MINUTES OF THE HOUSTON ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Thursday, July 28, 2016
Meeting held at the City Hall Annex, City Council Chambers, Public Level

900 Bagby Street, Houston, Texas 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.

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CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The Chair's report was given by Chair, Maverick Welsh. Mr. Welsh reviewed the operating procedures and Speaker Rules for the audience. He also mentioned applications are due 22 days in advance of the monthly HAHC meeting. The HAHC will not accept new material including handouts or revised plans at today's meeting. Submitting new documents at the meeting may cause your application to be deferred another month. Mr. Welsh also announced the meeting was airing live on HTV and asked everyone to speak into the microphone so they could be heard. Lastly, he encouraged each Commissioner to participate in each vote and to make motions to help move the meeting along. Mr. Welsh encouraged each Commissioner to participate in each vote, reserve abstentions when there is a conflict of interest and to ensure microphones are turned on when speaking.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The Director's report was given by Deputy Director, Margaret Wallace Brown. Mrs. Wallace Brown announced the Department has been notified by the Texas Historic Commission that our application to be designated as a Certified Local Government has been approved by the Texas Historic Commission and it has been forwarded to the National Parks Service this week. City of Houston will be reaching out to the community in an attempt to identify preservation-minded organizations or individuals who are capable of relocating and restoring the protected landmark Cohn House that is currently sitting in front of the George R Brown Convention Center. It is our intent to issue a Request for Interest within the next month. The City wants the structure to find a permanent home with an owner that will restore and care for the house into the next century. She also announced that property owners in the Heights districts should be receiving a notice in the mail for the upcoming Design Guidelines workshop that will be held in September and also, the department is developing a workshop for realtors to help realtors help their clients make better decisions when it comes to buying historic properties. The workshop is scheduled for September 20.

APPROVAL OF THE JUNE 16, 2016 HOUSTON ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND HISTORICAL COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

Motion was made by Commissioner Collum, seconded by Commissioner Stava to approve the June 16, 2016 Houston Archaeological and Historical Commission meeting minutes. Motion carried with Commissioner Cosgrove abstaining.

A. STAFF PRESENTATION ON COA APPROVALS FOR JANUARY - JUNE 2016:

Presentation given by Kathleen Taus with the Planning and Development Department.

Commissioner Mod recused herself.

B. CONSIDERATION OF CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS APPLICATIONS FOR:

Motion was made by Commissioner Cosgrove, seconded by Commissioner Kelman to consider agenda items B-1, B-2, B-5, B-9, B-11, B-12, B-16 and B-17 together at this time. Motion carried unanimously.

- 1. 133 Parkview St. Alteration Addition Germantown Historic District
- 2. 408 Hawthorne St. Alteration Porch Westmoreland Historic District
- 5. 900 Commerce St. Alteration Siding/Windows Main Street Market Square Historic District
- 9. 1846 Harvard St. Alteration Siding Heights East /Hou Hts Woman's Club
- 11. 509 Teetshorn St. Alteration Addition Resubmittal Woodland Heights Historic District
- 12. 3320 Beauchamp St. Alteration Addition/Porch Woodland Heights Historic District
- 16. 501 Harvard St. Alteration Addition Houston Heights South Historic District
- 17. 1130 E. 14th St. Alteration Addition Norhill Historic District

Motion was made by Commissioner Collum, seconded by Commissioner Cosgrove to grant Certificates of Appropriateness for items B-1, B-2, B-5, B-9, B-11, B-12, B-16 and B-17. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Mod returned.

3. 7715 Morley St. – Alteration-Windows – Glenbrook Valley Historic District

Motion was made by Commissioner Kelman, seconded by Commissioner Ardoin to deny the Certificate of Appropriateness for item B-3. Motion carried unanimously.

4. 2315 Union St. - Alteration - Siding/Trim Revision - Old Sixth Ward Historic District

Motion was made by Commissioner Collum, seconded by Commissioner Ardoin to deny the Certificate of Appropriateness. Motion carried unanimously. Additional motion was made by Commissioner Kelman, seconded by Commissioner Mod to grant a Certificate of Remediation for all proposed work with the conditions that the gable window be installed properly and the proportions of the trim readjusted to match the original trim for item B-4: Motion carried with Collum opposing.

Speaker: Phil Arnett, applicant - supportive

6. 805 Franklin St. – New Construction – Parking Garage – Main Street Market Square Historic District Motion was made by Commissioner Cosgrove, seconded by Commissioner Archer to expand the context area to the entire District. Motion carried unanimously. Additional motion was made by Commissioner Collum, seconded by Commissioner Archer to defer the Certificate of Appropriateness for item B-6. Motion carried unanimously.

