REGULAR MEETING OF THE HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2026, AT 6:00 P.M.
CITY HALL, COUNCIL CHAMBERS
301 W. 2ND STREET
AUSTIN, TEXAS

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CURRENT COMMISSIONERS

_X_ BEN HEIMSATH, CHAIR (D-8)
VACANT, VICE CHAIR (D-2)
_X_ JEFFREY ACTON (MAYOR)
_X_ JAIME ALVAREZ (D-7)
_X_ HARMONY GROGAN (D-5)
_X_ KEVIN KOCH (D-3)
_X_ CARL LAROSCHE (D-6)
_X_ AUGUST HARRIS III (D-10)
_X_ TONYA PLEASANT-WRIGHT (D-1)
_AB_ JUDAH RICE (D-4)
_AB_ BAT TANIGUCHI (D-9)

Commissioners in Attendance Remotely: Chair Heimsath, Commissioner Pleasant-Wright, Commissioner Alvarez

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CALL TO ORDER: 6:02PM

PUBLIC COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

The first 10 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.

Bill Bunch spoke about the Barton Springs Bridge.
Meghan King Namour provided updates from Preservation Austin.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approve the minutes of the Historic Landmark Commission regular meeting on September 2, 2026.

MOTION: Approve the minutes per passage of the consent agenda, on a motion by Commissioner Larosche. Commissioner Acton seconded the motion. Vote 8-0. The motion passed.

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BRIEFINGS

2. Staff briefing regarding progress on the development of the Central City District Plan by Shanisha Johnson, Principal Planner and Olivia Beams, Senior Planner, Austin Planning.

PUBLIC HEARINGS/DISCUSSION ITEMS

Historic Zoning

3. PR-2026-053670 – 1109 Travis Heights Blvd.
Travis Heights-Fairview Park National Register Historic District
Council District 9
Proposal: Commission-initiated historic zoning.
Applicant: Historic Landmark Commission
City Staff: Austin Lukes, Historic Preservation Office, 512-978-0766
Staff Recommendation: Do not recommend historic zoning, as the property does not meet the required criteria.

MOTION: Close the public hearing on a motion by Commissioner Harris, seconded by Commissioner Pleasant-Wright. Vote 8-0. The motion passed.

MOTION: Recommend historic zoning on the basis of architecture, historical association, and community value on a motion by Commissioner Harris, seconded by Chair Heimsath. Vote 8-0. The motion passed.

4. PR-2026-086869 – 1005 E. 13th St.
Council District 1
Proposal: Commission-initiated historic zoning.
Applicant: Historic Landmark Commission
City Staff: Austin Lukes, Historic Preservation Office, 512-978-0766
Staff Recommendation: Do not recommend historic zoning, as the property does not meet the required criteria.

MOTION: Close the public hearing on a motion by Commissioner Grogan, seconded by Commissioner Harris. Vote 8-0. The motion passed.

MOTION: Accept the staff recommendation and release the demolition application upon completion of a City of Austin Documentation Package, on a motion by Commissioner Larosche. Commissioner Harris seconded the motion. Vote 8-0. The motion passed.

Historic Landmark and Local Historic District Applications

5. PR-2026-008188 – 1005 E. 8th St. – POSTPONED BY APPLICANT
Robertson/Stuart & Mair Local Historic District
Council District 1
Proposal: Demolish a contributing building. (Postponed by applicant on September 2, 2026)

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Applicant: Robbie MacGregor
City Staff: Austin Lukes, Historic Preservation Office, 512-978-0766
Staff Recommendation: Grant the applicant-requested postponement to the November 4, 2026 Historic Landmark Commission meeting.

MOTION: Postpone the public hearing to November 4, 2026 meeting per passage of the consent postponement agenda, on a motion by Commissioner Larosche. Commissioner Harris seconded the motion. Vote 8-0. The motion passed.

6. **PR-2026-018321; HR-2026-112231; C14H-1982-0001-f – 916 Congress Ave.**
Larmour Block (F)
Council District 9
Proposal: Reconstruct and construct a performance venue behind the existing façade.
Applicant: Patrick Georgiou
City Staff: Kalan Contreras, Historic Preservation Office, 512-974-2727
Staff Recommendation: Approve the fire doors and retroactively approve construction of the stage. Approve the general configuration and design of the proposed new storefront, but consider postponing the public hearing to November 4, 2026, to invite the applicant to the October meeting of the Architectural Review Committee.

MOTION: Close the public hearing on a motion by Commissioner Acton, seconded by Commissioner Grogan. Vote 8-0. The motion passed.

