MINUTES OF THE HOUSTON ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Thursday, March 26, 2015 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 3:04 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 |
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| Debra Blacklock-Sloan | Α |
| David Bucek | Р |
| Romulo Tim Cisneros | Р |
| Ann Collum | Р |
| John Cosgrove | Р |
| Douglas Elliott | Α |
| Jorge Garcia-Herreros | Р |
| Rob D. Hellyer | Р |
| Kerry L. Goelzer | 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 introduced and welcomed Kerry Goelzer a new Commissioner to the HAHC. He also went over the operating procedures and Speaker Rules for the audience and the application procedures for the audience. He also encouraged each Commissioner to participate in each vote and to make motions to help move the meeting along.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The Director's report was given by Deputy Director, Margaret Wallace Brown. Mrs. Wallace Brown announced the Historic Preservation Ordinance Review Committee's last meeting will be held Wednesday, April 1, and a summary of the changes will be presented at the meeting. She also thanked the five Commission members that served on the HPO Review Committee for devoting their time to the process. Asked for everyone's participation and input for the General Plan "Plan Houston" information about Plan Houston can be found on the planhouston.org website. The department is expecting to bring the Plan forward before City Council for vote late this summer. She announced the City is hosting the 2015 Neighborhoods USA Conference May 20 – 23 at the Hyatt Regency Houston. NUSA will bring over 1,000 civic leaders from across the country to Houston.

MAYOR'S CULTURAL LIAISON REPORT

None

APPROVAL OF THE FEBRUARY 26, 2015 HOUSTON ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND HISTORICAL COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

Motion was made by Commissioner Mod, seconded by Commissioner Collum, to approve the February 26, 2015 Houston Archaeological and Historical Commission meeting minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

A. MONTHLY PRESERVATION TOPIC:

None

Motion made by Commissioner Mod, seconded by Commissioner Cisneros, to adjust speaker times for non-applicants to one minute. Motion carried unanimously.

B. CONSIDERATION OF CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS APPLICATIONS:

Motion was made by Commissioner Cosgrove, seconded by Commissioner Mod to consider agenda items B-1, B-3, B-6, B-8, B-9, B-10, B-11, B-13, B-14, B-15, B-17, B-19, B-21, B-22, B-23, B-24, B-25, B-26 and B-29 together at this time. Motion carried unanimously.

- 1. 1807 State St. Old Sixth Ward Historic District New Construction-Garage
- 3. 217 Marshall St. Westmoreland Historic District Demolition-Garage
- 6. 4005 Michaux St. Norhill Historic District Alteration-Addition
- 8. 1436 Studewood St. -- Norhill Historic District -- Alteration-Sign Noncontributing
- 9. 711 W. Cottage St. Norhill Historic District Alteration-Siding/Trim/Door Resubmittal
- 10. 4009 Pineridge St. Norhill Historic District Alteration-Addition Revision
- 11. 221 W. 13th St. Houston Heights West Historic District New Construction–Garage
- 13. 1215 Rutland St. Houston Heights West Historic District New Construction–Residence Revision
- 14. 1435 Tulane St. Houston Heights West Historic District Alteration–Addition *Noncontributing*
- 15. 1222 Rutland St. Houston Heights West Historic District New Construction-Garage
- 17. 712 Arlington St. Houston Heights South Historic District Alteration-Addition
- 19. 3219 White Oak Dr. Houston Heights South Historic District Alteration–Sign Noncontributing
- 21. 939 Harvard St. Houston Heights South Historic District Demolition Garage Apartment
- 22. 1115 Arlington St. Houston Heights East Historic District Alteration-Addition Resubmittal
- 23. 1341-1345 Cortlandt, 212-218 E. 14th St. Houston Heights East Historic District Alteration– Siding/Trim/Windows *Noncontributing*
- 24. 420 E. 20th St. Houston Heights East Historic District Alteration–Commercial Bldg. *Noncontributing*
- 25. 1515 Oxford St. Houston Heights East Historic District New Construction–Residence/Garage
- 26. 1404 Arlington St. Houston Heights East Historic District Alteration–Garage Noncontributing
- 29. 502 Omar St. Woodland Heights Historic District Alteration-Siding/Windows/Doors

Motion made by Commissioner Mod, seconded by Commissioner Cisneros, to grant Certificates of Appropriateness. Motion carried unanimously.

2. 1808 State St. - Old Sixth Ward Historic District (Alteration-Windows) Revision

Motion was made by Commissioner Stava, seconded by Commissioner Mod to grant the Certificate of Appropriateness for item B-2 with the following conditions: All salvageable windows be restored; custom made non-fin-mount wood windows with 4/4 sashes with the exact same dimensions as the originals be used as replacements for those damaged beyond repair. Motion carried with Commissioner Archer, Commissioner Bucek and Commissioner Hellyer opposing.

