HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION
September 25, 2017 - 7:00 p.m.
Regular Meeting
Council Chambers, Austin City Hall
301 W. 2nd Street
Austin, Texas

CURRENT BOARD MEMBERS:

- Mary Jo Galindo, Chair
- Emily Reed, Vice Chair
- Andrew Brown
- Emily Hibbs
- Trish Hudson
- Kevin Koch
- Terri Myers
- Tiffany Osburn
- Alex Papavasiliou
- Blake Tollett
- Beth Valenzuela

NOTES ON HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION MEETINGS

a) The first speaker signed up for each side of a contested public hearing will be allowed up to 5 minutes to speak. Any further speakers will be allowed up to 3 minutes. The Commission does not allow for the donation of time. The applicant or their agent may have a rebuttal after the conclusion of testimony of up to 3 minutes. Speakers should not repeat the testimony previously given on any case.

b) Cases passed by the Commission on the consent agenda will not have a formal public hearing. If a citizen would like to speak on a case proposed for passage on the consent agenda, that person should make it known to the Chair of the Commission at the time of the reading of the consent agenda. Otherwise, the case will pass on consent, and there is no later recourse.

c) In cases involving the review of demolition or relocation permit applications, the Commission may initiate a historic zoning case to further study the evidence regarding the potential of the subject property for landmark designation. If the Commission initiates a historic zoning case, the Commission will review the case again at its next regularly scheduled meeting for a recommendation regarding historic zoning. There will be no new notification sent out by the City stating the next hearing date - it is considered tantamount to a postponement to a date certain.

1. 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 items not posted on the agenda.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
   A. August 28, 2017 – Offered for Consent Approval

   MOTION: Approve minutes from the August 28, 2017 Historic Landmark Commission meeting on the consent agenda on a motion by Commissioner Koch. Commissioner Hibbs seconded the motion; vote: 9-0-1, Commissioner Papavasiliou abstaining.

3. PUBLIC HEARINGS
A. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON APPLICATIONS FOR HISTORIC ZONING, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON APPLICATIONS FOR HISTORIC DISTRICT ZONING APPLICATIONS, AND REQUESTS TO CONSIDER THE INITIATION OF A HISTORIC ZONING CASE

1. C14H-2017-0074 – Postponement request by applicant to October 23, 2017
   Gilfillan Place, 603 W. 8th Street
   Council District 9
   Proposal: Rezone one parcel from GO-H, GO-MU, and GO to DMU-H
   Applicant: Dave Anderson, Drenner Group, PC
   City Staff: Scott Grantham, Planning and Zoning Department, 974-3574
   Staff Recommendation: Grant the postponement request.

   MOTION: Postpone the public hearing to the October 23, 2017 meeting per passage of the consent agenda on a motion by Commissioner Valenzuela. Commissioner Reed seconded the motion; vote: 10-0.

2. C14H-1989-0022 – Ruggles-Smith House - Discussion
   1600 Rio Grande Street
   Council District 9
   Proposal: Rename the house the Ruggles-Smith-Olian House
   Applicant: Mo Olian, owner
   City Staff: Steve Sadowsky, Historic Preservation Office, 974-6454
   Staff Recommendation: Consider the renaming.

   Speakers in favor:
   Mo Olian

   No speakers in opposition.

   MOTION: Close public hearing on a motion by Commissioner Myers. Commissioner Brown seconded the motion; vote: 10-0.

   MOTION: Postpone the public hearing to the October 23, 2017 meeting on a motion by Commissioner Myers. Commissioner Reed seconded the motion; vote: 10-0.

   MOTION: Refer the item to the Operations Committee for discussion and recommendations, on a motion by Commissioner Myers. Commissioner Koch seconded the motion; vote: 10-0.

3. HDP-2017-0437 – 300 Colorado Street Warehouse Block – Offered for Consent Approval
   300 Colorado Street
   Council District 9
   Proposal: Demolish a ca. 1924 warehouse.
   Applicant: Michael Whellan
   City Staff: Steve Sadowsky, Historic Preservation Office, 974-6454
   Staff Recommendation: Release the permit upon completion of a HABS-level documentation package, including drawings on Mylar, for archiving at the Austin History Center and encourage the applicant to incorporate or otherwise
commemorate the history of this warehouse building into the design of the new tower.

MOTION: Approve the application in accordance with the staff recommendation, per passage of the consent agenda, on a motion by Commissioner Koch. Commissioner Hibbs seconded the motion; vote: 9-0-1, Commissioner Papavasiliou abstaining.

B. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON APPLICATIONS FOR CERTIFICATES OF APPROPRIATENESS

1. LHD-2017-0023 – Postpone to October 23, 2017 at applicant’s request
   Shipe Park Pool, 4400 Avenue G (Hyde Park)
   Council District 9
   Proposal: Install shade structures at the pool
   Applicant: Rey Hernandez and Robin Camp, Parks and Recreation Department
   City Staff: Steve Sadowsky, Historic Preservation Office, 974-6454
   Committee Recommendation: Approve as proposed with a later recommendation to incorporate native stone in the bases of the columns for the principal shade structure; design the temporary shade structure to have removable posts.
   Staff Recommendation: Approve as proposed. If the Commission adopts the further recommendation to incorporate native stone into the base of the columns, then staff can approve revised plans administratively.

   MOTION: Postpone the public hearing to the October 23, 2017 meeting per passage of the consent agenda on a motion by Commissioner Valenzuela. Commissioner Reed seconded the motion; vote: 10-0.

2. LHD-2017-0026 – Offered for Consent Approval
   4302 Avenue D
   Council District 9
   Proposal: Replace rear windows and door
   Applicant: Lonanne Magnuson
   City Staff: Cara Bertron, Historic Preservation Office, 974-1446
   Committee Recommendation: Keep light well window on the primary façade below grade. Encourage retention of door and recognition of historic window proportions.
   Staff Recommendation: Approve the plans as revised.

   Speakers in favor:
   Garland Turner

   No speakers in opposition.

   MOTION: Close the public hearing on a motion by Commissioner Koch. Commissioner Hibbs seconded the motion; vote: 10-0.

   MOTION: Postpone the public hearing to the October 23, 2017 meeting and refer the application to the Certificate of Appropriateness Committee on a motion by Commissioner Koch. Commissioner Valenzuela seconded the motion; vote: 8-2, Commissioners Papavasiliou and Brown opposed.

   2402 San Gabriel Street
Council District 9
Proposal: Construct a 154-unit student housing complex
Applicant: Edward Johnson
City Staff: Steve Sadowsky, Historic Preservation Office, 974-6454
Committee Recommendation: Wrap the corner in stone to allow for a greater
differentiation between the new construction and the historic building, and cut a
corner of the amenity center back to further articulate the historic building.
Staff Recommendation: Approve as proposed.

Speakers in favor:
Edward Johnson
Mark Hart

No speakers in opposition.

MOTION: Close the public hearing on a motion by Commissioner Myers.
Commissioner Papavasiliou seconded the motion; vote: 10-0.

MOTION: Approve the application, per staff recommendation, on a motion by
Commissioner Koch. Commissioner Valenzuela seconded the motion; vote: 10-0.

3805 W. 35th Street – Mayfield-Gutsch Estate
Council District 10
Proposal: Clean wood siding of garden sheds, reglaze windows, repair and
reconstruct historic walls
Applicant: Kim McKnight, Parks and Recreation Department
City Staff: Cara Bertron, Historic Preservation Office, 974-1446
Committee Recommendation: Not reviewed.
Staff Recommendation: Approve as proposed.

MOTION: Approve the application per passage of the consent agenda, on a motion by
Commissioner Koch. Commissioner Hibbs seconded the motion; vote: 8-0-1-1,
Commissioner Papavasiliou abstaining. Commissioner Tollett recused.

320 Congress Avenue – Koppel Building
Council District 9
Proposal: Restore 4 arched storefront openings.
Applicant: Scott Magic, Magic Architecture
City Staff: Steve Sadowsky, Historic Preservation Office, 974-6454
Committee Recommendation: Not reviewed.
Staff Recommendation: Approve as proposed with the recommendation that the
applicant use a wood spandrel as the base of the sidelights on the 4th Street
elevation to match the existing, albeit non-historic, door unit; if the Commission
adopts the further staff recommendation, then staff can approve the revision to the
plans administratively.

MOTION: Approve the application in accordance with the staff recommendation, per
passage of the consent agenda, on a motion by Commissioner Koch. Commissioner
Hibbs seconded the motion; vote: 9-0-1, Commissioner Papavasiliou abstaining.
C. REVIEW OF PERMITS IN NATIONAL REGISTER HISTORIC DISTRICTS

1. NRD-2017-0065 – Discussion
3304 Kerbey Lane
Council District 10
Proposal: Construct second-story addition, rear addition, and rear porch
Applicant: Richard Pounds
City Staff: Cara Bertron, Historic Preservation Office, 974-1446
Committee Feedback: Use horizontal siding in new second-story gable; second-story addition setback could be larger.
Staff Recommendation: Project does not comply with the Secretary’s Standards. Issue comments on the application or postpone it and encourage the applicant to submit a more compatible design.

Speakers in favor:
Richard Pounds

No speakers in opposition.

MOTION: Close the public hearing on a motion by Commissioner Myers. Commissioner Papavasiliou seconded the motion; vote: 10-0.

COMMENT: Commissioners Koch and Myers concur with staff recommendation and assert that the proposed modifications will render the structure non-contributing to the historic district. No additional comment to the staff recommendation.

MOTION: Approve the application on a motion by Commissioner Koch. Commissioner Papavasiliou seconded the motion; vote: 10-0.

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

1. HDP-2016-0698 – Postpone to October 23, 2017 at applicant’s request
1408 E. 2nd Street
Council District 3
Proposal: Demolish a ca. 1897 house
Applicant: Henry Juarez
City Staff: Steve Sadowsky, Historic Preservation Office, 974-6454
Staff Recommendation: Staff is working with the applicant to develop a historic zoning case on this house. Staff recommends granting the postponement request.

MOTION: Postpone the item D.1 to the October 23, 2017 meeting per passage of the consent agenda on a motion by Commissioner Valenzuela. Commissioner Reed seconded the motion; vote: 10-0.

2. HDP-2017-0497 – Offered for Consent Approval
501 E. Mary Street
Council District 9
Proposal: Demolish a ca. 1929 house
Applicant: Joseph Builders, LLC
City Staff: Steve Sadowsky, 974-6454
Staff Recommendation: Encourage rehabilitation and adaptive re-use, then relocation over demolition, but release the permit upon completion of a City of Austin Documentation Package.

Speakers in favor:
Gabe Joseph

Speakers in opposition:
James Bilodeau

MOTION: Close the public hearing on a motion by Commissioner Koch.
Commissioner Valenzuela seconded the motion; vote: 10-0.

MOTION: Postpone item D2 to the October 23, 2017 meeting on a motion by Commissioner Koch. Commissioner Myers seconded the motion; vote: 8-2, Commissioners Papavasiliou and Brown opposed.

3. HDP-2017-0500 / NRD-2017-0067-- Offered for Consent Approval
201 W. 7th Street and 200 W. 6th Street
Council District 9
Proposal: Demolish a ca. 1974 office building, relocate a public plaza, modify a historic-age building, and construct a new high-rise building.
Applicant: DPR Construction
City Staff: Steve Sadowsky, 974-6454
Staff Recommendation: Release the permits as proposed upon completion of a City of Austin Documentation Package for Claudia Taylor Johnson Hall.

Speakers in favor:
Stan Graves

No speakers in opposition.

MOTION: Close the public hearing on a motion by Commissioner Papavasiliou.
Commissioner Reed seconded the motion; vote: 10-0.

MOTION: Approve the application in accordance of the staff recommendation, and include a documentation package for the 1974 office building at 201 W. 7th St. on a motion by Commissioner Valenzuela. Commissioner Myers seconded the motion; vote: 10-0.

E. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON DEMOLITION BY NEGLECT CASES

1. DBN-2015-0001 -- Sebron Sneed House, 1801 Nelms Drive -- Discussion
Staff report update on progress of contacts with the owner of the property to resolve issues stemming from neglect.

MOTION: Postpone to the October 23, 2017 on a motion by Commissioner Papavasiliou. Commissioner Reed seconded the motion; vote 10-0.

5. COMMISSION ITEMS
A. COMMITTEE REPORTS
   1. Certificates of Appropriateness Review Committee
   2. Operations Committee
   3. Grants Committee
   4. Preservation Plan Committee

B. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

   MOTION: Direct staff to investigate preservation options for the Warehouse District on a motion by Commissioner Koch. Commissioner Reed seconded the motion; vote: 10-0.

ADJOURNMENT

   MOTION: Adjourn the meeting on a motion by Commissioner Koch. Commissioner Reed seconded the motion; vote: 10-0.

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For more information on the Historic Landmark Commission, please contact Steve Sadowsky, City Historic Preservation Officer, at 512-974-6454; Cara Bertron, Deputy Historic Preservation Officer, at 512-974-1446; or Andrew Rice, Historic Preservation Planner, at 512-974-1686.