MOTION: Reopen the public hearing and postpone to the November 4, 2026 meeting, inviting the applicant to attend the October 14, 2026 meeting of the Architectural Review Committee with the condition that if an updated design for the front door meets the approval of the Architectural Review Committee, then the rest of the applicant's proposal can be approved administratively by staff, on a motion by Commissioner Larosche. Commissioner Acton seconded the motion. Vote 8-0. The motion passed.

7. **HR-2026-114321 – 2406 E. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.**
Rogers-Washington-Holy Cross Local Historic District
Council District 1
Proposal: Rehabilitate and construct an addition to a contributing building.
Applicant: Felicia Foster
City Staff: Austin Lukes, Historic Preservation Office, 512-978-0766
Staff Recommendation: Approve the Certificate of Appropriateness.

MOTION: Approve the application with staff recommendation per passage of the consent agenda, on a motion by Commissioner Larosche. Commissioner Acton seconded the motion. Vote 8-0. The motion passed.

8. **HR-2026-106327 – 2410 E. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.**
Rogers-Washington-Holy Cross Local Historic District
Council District 1

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Proposal: Construct two new residences.
Applicant: Felicia Foster
City Staff: Austin Lukes, Historic Preservation Office, 512-978-0766
Staff Recommendation: Postpone the public hearing to November 4, 2026 and invite the applicant to the October 14, 2026 meeting of the Architectural Review Committee.

MOTION: Close the public hearing on a motion by Commissioner Acton, seconded by Commissioner Harris. Vote 8-0. The motion passed.

MOTION: Approve the application with the condition of an updated design reinforcing the one-story massing of the neighborhood and the design meeting the approval of the Architectural Review Committee, on a motion by Commissioner Koch. Chair Heimsath seconded the motion. Vote 8-0. The motion passed.

9. HR-2026-104982 – 4309 Avenue D
Hyde Park Local Historic District
Council District 9
Proposal: Remodel a contributing building and convert the garage into an additional housing unit.
Applicant: Susan Pryor
City Staff: Austin Lukes, Historic Preservation Office, 512-978-0766
Staff Recommendation: Postpone the public hearing to November 4, 2026 and invite the applicant to the October 14, 2026 meeting of the Architectural Review Committee

MOTION: Close the public hearing on a motion by Commissioner Acton, seconded by Commissioner Pleasant-Wright. Vote 8-0. The motion passed.

MOTION: Invite the applicant to attend the October 14, 2026 meeting of the Architectural Review Committee with the condition that if an updated design addresses staff concerns and meets the approval of the Architectural Review Committee, then the applicant's proposal can be approved administratively by staff, on a motion by Chair Heimsath. Commissioner Larosche seconded the motion. Vote 8-0. The motion passed.

National Register Historic District Permit Applications

10. PR-2026-059982 – 2009 Travis Heights Blvd.
Travis Heights-Fairview Park National Register Historic District
Council District 9
Proposal: Demolish a contributing building. (Postponed by HLC on September 2, 2026)
Applicant: Gabe Joseph
City Staff: Austin Lukes, Historic Preservation Office, 512-978-0766
Staff Recommendation: Encourage rehabilitation and adaptive reuse, relocation, or deconstruction and salvage over demolition, but approve the demolition permit application upon completion of a City of Austin Documentation Package. The Historic Landmark

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Commission must review new construction drawings prior to permit release in National Register Historic Districts.

MOTION: Close the public hearing on a motion by Commissioner Harris, seconded by Commissioner Acton. Vote 8-0. The motion passed.

MOTION: Approve the application upon completion of a City of Austin Documentation Package on a motion by Commissioner Koch, seconded by Commissioner Acton. Vote 8-0. The motion passed.

11. SP-2026-035365; HR-2026-070009 – 611 West Lynn St.
West Line National Register Historic District
Council District 9
Proposal: Construct new residences. (Postponed by HLC on September 2, 2026)
Applicant: Casey Giles
City Staff: Austin Lukes, Historic Preservation Office, 512-978-0766
Staff Recommendation: Comment on plans for new construction in concurrence with Architectural Review Committee feedback and release the application.

MOTION: Close the public hearing on a motion by Commissioner Harris, seconded by Commissioner Acton. Vote 8-0. The motion passed.

MOTION: Approve the application per staff recommendation on a motion by Chair Heimsath, seconded by Commissioner Larosche. Vote 8-0. The motion passed.

12. PR-2026-079349 – 706 E. Monroe St.
Travis Heights-Fairview Park National Register Historic District
Council District 9
Proposal: Demolish a contributing building. (Postponed by applicant on September 2, 2026)
Applicant: Hannah Ma
City Staff: Austin Lukes, Historic Preservation Office, 512-978-0766
Staff Recommendation: Encourage rehabilitation and adaptive reuse, relocation, or deconstruction and salvage over demolition, but approve the demolition permit application upon completion of a City of Austin Documentation Package. The Historic Landmark Commission must review new construction drawings prior to permit release in National Register Historic Districts.

