness for item II-jj. Motion carried unanimously.
- mm. 1660 South Boulevard Boulevard Oaks Historic District (Alteration Addition)

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

 Speaker: Rick Jenner, owner and Tressa Mann, applicant supportive.
- nn. 8339 Glen Loch Drive Glenbrook Valley Historic District (Alteration Addition)
 Motion was made by Commissioner Cosgrove, seconded by Commissioner Homeyer to grant the
 Certificate of Appropriateness for item II-nn. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Homeyer, seconded by Commissioner Cosgrove to grant the Certificate of Appropriateness for item II-pp. Motion carried with unanimously. Speaker: Karen Young, applicant - supportive.

ss. 1102 W Gardner Street – Norhill Historic Didtrict (New Construction – Garage) Withdrawn by applicant

III. PUBLIC HEARING AND CONSIDERATION OF LANDMARK DESIGNATION APPLICATIONS FOR:

a) Doris and Virgil Childress House at 3239 Locke Lane

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

Motion made by Commissioner Cosgrove, seconded by Commissioner Homeyer that the Houston Archaeological and Historical Commission recommend to City Council the Landmark Designation for the Doris and Virgit Childress House at 3239 Locke Lane. Motion carried unanimously

b) Ira and Minnette McFarland House at 3251 Ella Lee Lane

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

Motion made by Commissioner Cosgrove, seconded by Commissioner Cisneros that the Houston Archaeological and Historical Commission recommend to City Council the Landmark Designation for the Ira and Minnette McFarland House at 3251 Ella Lee Lane. Motion carried unanimously

IV. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC AND THE HAHC

Motion was made by Chair Welsh, seconded by Cisneros that the Houston Archaeological and Historical Commission place the initiation of the Landmark designation for the Astrodome as an agenda item for consideration on December 12, 2013.

Commissioner Mod made a comment for item II.mm 1660 South Boulevard of Boulevard Oaks Historic District and II.nn 8339 Glen Loch Drive of Glenbrook Valley Historic District to be added to the website to showcase ideal case studies and to celebrate the owners for effectively working with the Historic Preservation department in making alterations, additions and new construction to their property.

Sue Lovell questioned if there could be a formula given when advising clients from the initiation of alterations to appropriately guide them in the correct direction before coming before commission. Ms. Lovell also commented that predictability would aid her when advising her clients.

V. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business brought before the commission, a motion was made by Commissioner Collum, seconded by Commissioner Mod to adjourn the meeting at 5:42 p.m.

Maverick Welsh

Chair

Makene Gafrick
Executive Secretary

L. Haprick