Speakers: Kim Nguyen and Thomas Nguyen, owner – supportive; Ryan Boehner, Adrian Melendez and Diane Morin - opposed.

- **4. 7650 Drouet St. Glenbrook Valley Historic District (Alteration–Siding/Trim) Noncontributing** Motion was made by Commissioner Cisneros, seconded by Commissioner Mod to grant the Certificate of Appropriateness for item B-4 with the following conditions: applicant uses vertical siding in the gables instead of the horizontal. Motion carried unanimously.
- **5. 8734 Glenloch Dr. Glenbrook Valley Historic District (Alteration–Windows/Door)**Motion was made by Commissioner Cosgrove, seconded by Commissioner Hellyer to defer the Certificate of Appropriateness for item B-5. Motion carried with Commissioner Collum abstaining.

 Speaker: Daniel Hollaway, owner opposed.
- 7. 902 Pizer St. (aka 3915 Julian St.) Norhill Historic District (Alteration–Siding/Trim/Door)

 Motion was made by Commissioner Hellyer, seconded by Commissioner Archer to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness for item B-7. Motion carried unanimously.

 Speaker: Rod Frego, applicant supportive.
- **12. 1107** Tulane St. Houston Heights West Historic District (New Construction–Garage) Motion was made by Commissioner Mod, seconded by Commissioner Garcia-Herreros to grant the Certificate of Appropriateness for item B-12 with the following conditions: That the stacked stone foundation skirting on the front elevation be removed. Motion carried unanimously.
- **16. 625 Cortlandt St. Houston Heights South Historic District (Alteration–Dormers)**Motion was made by Commissioner Bucek, seconded by Commissioner Mod to partially grant the Certificate of Appropriateness for item B-16 as follows: Approval of the rear dormer and denial of the front dormer. Motion carried unanimously.

 Speaker: Mary Chase, owner supportive.

18. 901 Heights Blvd. – Houston Heights South Historic District (New Construction–Garage) Resubmittal

Motion was made by Commissioner Collum, seconded by Commissioner Stava to defer the Certificate of Appropriateness for item B-18. Motion carried unanimously.

20. 605 Cortlandt St. – Houston Heights South Historic District (New Construction–Residence)Motion was made by Commissioner Goelzer, seconded by Commissioner Mod to defer the Certificate of Appropriateness for item B-20. Motion carried unanimously.

Speakers: Timothy Kirwin, representing owner and Pedro Martinez, owner – supportive.

27. 1548 Cortlandt St. – Houston Heights East Historic District (Alteration/Relocation–Addition/Foundation) *Resubmittal*

Motion was made by Commissioner Garcia-Herreros, seconded by Commissioner Goelzer to defer the Certificate of Appropriateness for item B-27. Motion carried unanimously.

Speakers: Sam Gianukos, applicant and Matthew Ager, owner – supportive.

28. 3215 Morrison St. – Woodland Heights Historic District (New Construction–Residence/Garage) Resubmittal

Motion was made by Commissioner Mod, seconded by Commissioner Garcia-Herreros to deny the Certificate of Appropriateness for item B-28. Motion carried with Commissioner Cosgrove and Commissioner Hellyer opposing.

Speaker: Bradley Smith, applicant - supportive.

C. PUBLIC HEARING AND CONSIDERATION OF LANDMARK DESIGNATION APPLICATION FOR:

a. Thomas Donoghue House at 17 Cortlandt Place

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

Motion made by Commissioner Cosgrove, seconded by Commissioner Collum that the Houston Archaeological and Historical Commission recommend to City Council the Landmark Designation of the Thomas Donoghue House at 17 Cortlandt Place. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Mod recused and left the room.

b. Melrose Building at 1121 Walker Street

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

Motion made by Commissioner Cosgrove, seconded by Commissioner Garcia-Herreros that the Houston Archaeological and Historical Commission recommend to City Council the Landmark Designation of the Melrose Building at 1121 Walker Street. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Mod returned.

D. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC AND THE HAHC:

Matthew Ager asked for the definition of a setback and how it would be measured.

Pete Stockton explained the definition of a setback.

Commissioner Cosgrove asked for an update on any appeals that went before the Planning Commission.

E. ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business brought before the Commission, a motion was made by Commissioner Collum, seconded by Commissioner Cosgrove to adjourn the meeting 4:59 p.m.

Maverick Welsh

Chair

Margaret Wallace Brown
Executive Secretary