

Minutes of the Houston Archaeological and Historical Commission

(A recording of the full proceedings is on file in the Planning and Development Department)

May 21, 2020

Telephonic/Videoconference Meeting held via Microsoft Teams <https://bit.ly/2zJgDvC>
3:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Minnette Bickel Boesel called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. with a roll call vote and a quorum present.

Minnette Bickel Boesel, Chair

David Bucek, Vice Chair Absent

Jose Aranda, Jr.

Steven Curry Absent

Ann Collum

John Cosgrove

Ashley Elizabeth Jones

Ben Koush

Stephen McNeil Arrived at 3:15 p.m.

Urmila Srinivasan

Charles Stava

Beth Wiedower Jackson

Dominic Yap Absent

EXOFFICIO MEMBERS

Samantha Bruer, Architectural Archivist, Houston Metropolitan Research Center

Marta Crinejo, Mayor's Liaison

Executive Secretary

Margaret Wallace Brown, Director, Planning and Development

CHAIR'S REPORT

The Chair Minnette Bickel Boesel thanked staff for their continued hard work. She later asked the Legal staff to comment about current virtual meeting procedures.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Margaret Wallace Brown offered some virtual meeting reminders and thanked the Chair for assisting with a Spaghetti Warehouse award submission to American Planning Association Texas Chapter.

MAYOR'S LIAISON REPORT

NONE

APPROVAL OF THE APRIL 23, 2020 HOUSTON ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND HISTORICAL COMMISSION (HAHC) MEETING MINUTES

Commission action: Approved the April 23, 2020 Houston Archaeological and Historical Commission (HAHC) meeting minutes.

Motion: **Koush** Second: **Wiedower Jackson** Vote: **Carried** Abstaining: **Aranda**

**A. PRESENTATION OF 2019 ANNUAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION REPORT
(Roman McAllen)**

At Chair's request, Kim Mickelson of the Legal Department reviewed virtual procedures.

**B. CONSIDERATION OF AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON CERTIFICATE OF
APPROPRIATENESS APPLICATIONS FOR CONSENT AGENDA**

Motion made by Commissioner Wiedower Jackson, seconded by Commissioner Jones, to consider items **B-1, B-2 and B-6** together. Motion carried unanimously.

**B-1. 405 Highland Street - New Construction - Garage Apartment - Woodland Heights-
Approval**

B-2. 1126 Al Gregg Street - Alteration – Addition – Norhill - Approval

B-6. 2707 Stanford Street – Alteration – Door/Window/Roof -Avondale West – Approval

Motion made by Commissioner Jones, seconded by Commissioner Stava, to accept staff recommendations for items **B-1, B-2 and B-6**. Motion carried unanimously.

B-3. 529 Oxford Street - Alteration - Porch/Roof - Houston Heights South

Motion was made by Commissioner Collum, seconded by Commissioner Stava, to deny the Certificate of Appropriateness for item B-3. Motion carried unanimously. Speaker: Alexander Ridgway, applicant – supportive.

B-4. 611 Heights Boulevard - Alteration – Addition - Houston Heights South

Motion was made by Commissioner McNeil, seconded by Commissioner Wiedower Jackson, to deny the Certificate of Appropriateness for item B-4. Motion carried unanimously. Speaker: Max Stovall, owner – supportive.

B-5. 1128 Arlington Street - Alteration - Addition, Foundation - Houston Heights East

Motion was made by Commissioner Koush, seconded by Commissioner McNeil, to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness for item B-5, as submitted by the applicant. Motion carried with Commissioners Collum and Stava opposed.

Speakers: Elena Coates, owner and Palmer Schooley, architect – supportive.


**C. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC
NONE**

D. COMMENTS FROM THE HAHC

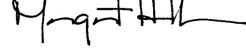
Commissioner Srinivasan, Kim Mickelson and Margaret Wallace Brown commented about enforcement. Chair Boesel and Roman McAllen thanked Kareem Heshmat, and acknowledged his new endeavor. The Chair commented about more virtual meetings.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business brought before the Commission, Chair Minnette Bickel Boesel adjourned the meeting at 4:42 p.m.

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Chair

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