

#### HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION WEDNESDAY, May 4, 2022 – 6:00 PM CITY HALL - Council Chambers 301 W. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street Austin, TX 78701

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#### **COMMISSION MEMBERS:**

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x Ben Heimsath, Vice Chair	<u>x</u> Trey McWhorter
<u>x</u> Anissa Castillo	<u> </u>
<u>ab</u> Witt Featherston	<u>ab</u> Beth Valenzuela
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<u>ab</u> Carl Larosche	

### AGENDA

#### CALL TO ORDER

#### **PUBLIC COMMUNICATION: GENERAL**

The first (10) speakers who register to speak no later than noon the day before the meeting will be allowed a three-minute allotment to address their concerns regarding items not posted on the agenda.

There were no speakers for Public Communication.

#### 1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. February 28, 2022 – Offered for consent approval

#### MOTION: Approve the minutes, on a motion by Commissioner Heimsath. Commissioner Koch seconded the motion. Vote: 8-0.

**B.** March 28, 2022 – Offered for consent approval

MOTION: Approve the minutes, on a motion by Commissioner Heimsath. Commissioner Koch seconded the motion. Vote: 8-0.

#### 2. BRIEFINGS

- A. Flat Top Fences City of Austin Community Engagement Office Presenter: Mayra Rivera
- **B. Proposed rehabilitations in Sixth Street National Register district** Presenter: Richard Suttle

#### **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 Initiation of Historic Zoning Cases
  - A.1. PR-2021-137925 1505 Forest Trl. Discussion (postponed February 28, 2022)

**Council District 10** 

Proposal: Commission-initiated historic zoning.

Owner's agent: Carolina Escamilla

City Staff: Elizabeth Brummett, Historic Preservation Office, 512-974-1264 Staff Recommendation: In consideration of the applicant's withdrawal of the demolition permit application and intent to retain the historic house while constructing additional housing on site, staff recommends that the Commission not pursue historic zoning.

Michael Leary spoke in favor of historic zoning. Carolina Escamilla spoke in opposition.

MOTION: Postpone the public hearing indefinitely and invite the applicant to the Architectural Review Committee, on a motion by Commissioner Heimsath. Commissioner Koch seconded the motion. Vote: 8-0.

#### A.2. PR-2021-195456 – 1617 New York Ave. – Consent postponement to June 1, 2022 (postponed March 28, 2022) Council District 1

Proposal: Commission-initiated historic zoning. Owner's agent: Holly Arthur City Staff: Kalan Contreras, Historic Preservation Office, 512-974-2727 Committee Feedback: Relocate the chimney to avoid disrupting the existing gable end and window. Retain the historic-age window for later replacement. Staff Recommendation: Grant the applicant's postponement request.

MOTION: Postpone the public hearing to June 1, 2022, per passage of the consent postponement agenda, on a motion by Commissioner Little. Commissioner Koch seconded the motion. Vote: 8-0.

### A.3. PR-2022-014784 – 1403 E. Cesar Chavez St. – Discussion (postponed March 28, 2022)

**Council District 3** 

Proposal: Commission-initiated historic zoning. Owner's agent: Robert Abbott City Staff: Kimberly Collins, Historic Preservation Office, 512-978-1801 Staff Recommendation: Consider recommending historic zoning.

Victoria Haase spoke in opposition of historic zoning. There were no speakers in favor.

**MOTION:** Postpone the public hearing to June 1, 2022, on a motion by Commissioner Koch. Commissioner McWhorter seconded the motion. Vote: 8-0.

#### A.4. DA-2022-007262 – 301 W 6<sup>th</sup> St. – Discussion Council District 9

Proposal: Commission-initiated historic zoning. Owner's agent: Michael Whellan City Staff: Kalan Contreras, Historic Preservation Office, 512-974-2727 Staff Recommendation: Consider recommending historic zoning.

Michael Whellan spoke in opposition of historic zoning. There were no speakers in favor.

MOTION: Close public hearing, on a motion by Commissioner Koch. Commissioner Little seconded the motion. Vote: 8-0.

MOTION: Release the application upon the completion of a City of Austin Documentation Package because the Commission cannot reach a supermajority to recommend historic zoning, on a motion by Commissioner Koch. Commissioner Tollett seconded the motion. Vote: 8-0.

MOTION: Extend the meeting to 10:45 PM, on a motion by Commissioner Heimsath. Commissioner Myers seconded the motion. Vote 8-0.