MOTION: Close the public hearing on a motion by Commissioner Harris, seconded by Commissioner Acton. Vote 8-0. The motion passed.

MOTION: Reopen the public hearing and postpone to the November 4, 2026 meeting, inviting the applicant to attend the October 14, 2026 meeting of the Architectural Review Committee on a motion by Chair Heimsath, seconded by Commissioner Grogan. Vote 8-0. The motion passed.

13. HR-2026-101908 – 1614 Preston Ave.

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Old West Austin National Register Historic District
Council District 10
Proposal: Rehabilitate a contributing building and construct a second-story addition. (Postponed by HLC on September 2, 2026)
Applicant: Arielle Marie Lawrence Yadhati
City Staff: Austin Lukes, Historic Preservation Office, 512-978-0766
Staff Recommendation: Comment on plans in concurrence with Architectural Review Committee feedback and release the application.

MOTION: Approve the application with staff recommendation per passage of the consent agenda, on a motion by Commissioner Larosche. Commissioner Acton seconded the motion. Vote 8-0. The motion passed.

14. **SB-2026-112656 – 71 Rainey St.**
Rainey Street National Register Historic District
Council District 9
Proposal: Install a freestanding sign.
Applicant: Santech Signs
City Staff: Kalan Contreras, Historic Preservation Office, 512-974-2727
Staff Recommendation: Approve the design and size of the sign, but require that it be mounted to one of the buildings shown on the provided site plan.

MOTION: Approve the application with staff recommendation per passage of the consent agenda, on a motion by Commissioner Larosche. Commissioner Acton seconded the motion. Vote 8-0. The motion passed.

15. **PR-2026-104861 – 2107 Hartford Rd.**
Old West Austin National Register Historic District
Council District 10
Proposal: Demolish a contributing building.
Applicant: Karen Rodewald
City Staff: Austin Lukes, Historic Preservation Office, 512-978-0766
Staff Recommendation: Encourage rehabilitation and adaptive reuse, relocation, or deconstruction and salvage over demolition, but approve the demolition permit application upon completion of a City of Austin Documentation Package. The Historic Landmark Commission must review new construction drawings prior to permit release in National Register Historic Districts.

MOTION: Approve the application with staff recommendation per passage of the consent agenda, on a motion by Commissioner Larosche. Commissioner Acton seconded the motion. Vote 8-0. The motion passed.

16. **HR-2026-118672 – 211 Academy Dr.**
Travis Heights-Fairview Park National Register Historic District
Council District 9
Proposal: Demolish a contributing building.

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Applicant: Paul Michals
City Staff: Austin Lukes, Historic Preservation Office, 512-978-0766
Staff Recommendation: Consider postponing the public hearing to November 4, 2026 and invite the applicant to the October 14, 2026 meeting of the Architectural Review Committee to discuss alternatives to demolition. Alternatively, encourage rehabilitation and adaptive reuse, relocation, or deconstruction and salvage over demolition, but approve the demolition permit application upon completion of a City of Austin Documentation Package. The Historic Landmark Commission must review new construction drawings prior to permit release in National Register Historic Districts.

MOTION: Close the public hearing on a motion by Commissioner Harris, seconded by Commissioner Acton. Vote 8-0. The motion passed.

MOTION: Reopen the public hearing on a motion by Commissioner Koch, seconded by Commissioner Grogan. Vote 8-0. The motion passed.

MOTION: Close the public hearing on a motion by Commissioner Harris, seconded by Commissioner Larosche. Vote 8-0. The motion passed.

MOTION: Approve the application upon completion of a City of Austin Documentation Package per staff recommendation, on a motion by Commissioner Larosche. Commissioner Acton seconded the motion. Vote 3-5. Chair Heimsath and Commissioners Harris, Koch, Grogan, and Alvarez opposed. The motion failed.

MOTION: Reopen the public hearing and postpone to the November 4, 2026 meeting, inviting the applicant to attend the October 14, 2026 meeting of the Architectural Review Committee on a motion by Chair Heimsath, seconded by Commissioner Grogan. Vote 6-1. Commissioner Larosche opposed. Commissioner Acton abstained. The motion passed.

17. **PR-2026-112460; HR-2026-118626 – 1410 Travis Heights Blvd.**
Travis Heights-Fairview Park National Register Historic District
Council District 9
Proposal: Construct a rear addition at a contributing building.
Applicant: Rodney Bennett, Laura Brennan
City Staff: Austin Lukes, Historic Preservation Office, 512-978-0766
Staff Recommendation: Comment on plans for the rear addition and release the application

MOTION: Approve the application with staff recommendation per passage of the consent agenda, on a motion by Commissioner Larosche. Commissioner Acton seconded the motion. Vote 8-0. The motion passed.

