



**Historic Landmark Commission
MINUTES**

**REGULAR MEETING
Monday, December 16, 2013**

The Historic Landmark Commission convened in a regular meeting on Monday, December 16, 2013 at City Hall (Boards & Commissions Room), 301 W. 2nd Street in Austin, Texas.

Vice Chair John Rosato called the public hearing to order at 7:05p.m.

Commission Members in Attendance:

*Vice Chair John Rosato, Andrea Roberts, Mary Jo Galindo
Leslie Wolfenden-Guidry, Terri Myers and Dan Leary*

Commission Members not present:

Chair Laurie Limbacher,

Staff in Attendance: Steve Sadowsky, Alyson McGee, Tori Haase

CALL TO ORDER: 7:05 P.M.

I. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

The first three speakers signed up prior to the meeting being called to order will each be allowed a three-minute allotment to address their concerns regarding items not posted on the agenda.

No speakers

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. November 18, 2013

MOTION: Postpone the minutes from the November 18, 2013 public hearing to January 27th, 2014 on Commissioner Myers' motion; Commissioner Leary second the motion with a 6-0 vote.

III. BRIEFINGS

1. **East Sixth Street streetscape rehabilitation proposal**

Speakers: Gerard Kinney and Michele Haussman, representing Sixth Street Austin property and business owners association.

Michelle Haussman and Gerard Kinney briefed the Commission on the proposal.

2. **East Sixth Street streetscape rehabilitation proposal**
Speaker: Howard Lazarus, City of Austin Public Works Department.

Howard Lazarus briefed the Commission on the proposal.

IV. PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON APPLICATIONS FOR HISTORIC ZONING

No cases

B. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON APPLICATIONS FOR CERTIFICATES OF APPROPRIATENESS

1. C14H-2004-0025

Worley House, 802 E. 47th Street

Proposal: Replace the existing deteriorated roof with either slate or synthetic slate.

Applicant: Ellen Williams, owner

City Staff: Steve Sadowsky, Historic Preservation Office, 974-6454

Committee Recommendation: The Committee suggested use of a material closer to the existing material than the then-proposed standing seam metal, and recommended that the applicant salvage roof tiles as artifacts.

Staff Recommendation: Approve the Certificate of Appropriateness. The applicant has not yet decided whether to go with a true slate or a synthetic slate roof, but the appearance of the roof will be similar to the existing roofing.

MOTION: Approve the Certificate of Appropriateness on a motion by Commissioner Leary's motion. Commission Myers second the motion with a 6-0 vote.

2. C14H-1976-0012

Morley Brothers Drug Store, 209 E. 6th Street

Proposal: Replace glass block in the sidewalk in front of the building.

Applicant: Werner Campbell

City Staff: Steve Sadowsky, Historic Preservation Office, 974-6454

Committee Recommendation: Not reviewed.

Staff Recommendation: Consider an alternative to removing the glass block that will maintain the historic look and provide a safer, non-slip walking surface.

John Neifeler spoke in support. No speakers in opposition. The public hearing was closed on a motion by Commissioner Myers; Commissioner Galindo second the motion on a 6-0 vote.

The motion to deny the Certificate of Appropriateness application by Commissioner Myers and second by Commissioner Leary was withdrawn by Commissioner Myers and second by Commissioner Leary.

MOTION: Postpone discussion and action for this project to January 24, 2014 in order to allow staff to make arrangements with City Inspectors to be present at the next public hearing and also to research the date of origination of the glass

blocks on Commissioner Myers motion, Commissioner Leary second the motion on a 6-0 vote.

MOTION: Approve amending the consent agenda to include item D.6, 1002 Meriden Lane on a motion by Commissioner Leary, Commissioner Galindo second the motion on a 6-0 vote.

C. REVIEW OF PERMITS IN NATIONAL REGISTER HISTORIC DISTRICTS

1. NRD-2013-0047

507 Oakland Avenue (West Line)

Proposal: Demolish a contributing house and garage.