# **B.** Discussion and Possible Action on Applications for Certificates of Appropriateness

B.1. HR-2022-036714 – 4314 Avenue H. – Consent Hyde Park Local Historic District Council District 9 Proposal: Addition/remodel. Applicant: Lindsay Shillington City Staff: Kalan Contreras, Historic Preservation Office, 512-974-2727 Committee Feedback: None Staff Recommendation: Approve as proposed. MOTION: Approve the project in accordance with the staff recommendation, per passage of the consent agenda, on a motion by Commissioner McWhorter. Commissioner Koch seconded the motion. Vote: 8-0.

#### B.2. HR-2022-049609 – 2001 Rosewood Ave. – Consent Rosewood Courts Council District 1

Proposal: Exterior restoration. Applicant: Marsi Puente City Staff: Elizabeth Brummett, Historic Preservation Office, 512-974-1264 Staff Recommendation: Approve the application.

MOTION: Approve the project in accordance with the staff recommendation, per passage of the consent agenda, on a motion by Commissioner McWhorter. Commissioner Koch seconded the motion. Vote: 8-0.

#### B.3. HR-2022-050309 – 2300 Windsor Rd. – Consent McCrummen-Wroe House Council District 10

Proposal: Side and rear addition/remodel.

Applicant: Anna Grasso

City Staff: Kimberly Collins, Historic Preservation Office, 512-978-1801 Committee Feedback: The ARC Committee agreed that the semi-circular back porch addition likely dates from the 1980s or later and is not significant. ARC requested the investigation of the back, corner porch-specifically to open present masonry columns looking for evidence of the original wood porch columns inside. If any original material was found this historic fabric would need to be retained. The applicant investigated the columns and provided evidence that the original wooden porch columns were not inside.

Staff Recommendation: Approve and release the plans as proposed.

MOTION: Approve the project in accordance with the staff recommendation, per passage of the consent agenda, on a motion by Commissioner McWhorter. Commissioner Koch seconded the motion. Vote: 8-0.

- C. Discussion and Possible Action on Applications for Permits within National Register Districts
  - C.1. HR-2021-154877 1411 Ethridge Ave. Discussion (postponed November 15, 2021)
    Old West Austin National Register District
    Council District 10
    Proposal: Demolish a contributing building.
    Applicant: Rebecca Burrisk
    City Staff: Kalan Contreras, Historic Preservation Office, 512-974-2727

Staff Recommendation: Consider initiating historic zoning. Should the Commission decide against initiation, approve the application upon receipt of a City of Austin Documentation Package.

Rebecca Burrisk and Melissa Villasena spoke in favor of the project. Laura Lee spoke in opposition.

Commissioner Wright off dais for the remainder of the meeting.

MOTION: Close public hearing, on a motion by Commissioner Koch. Commissioner McWhorter seconded the motion. Vote: 7-0.

MOTION: Release the demolition permit upon the completion of a City of Austin Documentation Package, on a motion by Commissioner Koch. Commissioner Little seconded the motion. Vote: 3-4, Commissioners Koch, Little, and Tollett voting in favor and Commissioners Castillo, Heimsath, McWhorter, and Myers voting in opposition. The motion fails.

**MOTION:** Postpone the public hearing to June 1, 2022, on a motion by Commissioner Heimsath. Commissioner McWhorter seconded the motion. Vote: 7-0.

C.2. HR-2022-001198 – 804 Rutherford Pl. – Consent postponement to June 1, 2022 (postponed March 28, 2022) Travis Heights – Fairview Park National Register District Council District 9 Proposal: Demolish a contributing building and build new construction. Applicant: Vance Cobb City Staff: Kalan Contreras, Historic Preservation Office, 512-974-2727 Staff Recommendation: Grant the applicant's postponement request.

MOTION: Postpone the public hearing to June 1, 2022, per passage of the consent postponement agenda, on a motion by Commissioner Little. Commissioner Koch seconded the motion. Vote: 8-0.

 C.3. PR-2021-200516 – 512 E. Monroe St. – Consent postponement to June 1, 2022 (postponed March 28, 2022) Travis Heights – Fairview Park National Register District Council District 9 Proposal: Demolish a contributing building and build new construction. Applicant: Linda Sullivan City Staff: Kalan Contreras, Historic Preservation Office, 512-974-2727 Staff Recommendation: Grant the applicant's postponement request.

MOTION: Postpone the public hearing to June 1, 2022, per passage of the consent postponement agenda, on a motion by Commissioner Little. Commissioner Koch seconded the motion. Vote: 8-0.

