

**HOUSTON ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND HISTORICAL COMMISSION
MINUTES
THURSDAY, 12 FEBRUARY 2026
CITY HALL ANNEX, 900 BAGBY ST., PUBLIC LEVEL, HOUSTON TX 77002**

Call to Order and Roll Call by Chair Bucek at 2:32 PM

Commissioners	Quorum – Present / Absent
David Bucek, Chair	Present
John Cosgrove, Vice Chair	Present
Shantel Blakely	Present
Robert Browning	Present
Josh Brodbeck	<i>Absent</i>
Becky Davis	Present
Zion Escobar	Present
Craig Garcia	Present
David Craig Hille	Present
Ashley Jones	Present
Sam Seidel	Present
Carl Smith	Present
Mark Smith	<i>Absent</i>
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, Acting Secretary of the Commission and Deputy Director of the Houston Planning and Development Department, provided several updates. City Council approved six properties recommended for landmark designation and two properties recommended for reclassification from contributing to non-contributing status. A public hearing with HAHC on the proposed Norhill Design Guidelines is scheduled for March 24, with postcard notices being mailed to property owners and information posted online.

For the current review cycle, the department received four pre-application design review requests and 29 new COA applications, bringing the year-to-date totals to 11 pre-applications and 59 COAs submitted. Four COAs were administratively approved this cycle, for a year-to-date total of 12 approvals.

Mayor Liaison’s Report – None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Consideration for the January 15, 2026, Houston Archaeological and Historical Commission meeting minutes

Commission action: Approved, with corrections.

Motion: Escobar
Second: Hille

Vote: Unanimous
Opposed: None

A. PUBLIC HEARING AND CONSIDERATION OF AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON A PROTECTED LANDMARK DESIGNATION APPLICATION FOR THE TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH AT 2600 HOLMAN STREET, HOUSTON, TX 77004

Commission action: Approved.

Speaker(s): Emily Ardoin, Ed Jones

Motion: Escobar
Second: Hille

Vote: Unanimous
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	702 Harvard Street	Alteration – Addition	Houston Heights South	Approval
2	2010 Kane Stret	Alteration – Addition	Old Sixth Ward	Approval
3	1611 Columbia Street	Alteration – Addition	Houston Heights East	Approval
4	1611 Columbia Street	Alteration – Garage or Carport	Houston Heights East	Approval
5	1203 Tulane Street	New Construction – Garage or Carport	Houston Heights West	Approval
6	1203 Tulane Street	Alteration – Addition	Houston Heights West	Approval
7	1123 Jerome Street	New Construction – Garage or Carport	Norhill	Approval
8	1123 Jerome Street	Alteration – Addition	Norhill	Approval
9	3000 Morrison Street	New Construction – Garage or Carport	Westland Heights	Approval
10	3607 White Oak Drive	Alteration – Sign	Houston Heights South	Approval
11	303 Hawthorne Street	New Construction – Garage or Carport	Westmoreland	Approval
12	4007 Oak Ridge Street	Alteration – Addition, Windows, Porch or Balcony	Norhill	Approval and Issuance of COR

Staff recommendation: Approve Item B No’s. 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 9, 10, 11, and 12.

Commission action: Accepted staff recommendations for Item B No’s. 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 9, 10, 11, and 12. Certificates of Appropriateness (COA) and Certificates of Remediation (COR).

Motion: CSmith
Second: Garcia

Vote: Carried
Abstaining: Seidel 7, 8

ITEM(S) B. 2, 7 AND 8 WERE REMOVED FOR SEPARATE CONSIDERATION

B2. 2010 KANE STREET

Staff recommendation: Approval.

Commission action: Approved, per staff recommendation.

Speaker(s): None

Motion: Hille
Second: Seidel

Vote: Unanimous
Opposed: None

ITEM(S) B7 AND B8 WERE TAKEN TOGETHER AT THIS TIME

B7 1123 JEROME STREET

Staff recommendation: Approval.

Commission action: Approved, per staff recommendation.

Motion: Davis
Second: Cosgrove

Vote: Carried
Abstaining: Seidel

B8. 1123 JEROME STREET

Staff recommendation: Approval.

Commission action: Approved, per staff recommendation.

Speaker(s): Sam Gianukos – applicant, Virginia Kelsey – opposed

Motion: Cosgrove
Second: Garcia

Vote: Carried
Abstaining: Seidel

C. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC –

Speaker(s): Virginia Kelsey wanted to know the process of the approval for the Norhill Design Guidelines. Secretary Robert Williamson gave a brief outline of the process.

Emily Ardoin with Preservation Houston announced, Cornerstone Dinner that presents the Good Brick Award.

D. HISTORIC PRESERVATIONS OFFICER’S REPORT –

Yasmin Arslan, Interim Preservation Officer, Record set for HAHC ending early.

E. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business brought before the Commission, Chair David Bucek adjourned the meeting at 3:06 PM.

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David Bucek, Chair

Signed by:
Robert Williamson
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Robert Williamson, Secretary