Applicant: James Schissler

City Staff: Alyson McGee, Historic Preservation Office, 974-7801

Committee Recommendation: Continue to consider options that allow for adaptive reuse of the existing buildings. If new construction is pursued design a building, or buildings, that are compatible with the scale, patterns and character of the district.

Staff Recommendation: Postpone releasing the permit and encourage the applicant to consider alternatives to demolition.

MOTION: Postpone the public hearing to January 27th, 2014 on Commissioner Myers' motion; Commissioner Leary second the motion with a 6-0 vote.

2. NRD-2013-0048

505 Oakland Avenue (West Line)

Proposal: Demolish a contributing building.

Applicant: James Schissler

City Staff: Alyson McGee, Historic Preservation Office, 974-7801

Committee Recommendation: Continue to consider options that allow for adaptive reuse of the existing buildings. If new construction is pursued design a building, or buildings, that are compatible with the scale, patterns and character of the district.

Staff Recommendation: Postpone releasing the permit and encourage the applicant to consider alternatives to demolition.

MOTION: Postpone the public hearing to January 27th, 2014 on Commissioner Myers' motion; Commissioner Leary second the motion with a 6-0 vote.

3. NRD-2013-0066

1607 W. 10th Street (Clarksville)

Proposal: Demolish a contributing house and construct a new house.

Applicant: David Cancialosi

City Staff: Alyson McGee, Historic Preservation Office, 974-7801

Staff Recommendation: Release the permit with the recommendation that the applicant consider a design that allows for the adaptive reuse of the existing house, and require a City of Austin documentation package be submitted prior to release of the demolition permit.

MOTION: Postpone the public hearing to January 27th, 2014 on Commissioner Myers' motion; Commissioner Leary second the motion with a 6-0 vote.

4. **NRD-2013-0072**
1415 Ethridge Avenue (Old West Austin)
Proposal: Demolish a non-contributing house and construct a new house.
Applicant: Marc Lewis
City Staff: Alyson McGee, Historic Preservation Office, 974-7801
Staff Recommendation: Release the permit per the proposed design with the recommendation that the applicant simplify the roof form.

MOTION: Release the demolition permit in accordance with Staff recommendation on passage of the consent agenda on Commissioner Leary's motion; Commissioner Myers second the motion with a 6-0 vote.

5. **NRD-2013-0073**
1512 W. 29th Street (Old West Austin)
Proposal: Construct a second story addition to a contributing house.
Applicant: Darby Pearson
City Staff: Alyson McGee, Historic Preservation Office, 974-7801
Staff Recommendation: Release the permit with the recommendation that the applicant consider a design that maintains the house's contributing status, and require a City of Austin documentation package be submitted prior to release of the permit.

MOTION: Postpone the public hearing to January 27th, 2014 on Commissioner Myers' motion; Commissioner Leary second the motion with a 6-0 vote.

6. **NRD-2013-0078 –WITHDRAWN BY APPLICANT**
4201 Wilshire Parkway (Wilshire)
Proposal: Construct a detached second residence on a contributing property.
Applicant: Gregory Brooks
City Staff: Alyson McGee, Historic Preservation Office, 974-7801
Staff Recommendation: Application withdrawn at applicant's request.

Application withdrawn by applicant; No action required

7. **NRD-2013-0091**
3206 Beverly Road (Old West Austin)
Proposal: Construct a second story addition to a one-story contributing house.
Applicant: David V. Shrum
City Staff: Alyson McGee, Historic Preservation Office, 974-7801
Staff Recommendation: Release the permit per the proposed design with the recommendation that the applicant set the second story facade farther back the front of the original home, and require submittal of a City of Austin documentation package prior to release of the permit.

MOTION: Release the permit in accordance with Staff recommendation on passage of the consent agenda on Commissioner Leary's motion; Commissioner Myers second the motion with a 6-0 vote.

8. NRD-2013-0098

2419 Jarratt Avenue (Old West Austin)

Proposal: Revise façade features and construction a second story addition on a contributing house.