C.4. HR-2022-016431 – 1803 Kenwood Ave. – Pulled for Discussion (postponed March 28, 2022) Travis Heights – Fairview Park National Register District Council District 9 Proposal: Demolish a circa 1937 single-story residence and replace it with a new construction single-family residence. Applicant: Ben Goudy City Staff: Kimberly Collins, Historic Preservation Office, 512-978-1801 Staff Recommendation: Comment on the plans, encouraging the applicant to make design modifications to be compatible with the Travis Heights National Register district and rehabilitation and adaptive reuse, then relocation over demolition, but release the permit upon completion of a City of Austin Documentation Package.

Ben Goudy spoke in favor of the project. Melanie Martinez and Susan Armstrong Fisher spoke in opposition.

**MOTION:** Close public hearing, on a motion by Commissioner Heimsath. Commissioner Koch seconded the motion. Vote: 7-0.

MOTION: Rescind motion closing public hearing, on a motion by Commissioner Heimsath. Commissioner Koch seconded the motion. Vote 7-0.

Ben Goudy provided a rebuttal.

**MOTION:** Postpone the public hearing to June 1, 2022, on a motion by Commissioner Heimsath. Commissioner McWhorter seconded the motion. Vote: 7-0.

C.5. PR-2022-002404 – 1315 & 1317 Newning Ave. – Applicant requested postponement to June meeting (postponed March 28, 2022) Travis Heights – Fairview Park National Register District Council District 9 Proposal: Demolish a contributing building. Applicant: Jorden Russell & Ricca Keepers City Staff: Kimberly Collins, Historic Preservation Office, 512-978-1801 Staff Recommendation: Grant the applicant's postponement request.

MOTION: Postpone the public hearing to June 1, 2022, per passage of the consent postponement agenda, on a motion by Commissioner Little. Commissioner Koch seconded the motion. Vote: 8-0.

 C.6. HR-2022-026102 – 1205 Alta Vista Ave. – Pulled for Discussion (postponed March 28, 2022) Travis Heights – Fairview Park National Register District Council District 9 Proposal: Demolish a contributing building and build new construction. Applicant: Christopher Zuniga

City Staff: Kalan Contreras, Historic Preservation Office, 512-974-2727 Staff Recommendation: Approve the application upon completion of a City of Austin Documentation Package.

Melanie Martinez and Susan Armstrong Fisher spoke in opposition of the project. There were no speakers in favor.

MOTION: Close public hearing, on a motion by Commissioner Heimsath. Commissioner McWhorter seconded the motion. Vote: 7-0.

MOTION: Postpone and reopen the public hearing to June 1, 2022, on a motion by Commissioner Heimsath. Commissioner McWhorter seconded the motion. Vote: 6-0-1. Commissioner Little abstains from the vote for being off the dais during discussion. The motion passes.

MOTION: Extend the meeting to 11:00 PM, on a motion by Commissioner Heimsath. Commissioner Koch seconded the motion. Vote 7-0.

#### C.7. HR-2022-045738 – 303 E. Live Oak St. – Consent Travis Heights – Fairview Park National Register District Council District 9

Proposal: Build new construction.

Applicant: Roy Jensen

City Staff: Kimberly Collins, Historic Preservation Office, 512-978-1801 Committee Feedback: The ARC found the carport and front porch compatible but felt the rooflines did not blend. ARC requested if the design could have a gable on the facade facing the street, perhaps a center gable presence on the single-story to add a more traditional profile to the street. The ARC suggested looking at 307 Live Oak's Mission Revival style for design cues and patterns. The ARC also suggested the 1st-floor porch could be a more substantial. ARC appreciated the attention the design paid to the historical patterns of the street with the placement of the carport on the side. The design was generally found proper in size, massing, and orientation. Staff Recommendation: Comment on and release the plans as proposed.

MOTION: Release the permit in accordance with the staff recommendation, per passage of the consent agenda, on a motion by Commissioner McWhorter. Commissioner Koch seconded the motion. Vote: 8-0.

 C.8. HR-2022-049637 – 1707 Alta Vista Ave. – Consent Travis Heights – Fairview Park National Register District Council District 9 Proposal: Demolish a garage and build new construction. Applicant: Linda Sullivan City Staff: Kalan Contreras, Historic Preservation Office, 512-974-2727 Staff Recommendation: Comment on and release the plans. MOTION: Release the permit in accordance with the staff recommendation, per passage of the consent agenda, on a motion by Commissioner McWhorter. Commissioner Koch seconded the motion. Vote: 8-0.