18. **PR-2026-113721 – 515 Leland St.**
Travis Heights-Fairview Park National Register Historic District
Council District 9

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Proposal: Demolish a contributing garage.
Applicant: Avril Dunleavy
City Staff: Austin Lukes, Historic Preservation Office, 512-978-0766
Staff Recommendation: Encourage rehabilitation and adaptive reuse, relocation, or deconstruction and salvage over demolition, but approve the demolition permit application upon completion of a City of Austin Documentation Package.

MOTION: Approve the application with staff recommendation per passage of the consent agenda, on a motion by Commissioner Larosche. Commissioner Acton seconded the motion. Vote 8-0. The motion passed.

Demolition and Relocation Permit Applications

19. PR-2026-040403 – 1808 E. Cesar Chavez St. – POSTPONED BY APPLICANT
Council District 3
Proposal: Demolish a ca. 1930 building. (Postponed by applicant on September 2, 2026)
Applicant: Karen Rodewald
City Staff: Austin Lukes, Historic Preservation Office, 512-978-0766
Staff Recommendation: Grant the applicant-requested postponement to the November 4, 2026 Historic Landmark Commission meeting.

MOTION: Postpone the public hearing to November 4, 2026 meeting per passage of the consent postponement agenda, on a motion by Commissioner Larosche. Commissioner Harris seconded the motion. Vote 8-0. The motion passed.

20. PR-2026-075085 – 1508 Canterbury St.
Council District 3
Proposal: Partially demolish and construct a second story addition with a roof deck.
Applicant: Krista Whitson
City Staff: Kalan Contreras, Historic Preservation Office, 512-974-2727
Staff Recommendation: Encourage a more compatible design, but approve the demolition permit application upon completion of a City of Austin Documentation Package.

MOTION: Approve the application with staff recommendation per passage of the consent agenda, on a motion by Commissioner Larosche. Commissioner Acton seconded the motion. Vote 8-0. The motion passed.

21. PR-2025-153753 – 908 W. Gibson St.
Council District 9
Proposal: Demolish a ca. 1940 building.
Applicant: Salomon Cohen
City Staff: Kalan Contreras, Historic Preservation Office, 512-974-2727
Staff Recommendation: Encourage rehabilitation and adaptive reuse, relocation, or deconstruction and salvage over demolition, but approve the demolition permit application upon completion of a City of Austin Documentation Package.

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MOTION: Approve the application with staff recommendation per passage of the consent agenda, on a motion by Commissioner Larosche. Commissioner Acton seconded the motion. Vote 8-0. The motion passed.

22. PR-2026-118055 – 1009 E. 13th St.
Council District 1
Proposal: Demolish a ca. 1938 building.
Applicant: Brita Wallace
City Staff: Kalan Contreras, Historic Preservation Office, 512-974-2727
Staff Recommendation: Encourage rehabilitation and adaptive reuse, relocation, or deconstruction and salvage over demolition, but approve the demolition permit application upon completion of a City of Austin Documentation Package.

MOTION: Approve the application with staff recommendation per passage of the consent agenda, on a motion by Commissioner Larosche. Commissioner Acton seconded the motion. Vote 8-0. The motion passed.

23. PR-2026-110851 – 2705 E. 2nd St.
Council District 3
Proposal: Demolish a ca. 1898 building.
Applicant: Luis Granillo
City Staff: Kalan Contreras, Historic Preservation Office, 512-974-2727
Staff Recommendation: Encourage rehabilitation and adaptive reuse, relocation, or deconstruction and salvage over demolition, but approve the demolition permit application upon completion of a City of Austin Documentation Package.

MOTION: Approve the application with staff recommendation per passage of the consent agenda, on a motion by Commissioner Larosche. Commissioner Acton seconded the motion. Vote 8-0. The motion passed.

24. PR-2026-113688 – 800 W. 34th St.
Council District 9
Proposal: Demolish a ca. 1975 office building.
Applicant: AAR Inc.
City Staff: Kalan Contreras, Historic Preservation Office, 512-974-2727
Staff Recommendation: Should the Commission find that either building meets the required integrity and significance thresholds, initiate historic zoning. Otherwise, encourage rehabilitation and adaptive reuse or deconstruction and salvage over demolition, but approve the demolition permit applications upon completion of City of Austin Documentation Packages for both buildings.

MOTION: Take items 24 and 25 together as they are related on a motion by Commissioner Harris, seconded by Commissioner Grogan. Vote 8-0. The motion passed.

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MOTION: Waive the rules and allow the Historic Landmark Commission to meet past 10pm on a motion by Commissioner Acton, seconded by Commissioner Grogan. Vote 7-1. