

HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION

Monday, May 18, 2020 - 6:00 p.m. Regular Meeting NOTE: This meeting was conducted remotely via teleconference.

COMMISSION MEMBERS:

- __x___ Emily Reed, Chair
- __x___ Beth Valenzuela, Vice Chair
- __x___ Witt Featherston
- __x___ Ben Heimsath
- _____ Mathew Jacob
- _____ Kevin Koch

- __x___ Kelly Little
- __x__ Trey McWhorter
- __x___ Terri Myers
- _____ Alex Papavasiliou
- _____ Blake Tollett

MEETING MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

1. <u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES</u> A. April 27, 2020

MOTION: Approve the minutes from April 27, 2020 on the consent agenda by Heimsath, Valenzuela seconds. Vote: 7-0.

PRESENTATIONS, DISCUSSION, AND POSSIBLE ACTION
 A. Oakwood Cemetery Archaeology
 See memo in backup.

MOTION: Add to agenda for June by Heimsath, Myers seconds. Vote: 7-0. Staff clarified that the item will be placed on the first possible agenda given PARD staff availability (July or August).

3. PUBLIC HEARINGS

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

1. C14-2019-0108 – Parker House – Discussion 2404 Rio Grande Street Council District 9

Proposal: Remove historic zoning from the rear portion of the property. Applicant: William Archer, owner; Glen Coleman, agent.

City Staff: Heather Chaffin, Planning and Zoning Department, 974-2122. Staff Recommendation: Approve but taking into consideration Historic Preservation Office comments.

MOTION: Recommend against the removal of H zoning on the property by Myers, Little seconds. Vote: 7-0.

B. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON APPLICATIONS FOR CERTIFICATES OF APPROPRIATENESS

 C14H-1986-0008 – Littlefield Building – Discussion 106 E. 6th Street Council District 9

Proposal: Install a metal canopy over ground-floor windows on 6th Street.
Applicant: Chelsie Woodall Horyza, Wuest Group
City Staff: Steve Sadowsky, Historic Preservation Office, 974-6454
Committee Recommendation: Not reviewed.
Staff Recommendation: Deny this request; the applicant may propose a new solution at the hearing.

Speakers in favor: Sean O'Brien

No speakers in opposition.

MOTION: Approve the application by Heimsath, Featherston seconds. Vote: 6-0-1, Little off-dais.

C14H-1994-0012 – J.M. Crawford Building – Offered for consent approval 1412 S. Congress Avenue Council District 9

Proposal: Repair and rehabilitate stucco on the west elevation of the building;
install a wood shutter and loading dock doors over boarded-over openings.
Applicant: Rob Lippincott
City Staff: Steve Sadowsky, Historic Preservation Office, 974-6454
Committee Recommendation: Not reviewed.
Staff Recommendation: Approve as proposed.

MOTION: Pass Item B.2 on the consent agenda by Heimsath, Valenzuela seconds. Vote: 7-0.

3. C14H-1997-0008 – Northcliffe - Norwood Estate – Discussion 1018 Edgecliff Terrace Council District 9 Proposal: Restore historic home, add a rear terrace, reconstruct historic teahouse gazebo, add new storage building and auxiliary structure, and landscape the grounds. Applicant: Susan Benz City Staff: Kalan Contreras, Historic Preservation Office, 974-2727 Committee Recommendation: Not reviewed. Staff Recommendation: Approve as proposed with the recommendation that onsite interpretive materials are included in the project's scope of work.

Speakers in favor: D'Anne Williams Mell Lawrence Hector Martell Cameron Campbell Susan Benz Colleen Theriot

No speakers in opposition.

MOTION: Postpone the item to June 22, 2020 meeting by Myers, Reed seconds. Vote: 6-0-1, Heimsath abstaining.

4. C14H-2008-0037 – Offered for consent approval Texaco Depot, 1300-02 E. 4th Street

Council District 3

Proposal: Replace some windows and alter window openings, alter a rear roofline, add a full-height dormer, add a concrete ramp to a side elevation, install modern storefront systems in rear and side walls, add a new side staircase and rooftop MEP equipment, and construct a rear elevator tower, trellis, suspended roof deck, and perimeter fence. Applicant: Sky Currie, Clayton and Little Architects City Staff: Cara Bertron, Historic Preservation Office, 974-1446 Committee Recommendation: Not reviewed. Staff Recommendation: Approve the plans. MOTION: Pass Item B.4 on the consent agenda by Reed, Heimsath seconds. Vote: 7-0.

C. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON APPLICATIONS FOR A PERMIT WITHIN A NATIONAL REGISTER HISTORIC DISTRICT

1. NRD-2020-0004 – Discussion

90-92 Rainey Street (Rainey Street Historic District) Council District 9

Proposal: Demolish a ca. 1911-12 contributing building and construct a high-rise tower in its place.

Applicant: Nelsen Partners

City Staff: Kalan Contreras, Historic Preservation Office, 974-2727 Committee Recommendation: The building's scale precludes the possibility of compatibility through design choices.

Staff Recommendation: If the Commission votes to release the permit, then staff recommends relocation over demolition and completion of a City of Austin Documentation Package; the Commission may also choose to implement the demolition delay for contributing buildings. Comment on and release the plans for the new high-rise.

Speakers in favor: Amanda Swor Carson Nelsen

No speakers in opposition.

MOTION: Postpone the item to June 22, 2020 by Myers, Valenzuela seconds. Vote: 5-2, Featherston and McWhorter opposed.

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

HDP-2020-0096 – Discussion 601 W. 26th Street Council District 9 Proposal: Demolish a ca. 1890 commercial building. Applicant: Scott Burns City Staff: Steve Sadowsky, Historic Preservation Office, 974-6454 Staff Recommendation: Encourage rehabilitation and adaptive re-use, but release the permit upon completion of a City of Austin Documentation Package.

Speakers in favor: Scott Burns

Speakers opposed: Taylor McIntyre

Rebuttal: Scott Burns

MOTION: Release the application upon completion of a City of Austin Documentation Package by Featherston, Valenzuela seconds. Vote: 6-1, Myers opposed.

E. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON DEMOLITION BY NEGLECT CASES

 HDP-2019-0394 – Sebron Sneed House, 1801 Nelms Drive – Offered for consent approval to maintain the case on the agenda No new updates.

MOTION: Pass Item E.1 on the consent agenda by Heimsath, Valenzuela seconds. Vote: 7-0.

4. COMMISSION AND STAFF ITEMS

- A. Discussion and Possible Action on Committee Reports
 - 1. Certificate of Appropriateness Review Committee
 - 2. Operations Committee
 - 3. Grants Committee
 - 4. Preservation Plan Committee
- B. Future Agenda Items
- C. Historic Tax Abatements Discussion of eligible expenses for the abatement

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Adjourn the meeting by Reed, Myers seconds. Vote: 7-0.

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