Applicant: Roost Custom Homes

City Staff: Alyson McGee, Historic Preservation Office, 974-7801

Staff Recommendation: Release the permit per the proposed design with the recommendation that the applicant consider a design that maintains the house's contributing status, and require submittal of a City of Austin documentation package prior to release of the permit.

MOTION: Release the permit in accordance with Staff recommendation on passage of the consent agenda on Commissioner Leary's motion; Commissioner Myers second the motion with a 6-0 vote.

D. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON APPLICATIONS FOR DEMOLITION OR RELOCATION

1. HDP-2013-0829 – POSTPONEMENT REQUEST BY APPLICANT

2910 Rio Grande Street

Proposal: Demolish a ca. 1928 house.

Applicant: Edward Lopez and Bethany Bartel

City Staff: Steve Sadowsky, Historic Preservation Office, 974-6454

Staff Recommendation: Encourage the applicant to retain the house on site if possible, if not, then encourage relocation over demolition, but release the permit upon completion of a City of Austin Documentation Package consisting of photographs of all elevations, a dimensioned sketch plan, and a narrative history, for archiving at the Austin History Center.

MOTION: Postpone the public hearing to January 27th, 2014 on Commissioner Myers' motion; Commissioner Leary second the motion with a 6-0 vote.

2. HDP-2013-0870

1703 Newton Street

Proposal: Demolish a ca. 1948 house.

Applicant: Craig Hoverman and Eric Leishman

City Staff: Steve Sadowsky, Historic Preservation Office, 974-6454

Staff Recommendation: Encourage relocation over demolition, but release the permit upon completion of a City of Austin Documentation Package consisting of photographs of all elevations, a dimensioned sketch plan, and a narrative history, for archiving at the Austin History Center.

MOTION: Release the demolition permit in accordance with Staff recommendation on passage of the consent agenda on Commissioner Leary's motion; Commissioner Myers second the motion with a 6-0 vote.

- 3 **HDP-2013-0874**
 1807 Clifford Avenue
 Proposal: Demolish a ca. 1951 house.
 Applicant: Michael Kane and Nick Travis
 City Staff: Steve Sadowsky, Historic Preservation Office, 974-6454
 Staff Recommendation: Release the permit.

MOTION: **Release the demolition permit in accordance with Staff recommendation on passage of the consent agenda on Commissioner Leary's motion; Commissioner Myers second the motion with a 6-0 vote.**

- 4 **HDP-2013-0886**
 705 E. Monroe Street
 Proposal: Demolish a ca. 1939 house.
 Applicant: Kimber Cavendish
 City Staff: Steve Sadowsky, Historic Preservation Office, 974-6454
 Staff Recommendation: Encourage the applicant to retain the house on site if possible; if not, then encourage relocation over demolition, but release the permit upon completion of a City of Austin Documentation Package consisting of photographs of all elevations, a dimensioned sketch plan, and a narrative history, for archiving at the Austin History Center.

MOTION: **Release the demolition permit in accordance with Staff recommendation on passage of the consent agenda on Commissioner Leary's motion; Commissioner Myers second the motion with a 6-0 vote.**

5. **HDP-2013-0889**
 2019 E. 3rd Street
 Proposal: Demolish a house that was moved to the current site in 1949.
 Applicant: DW Construction Services
 City Staff: Steve Sadowsky, Historic Preservation Office, 974-6454
 Staff Recommendation: Encourage relocation over demolition, but release the permit upon completion of a City of Austin Documentation Package consisting of photographs of all elevations, a dimensioned sketch plan, and a narrative history, for archiving at the Austin History Center.

MOTION: **Release the demolition permit in accordance with Staff recommendation on passage of the consent agenda on Commissioner Leary's motion; Commissioner Myers second the motion with a 6-0 vote.**

6. **HDP-2013-0890**
 1002 Meriden Lane
 Proposal: Demolish a ca. 1956 house.
 Applicant: Mark Love
 City Staff: Steve Sadowsky, Historic Preservation Office, 974-6454
 Staff Recommendation: Release the permit upon completion of a City of Austin Documentation Package consisting of photographs of all elevations, a dimensioned sketch plan, and a narrative history, for archiving at the Austin History Center.

