MINUTES OF THE HOUSTON ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Thursday, May 19, 2016 Meeting to be 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 3:02 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.

Maverick Welsh
Jorge Garcia-Herreros
P
Edie Archer
Anna Mod
P
John Cosgrove
Ann Collum
A
Minnette Bickel Boesel
P
Arrived at 3

Minnette Bickel Boesel P arrived at 3:03 p.m. during the Chairman's Report

Rob D. Hellyer P
Charles Stava P
Brie Kelman P
David Bucek A
Emily Ardoin P

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The Chair's report was given by Chair, Maverick Welsh. Chair Welsh reviewed the operating procedures and Speaker Rules for the audience. 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.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The Director's report was given by Deputy Director, Margaret Wallace Brown. Mrs. Wallace Brown reported the City approved Winter & Company as the vendor for the Historic District Design Guidelines. She also provided details on the design guidelines phases. Mrs. Wallace Brown reported the Appeals Board will meet next week to hear two appeals. Also mentioned, for the month of May, the Department received a total of 40 Certificate of Appropriateness (COA) applications and 18 were processed administratively.

MAYOR'S CULTURAL LIAISON REPORT NONE

APPROVAL OF THE APRIL 21, 2016 HOUSTON ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND HISTORICAL COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

Motion was made by Commissioner Cosgrove, seconded by Commissioner Kelman to approve the April 21, 2016 Houston Archaeological and Historical Commission meeting minutes with the amendment of Commissioner Mod's vote for agenda item B. Commissioner Mod reported her company was the applicant for item B and asked to amend her vote from Approve to Abstain. Motion carried unanimously.

A. REPORT ON CITY-OWNED HISTORIC BUILDINGS ELIGIBLE FOR LANDMARK DESIGNATION

The report was given by Diana DuCroz with the Historic Preservation Division, Planning and Development Department. Ms. DuCroz presented on City-owned structures or objects with potential historic significance, which has been suggested for landmark designation. A subcommittee consisting of Commissioners Stava, Bucek, and Garcia-Herreros is tasked with evaluating the undesignated structures or objects. Ms. DuCroz reported on the project's achievements and what is planned in the near future.

B. CONSIDERATION OF CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS APPLICATIONS FOR:

Motion was made by Commissioner Boesel to remove item B-10 for separate consideration as she was unable to open the document/application for this item. Motion was made by Commissioner Cosgrove, seconded by Commissioner Mod to consider agenda items B-1, B-2, B-6, B-7, B-8, B-9, B-11, B-12 and B-13 together at this time.

- 1. 2411 River Oaks Blvd Alteration-Door LM / Ernest L. Shult-John Connally Jr. House
- 2. 2111 Del Monte St Alteration-Addition/Windows LM / TC Montgomery House
- 6. 601 Woodland St Alteration-Addition Woodland Heights Historic District
- 7. 801 W Fugate St. Demolition-Shed Norhill Historic District
- 8. 1136 Winston St Alteration-Addition Norhill Historic District
- 9. 4627 Oakridge St. Demolition-Garage Norhill Historic District
- 11. 943 1/2 Cortlandt St New Construction-Garage Houston Heights Historic District South
- 12. 1534 Cortlandt St New Construction-Garage Houston Heights Historic District East
- 13. 615 Cortlandt St. Alteration-Addition Houston Heights Historic District South

Motion was made by Commissioner Cosgrove, seconded by Commissioner Kelman to grant Certificates of Appropriateness for items B-1, B-2, B-6, B-7, B-8, B-9, B-11, B-12 and B-13. Motion carried unanimously.

3. 7739 Meadville St - Alteration-Windows - Glenbrook Valley Historic District

Motion was made by Commissioner Archer, seconded by Commissioner Hellyer to grant the Certificate of Appropriateness for item B-3. Motion carried unanimously. Staff reported they were unable to locate mid-century aluminum windows for mass production on the current market. Staff also reported there are currently no viable replacement options; thus, vinyl has been an acceptable window replacement alternative.

4. 1907 Crockett St - Alteration-Addition Deferred - High First Ward Historic District

Motion was made by Commissioner Archer, seconded by Commissioner Garcia-Herreros to grant the Certificate of Appropriateness for item B-4 as recommended by staff. Motion carried with Commissioners Ardoin and Stava opposing. Speakers: Sarah Hannah, applicant – supportive; Pete Stockton, Senior Inspector, Public Works and Engineering Department

5. 1809 Summer St - Alteration-Shutters - High First Ward Historic District Withdraws

10. 1604 North Blvd - Alteration-Addition Noncontrib Deferred - Boulevard Oaks Historic District Motion was made by Commissioner Kelman, seconded by Commissioner Cosgrove to grant the Certificate of Appropriateness for item B-10. Motion carried with Commissioners Stava and Boesel abstaining.

Motion was made by Commissioner Kelman, seconded by Commissioner Archer to consider items C-1 and C-2 together at this time. Motion carried unanimously.

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

- 1. Brooks House at 5231 Braesvalley Drive
- 2. Phyllis Palmer and William T Price House at 1611 Bass Street

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

Motion was made by Commissioner Cosgrove seconded by Commissioner Ardoin that the Houston Archaeological and Historical Commission recommend to City Council the Protected Landmark Designation for the Brooks House at 5231 Braesvalley Drive; and the Phyllis Palmer and William T Price House at 1611 Bass Street. Motion carried unanimously.

D. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC AND THE HAHC:

Commissioner Boesel made an announcement in reference to Commissioners supporting the Historic Investment Tax Credit legislation.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business brought before the commission, Chair, Mr. Maverick Welsh, adjourned the meeting at 3:53 p.m. Motion was made by Commissioner Cosgrove and seconded by Commissioner Ardoin. Motion carried unanimously.

Maverick Welsh

Chair

Margaret Wallace Brown Executive Secretary