 C.9. HR-2022-051589 – 1503 Alta Vista Ave. – Consent Travis Heights – Fairview Park National Register District Council District 9 Proposal: Build new construction. Applicant: Matt Catterall City Staff: Kalan Contreras, Historic Preservation Office, 512-974-2727

Staff Recommendation: Comment on and release the plans.

MOTION: Release the permit in accordance with the staff recommendation, per passage of the consent agenda, on a motion by Commissioner McWhorter. Commissioner Koch seconded the motion. Vote: 8-0.

#### D. Discussion and Possible Action on Applications for Demolition or Relocation

#### D.1. PR-2022-037465 – 3412 Foothill Parkway – Consent Council District 10

Proposal: Demolish a ca. 1955 house. Applicant: Jennifer Smith City Staff: Kalan Contreras, Historic Preservation Office, 512-974-2727 Staff Recommendation: Approve the application upon completion of a City of Austin Documentation Package.

MOTION: Release the permit in accordance with the staff recommendation, per passage of the consent agenda, on a motion by Commissioner McWhorter. Commissioner Koch seconded the motion. Vote: 8-0.

#### D.2. PR-2022-032448 – 2002 Scenic Dr. – Discussion Council District 10

Proposal: Demolish a ca. 1930 house. Applicant: Stephen Hawkins City Staff: Kimberly Collins, Historic Preservation Office, 512-978-1801 Staff Recommendation: Postpone to allow staff to conduct further research. Should the Commission choose not to postpone approve the application upon receipt of a City of Austin Documentation Package.

Ila Falvey, Steve Luning, and Lisa Gilbert spoke in opposition of the project. There were no speakers in favor.

MOTION: Postpone the public hearing to June 1, 2022, on a motion by Commissioner Heimsath. Commissioner Koch seconded the motion. Vote: 7-0. MOTION: Extend the meeting to 11:15 PM, on a motion by Commissioner Heimsath. Commissioner Koch seconded the motion. Vote 7-0.

#### D.3. PR-2022-033331 – 902 E. 7<sup>th</sup> St. – Discussion Council District 1

Proposal: Relocate a ca. 1903-1906 house. Applicant: Francisco Resendiz City Staff: Kalan Contreras, Historic Preservation Office, 512-974-2727 Staff Recommendation: Consider initiating historic zoning based on survey recommendations. Should the Commission decide against initiation, approve the application upon receipt of a City of Austin Documentation Package.

Francisco Resendiz spoke in favor of the project. There were no speakers in opposition.

MOTION: Close public hearing, on a motion by Commissioner Koch. Commissioner Heimsath seconded the motion. Vote: 7-0.

MOTION: Reopen the public hearing and initiate historic zoning based on architecture and historical associations, on a motion by Commissioner Koch. Commissioner Little seconded the motion. Vote: 7-0.

#### D.4. DA-2022-040962 – 201-211 W. 4<sup>th</sup> St., 310-312 Colorado St. – Discussion Council District 9

Proposal: Total demolition of ca. 1930-1936 buildings with reconstruction of selected façades.

Applicant: Michele Rogerson Lynch

City Staff: Elizabeth Brummett, Historic Preservation Office, 512-974-1264 Committee Feedback: Retain façades in place or ensure accuracy in reconstruction; consider retaining masonry at the corner of 4<sup>th</sup> and Colorado; do not plant greenery behind the parapets.

Staff Recommendation: In consideration of the applicant's commitment to reconstruct selected building façades, release the associated permits upon completion of a City of Austin Documentation Package.

Clara Wineburg, Michele Lynch, David Ott, Michael Girard, Scott Neae, and Erica Morales spoke in favor of the project. Bjorn Schey, Ben Hlousek, Garry Brown, Joe Delia, Daniela Silva, Oliver Hoffman, Ezra Jacobs, Titus Parkks, Layn Beggs, Mark Jackson, Jessica Cohen, Ryan Meyer, Alyssa Rei, Tess Ortega, Dalton Albus, Katy Matz, Vanessa Burden, and Lisa Blackwell spoke in opposition.

MOTION: Take items D.4 and D.5 together and out of order between Sections 2.B and 3.A, on a motion by Commissioner Heimsath. Commissioner Koch seconded the motion. Vote 8-0.

MOTION: Leave the public hearing open and initiate historic zoning based on architectural significance as warehouses within the Warehouse District, community value for association with a former red-light district and LGBTQIA+ presence since 1875 and continuously since the 1980s, and historical associations with Oilcan Harry's and potentially with Harold Eichenbaum, on a motion by Commissioner Koch. Commissioner Little seconded the motion. Vote: 8-0.