MOTION: Release the demolition permit in accordance with Staff recommendation on passage of the consent agenda on Commissioner Leary's motion; Commissioner Myers second the motion with a 6-0 vote.

7. **HDP-2013-0891**
2601 Sol Wilson Avenue
Proposal: Demolish a duplex that was moved to the current site in 1957.
Applicant: Dantag Enterprises
City Staff: Steve Sadowsky, Historic Preservation Office, 974-6454
Staff Recommendation: Release the permit.

MOTION: Release the demolition permit in accordance with Staff recommendation on passage of the consent agenda on Commissioner Leary's motion; Commissioner Myers second the motion with a 6-0 vote.

8. **HDP-2013-0892**
1300 Payne Avenue
Proposal: Demolish a ca. 1951 house.
Applicant: Sal Martinez, MX3 Homes
City Staff: Steve Sadowsky, Historic Preservation Office, 974-6454
Staff Recommendation: Release the permit.

MOTION: Release the demolition permit in accordance with Staff recommendation on passage of the consent agenda on Commissioner Leary's motion; Commissioner Myers second the motion with a 6-0 vote.

9. **HDP-2013-0894**
705 Norwalk Lane
Proposal: Demolish a house that was moved to the current site in 1957.
Applicant: John Nelson, GRW Real Estate
City Staff: Steve Sadowsky, Historic Preservation Office, 974-6454
Staff Recommendation: Encourage relocation over demolition, but release the permit.

MOTION: Release the demolition permit in accordance with Staff recommendation on passage of the consent agenda on Commissioner Leary's motion; Commissioner Myers second the motion with a 6-0 vote.

VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. **Certificates of Appropriateness Review Committee**
A report was given by Steve Sadowsky, Historic Preservation Officer.
- B. **Operations Committee**
A report was given by Steve Sadowsky, Historic Preservation Officer.
- C. **Grants Committee**
- D. **Preservation Plan Committee**

IV. NEW BUSINESS

- A. **Items from Commission**
- B. **Items from Staff**
1. **Discussion and Action**

Election of officers.

NOTE: An officer is elected for a one-year term, with a maximum of three (3) consecutive years in a specific position. However, the board may override the term limit provision by an affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3rds) vote of the authorized board members.

MOTION: Nominate and accept Laurie Limbacher as the Chair of the Historic Landmark Commission on a motion by Commissioner Leary, Commissioner Galindo second the motion on a 6-0 vote.

MOTION: Nominate and accept John Rosato as the Vice Chair of the Historic Landmark Commission on a motion by Commissioner Leary, Commissioner Galindo second the motion on a 5-0-1 vote (Commissioner Rosato recused).

MOTION: Nominate and accept Mary Jo Galindo as the Parliamentarian of the Historic Landmark Commission on a motion by Commissioner Myers, Commissioner Leary second the motion on a 5-0-1 vote (Commissioner Galindo recused).

2. Discussion and possible action on nomination to the National Register of Historic Places.

- a. Rosewood Courts, roughly bound by Chicon Street Rosewood Avenue, Yale Street and Poquito Street. Nomination documents can be viewed at : <http://www.thc.state.tx.us/sbrmeeting>.

Dr. Fred McGhee spoke and provided information on the nomination of Rosewood Courts to the National Register of Historic Places.

MOTION: The City of Austin Historic Landmark Commission supports the nomination of the Rosewood Courts to the National Register of Historic Places on a motion by Commissioner Myers; Commissioner Roberts second the motion on a 5-0-1 vote (Commissioner Wolfenden-Guidry recused).

ADJOURNMENT: 8:37P.M. on a motion by Commissioner Leary, Commissioner Galindo second the motion with a 6-0 vote.

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