Speakers: Timothy Ronan, owner and Jeffery Brown, architect - supportive

7. 1106 Columbia St. - Alteration - Addition - Houston Heights East Historic District

Motion was made by Commissioner Kelman, seconded by Commissioner Hellyer to grant the Certificate of Appropriateness for item B-7. Motion carried with Commissioner Ardoin, Commissioner Collum and Commissioner Stava opposing.

Speaker: Karen Braiser, applicant - supportive

8. 1531 Oxford St. - Alteration - Addition - Houston Heights East Historic District

Motion was made by Commissioner Cosgrove, seconded by Commissioner Archer to grant the Certificate of Appropriateness for item B-8. Motion carried with Commissioner Ardoin, opposing and Commissioner Stava abstaining.

Speakers: Christopher Burton, owner and Mark Van Doren, applicant - supportive

10. 504 E 12th St. - Alteration – Addition – Houston Heights East Historic District Motion was made by Commissioner Kelman, seconded by Commissioner Archer to grant the Certificate of Appropriateness for item B-10. Motion carried with Commissioner Stava abstaining.

13. 424 Euclid St. - Alteration - Addition Resubmittal - Woodland Heights Historic District
Motion was made by Commissioner Cosgrove, seconded by Commissioner Kelman to grant the Certificate of
Appropriateness for item B-13 as submitted. Motion carried with Commissioner Collum opposing.
Speakers: Brook and Lucas Brown, owners - supportive.

14. 536 Harvard St - Alteration - Porch/Windows/Door Revision - Houston Heights South Historic District

Motion was made by Commissioner Collum, seconded by Commissioner Mod to defer the Certificate of Appropriateness for items B-14. Motion carried unanimously.

Speakers: Brittany Orlando, applicant and Kathleen Powell - supportive

15. 848 Heights Blvd. – Alteration – Windows Revision – Houston Heights South Historic District Motion was made by Commissioner Kelman, seconded by Commissioner Mod to deny the Certificate of Appropriateness and grant a Certificate of Remediation for the window removal for item B-15. Motion carries with Commissioner Collum and Commissioner Stava opposing.

Speakers: David Oppermann, owner and Mark Van Doren, - supportive

18. 1011 E 14th St. – Alteration – Windows – Norhill Historic District

Motion was made by Commissioner Mod, seconded by Commissioner Archer to deny the Certificate of Appropriateness and grant a Certificate Remediation for the window removal for items B-18. Motion carried unanimously.

Speaker: Carrie Moore, owner - supportive

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

1. The Scholibo Building at 912 Prairie Street

The Chair opened and closed the public hearing. No Speakers

Motion was made by Commissioner Cosgrove, seconded by Commissioner Collum that the Houston Archaeological and Historical Commission recommend to City Council the Protected Landmark Designation for item C-1 the Scholibo Building at 912 Prairie Street. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Houston Housing Authority's 22 Freedmen's Town Historic Rental Initiative Houses located at:

 1500 Andrews St • 1603 Andrews St 1501 Andrews St 1604 Andrews St 1502 Andrews St 1606 Andrews St 1503 Andrews St 1607 Andrews St 1504 Andrews St 1608 Andrews St 1505 Andrews St 1609 Andrews St 1505-A Andrews St • 1309 Gillette St 1507 Andrews St • 1310 Gillette St 1509 Andrews St • 1313 Gillette St 1517 Andrews St • 1315 Gillette St 1518 Andrews St • 1602 Ruthven St

The Chair opened and closed the public hearing. No Speakers.

Motion was made by Commissioner Collum, seconded by Commissioner Cosgrove that the Houston Archaeological and Historical Commission recommend to City Council the Protected Landmark Designation for item C-2 the Houston Housing Authority's 22 Freemen's Town Historic Rental Initiative Houses. Motion carried unanimously.

D. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC AND THE HAHC:

Commissioner Collum asked the Commissioners to save the date for October 1st and 2nd for the first annual Historic Glenbrook Valley home tour.

E. ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business brought before the commission, Chair, Mr. Maverick Welsh, adjourned the meeting at 5:31 p.m. Motion was made by Commissioner Stava and seconded by Commissioner Kelman. Motion carried unanimously.

Maverick Welsh

Chair

Margaret Wallace Brown

Executive Secretary