#### D.5. DA-2022-040962 – 213 W. 4<sup>th</sup> St. – Discussion Council District 9

Proposal: Total demolition of ca. 1936 building with reconstruction of façade. Applicant: Michele Rogerson Lynch

City Staff: Elizabeth Brummett, Historic Preservation Office, 512-974-1264 Committee Feedback: Retain façades in place or ensure accuracy in reconstruction; consider retaining masonry at the corner of 4<sup>th</sup> and Colorado; do not plant greenery behind the parapets.

Staff Recommendation: In consideration of the applicant's commitment to reconstruct the building façade, release the associated permits upon completion of a City of Austin Documentation Package.

#### Item taken out of order with item D.4.

#### D.6. DA-2022-011968 – 209 & 213 W. 5<sup>th</sup> St. – Consent Council District 9

Proposal: Demolish ca. 1918 and ca. 1919 commercial buildings Applicant: Paula Knight

City Staff: Elizabeth Brummett, Historic Preservation Office, 512-974-1264 Staff Recommendation: Encourage rehabilitation and adaptive reuse, then relocation over demolition, but release the permit upon completion of a City of Austin Documentation Package.

MOTION: Release the permit in accordance with the staff recommendation, per passage of the consent agenda, on a motion by Commissioner McWhorter. Commissioner Koch seconded the motion. Vote: 8-0.

#### D.7. SP-2020-0297C – 1100 E. 5<sup>th</sup> St. – Discussion Council District 3

Proposal: Demolish a ca. 1948 Quonset hut. Applicant: Cristina Cordoba City Staff: Kalan Contreras, Historic Preservation Office, 512-974-2727 Staff Recommendation: If the Commission feels that the warehouse's associations are individually significant, consider initiation of historic zoning. Should the Commission decide against initiation, approve the application upon receipt of a City of Austin Documentation Package.

Richard Suttle spoke in favor of the project. There were no speakers in opposition.

MOTION: Postpone the public hearing to June 1, 2022, on a motion by Commissioner Heimsath. Commissioner Koch seconded the motion. Vote: 7-0.

#### D.8. PR-2022-045223 – 2905 Stratford Dr. –Consent Council District 8

Proposal: Demolish a ca. 1955 house and 1965 carport. Applicant: Linda Sullivan City Staff: Kalan Contreras, Historic Preservation Office, 512-974-2727 Staff Recommendation Approve the application upon completion of a City of Austin Documentation Package.

MOTION: Release the permit in accordance with the staff recommendation, per passage of the consent agenda, on a motion by Commissioner McWhorter. Commissioner Koch seconded the motion. Vote: 8-0.

E. Discussion and Possible Action on Demolition by Neglect Cases

**E.1.** No items.

F. Discussion and Possible Action on Applications for Tax Abatement for Rehabilitation of Property in a Local Historic District

F.1. 4211 Avenue C – Consent Hyde Park Local Historic District Council District 9 Proposal: Tax abatement application Applicant: Tere O'Connell City Staff: Kalan Contreras, Historic Preservation Office, 512-974-2727 Staff Recommendation: Approve the abatement.

MOTION: Approve the abatement in accordance with the staff recommendation, per passage of the consent agenda, on a motion by Commissioner McWhorter. Commissioner Koch seconded the motion. Vote: 8-0.

F.2. 1105 Castle Court – Consent Hyde Park Local Historic District Council District 9 Proposal: Tax abatement application Applicant: Tere O'Connell City Staff: Kalan Contreras, Historic Preservation Office, 512-974-2727 Staff Recommendation: Approve the abatement.

**MOTION:** Approve the abatement in accordance with the staff recommendation, per passage of the consent agenda, on a motion by

Commissioner McWhorter. Commissioner Koch seconded the motion. Vote: 8-0.

#### 4. COMMISSION AND STAFF ITEMS

A. Officer Elections

MOTION: Re-elect Commissioner Myers as Chair and Commissioner Heimsath as Vice Chair, on a motion by Commissioner Koch. Commissioner Little seconds the motion. Vote 7-0.

#### **B.** Discussion and Possible Action on Committee Reports

- **B.1.** Architectural Review Committee
- **B.2.** Operations Committee
- **B.3.** Grants Committee
- **B.4.** Preservation Plan Committee
- C. Future Agenda Items

## ADJOURNMENT – 11:14 PM, on a motion by Commissioner Tollett. Commissioner Koch seconded the motion. Vote 7-0.

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