

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

**Thursday, January 16, 2014
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	P
Debra Blacklock-Sloan	P
David Bucek	P
Romulo Tim Cisneros	A
Ann Collum	P Left at 6:00 p.m. during item III
John Cosgrove	P
Douglas Elliott	P
Jorge Garcia-Herreros	P
Rob D. Hellyer	P Left at 5:00 p.m. during 10 minute recess
Paul Homeyer	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 officially gave an overview of the Speaker Rules and the process of making a motion during the Houston Archaeological and Historical Commission to assist with the proficiency of the meeting. Mr. Welsh also announced the implementation of a subcommittee to improve customer service to the public and the Commission and review application timelines and procedures with the support of Commissioner Bucek, Commissioner Mod and Commissioner Elliott. Findings will be reported at the March Houston Archaeological and Historical Commission meeting.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The Director's report was given by Interim Director, Patrick Walsh. Mr. Walsh acknowledged and thanked the Chair for meeting with staff to ensure the efficiency of the Houston Archeological and Historical commission. The Planning Department will also be active to ensure the professionalism and effectiveness of customer service. Lastly, Mr. Walsh announced the revamping of the HAHC educational website and the launch of Rafter Tales. Rafter Tales will be a section filled with educational stories and facts about historic preservation via houstonpreservation.org.

MAYOR'S CULTURAL LIAISON REPORT

None.

APPROVAL OF THE DECEMBER 12, 2013 HOUSTON ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND HISTORICAL COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

Motion was made by Commissioner Bucek, seconded by Commissioner Blacklock-Sloan, to approve the December 12, 2013 Houston Archaeological and Historical Commission meeting minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

I. MONTHLY PRESERVATION TOPIC:

The monthly preservation topic was given by Courtney Tardy of Preservation Houston.

II. CONSIDERATION OF CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS APPLICATIONS:

Motion was made by Commissioner Cosgrove, seconded by Commissioner Mod to consider agenda items II-a, II-b, II-c, II-d, II-f and II-p together at this time. Motion carried with Commissioner Garcia-Herreros abstaining.

- a. **4 Shadow Lawn St – Shadow Lawn Historic District - Alteration-Addition *Renewal***
- b. **1206 Tulane St - Houston Heights Historic District West – New Construction-Residential *Revision***
- c. **401 Louisiana St – LM/Hogg Building - Alteration-Sign**
- d. **1520 Allston St – Houston Heights Historic District West - New Construction-Garage**
- f. **1609 Kirby Dr – LM / Tenison House - Alteration-Windows**
- p. **3320 White Oak Dr - Houston Heights Historic District South – Alteration-Storefront**

Motion made by Commissioner Hellyer, seconded by Commissioner Homeyer, to grant Certificates of Appropriateness. Motion carried unanimously.

e. 709 Bayland Avenue - Woodland Heights Historic District (Alteration-Addition *Noncontributing Revision*)

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

g. 209 E Woodland St – Germantown Historic District (Alteration-Addition)

Motion was made by Commissioner Mod, seconded by Commissioner Bucek to partially grant the Certificate of Appropriateness for item II-g for retroactive approval of the rear addition and denial of the attached carport. Motion carried unanimously.

h. 528 Highland St - Woodland Heights Historic District (Alteration-Residence/Garage)

Motion was made by Commissioner Hellyer, seconded by Commissioner Archer to grant the Certificate of Appropriateness for item II-h. Motion failed with Commissioner Mod, Commissioner Stava, Commissioner Blacklock-Sloan, Commissioner Elliott, Commissioner Bucek and Commissioner Garcia-Herreros opposing and Commissioner Homeyer and Commissioner Collum abstaining.

Second motion was made by Commissioner Elliott, seconded by Commissioner Blacklock-Sloan to deny the Certificate of Appropriateness for item II-h. Motion carried with Commissioner Archer, Commissioner Hellyer and Commissioner Cosgrove opposing and Commissioner Homeyer and Commissioner Collum abstaining.

Speaker: Michael Czapski, owner - supportive.

i. 1300 Harvard St – Houston Heights Historic District East (Alteration-Addition)

Motion was made by Commissioner Homeyer, seconded by Commissioner Stava to deny the Certificate of Appropriateness for item II-i. Motion carried with Commissioner Archer opposing and Commissioner Cosgrove and Commissioner Hellyer abstaining.

Speakers: Scott Blankenship, owner and Sam Gianukos, applicant - supportive.

j. 7915 Glenview St – Glenbrook Valley Historic District (Alteration-Windows)

Motion was made by Commissioner Blacklock-Sloan, seconded by Commissioner Elliott to partially grant Certificate of Appropriateness for item II-j as recommended by staff: approval is granted to replace the non-original windows on the rear and west elevations with vinyl windows without internal muntins; denial to replace original windows on the south and east elevations. Motion carried with Commissioner Collum and Commissioner Homeyer abstaining.

Speakers: Carlos Nava– supportive; Mike Morse– opposed.

k. 535 Harvard St - Houston Heights Historic District South (Alteration-Addition *Deferral*)

Motion was made by Commissioner Elliott, seconded by Commissioner Mod to deny the Certificate of Appropriateness for item II-k. Motion carried with Commissioner Cosgrove and Commissioner Hellyer abstaining.

Speakers: Jason Holloway, owner and Sam Gianukos, applicant – supportive.

l. 1330 Allston St – Houston Heights Historic District West (Alteration-Addition)

Motion was made by Commissioner Elliott, seconded by Commissioner Mod, to deny the Certificate of Appropriateness for item II-l. Motion carried with Commissioner Hellyer opposing, and Commissioner Homeyer, Commissioner Archer, Commissioner Garcia-Herreros, Commissioner Bucek, and Commissioner Cosgrove abstaining.

Speakers: Noe Ramirez and Gabriela Ramirez, owner/applicant and Jeri Nordbrook – supportive.

m. 1407 Arlington St - Houston Heights Historic District East (Alteration-Addition)

Motion was made by Commissioner Mod, seconded by Commissioner Stava to deny the Certificate of Appropriateness for item II-m. Motion carried with Commissioner Elliott, Commissioner Hellyer and Commissioner Cosgrove opposing and Commissioner Homeyer abstaining.

Speaker: Antonio Mechler, applicant - supportive.

Motion was made by Commissioner Homeyer, seconded by Commissioner Mod to grant a 10 minute recess.

n. 4210 Roseland St – First Montrose Commons Historic District (Alteration-Windows)

Motion made by Commissioner Elliott, seconded by Commissioner Archer to grant the Certificate of Appropriateness for item II-n. Motion carried with Commissioner Stava opposing and Commissioner Mod and Commissioner Bucek abstaining.

Speaker: Fivos Kazilas, owner/applicant – supportive.

o. 1811 Harvard St – Houston Heights Historic District East (Alteration-Addition *Revision*)

Motion was made by Commissioner Homeyer, seconded by Commissioner Cosgrove to grant the Certificate of Appropriateness for item II-o with the condition that the proposed brick piers on the porch be replaced with simple square wood corner posts. Motion carried with Commissioner Bucek and Commissioner Collum opposing.

Speakers: Jason Starr, owner and Colin Shelton, applicant - supportive.

III. PRELIMINARY DESIGN REVIEW FOR 1205-1215 RUTLAND STREET (NEW CONSTRUCTION) IN HOUSTON HEIGHTS WEST:

The Preliminary Design review for 1205-1215 Rutland Street Houston Heights Historic District West was given by Delaney Harris-Finch.

Speakers: Michael Bastian and Sam Gianukos – supportive.

IV. PUBLIC HEARING AND CONSIDERATION OF LANDMARK DESIGNATION APPLICATION FOR FIRE STATION NO. 2 AT 317 SAMPSON STREET:

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

Motion made by Commissioner Cosgrove, seconded by Commissioner Stava that the Houston Archaeological and Historical Commission recommend to City Council the Landmark Designation of Fire Station No. 2 at 317 Sampson Street. Motion carried unanimously

V. PUBLIC HEARING AND CONSIDERATION OF LANDMARK DESIGNATION APPLICATION FOR THE JACK R. AND AUBAN TENISON HOUSE AT 1609 KIRBY DRIVE:

Staff made correction that this application is for Landmark designation only, not Protected Landmark designation.

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

Motion made by Commissioner Cosgrove, seconded by Commissioner Stava that the Houston Archaeological and Historical Commission recommend to City Council the Landmark Designation of the Jack R. and Auban Tenison House at 1609 Kirby Drive. Motion carried unanimously

VI. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC AND THE HAHC:

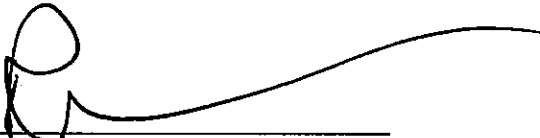
Commissioner Elliott stated that Russell Brown designed many houses and actually lived in Westmoreland.

Commissioner Cosgrove requested the status and results of any decisions made by Planning Commission concerning appeals from the Houston Archeological and Historical Commission from last month. Delaney Harris-Finch replied the HAHC denial of 1815 Cortlandt St. was upheld unanimously at the Planning Commission meeting.


Commissioner Stava announced that he received an email that six historic houses will be moved to a lot near Fire House No. 2 on Saturday night. Mrs. Margaret Wallace-Brown announced that there will be a group gathering at the Moon Tower Inn at 8 p.m. to watch the houses be moved.

VII. ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business brought before the commission, a motion was made by Commissioner Cosgrove, seconded by Commissioner Homeyer to adjourn the meeting 6:12 p.m.



Maverick Welsh
Chair



Patrick Walsh
Executive Secretary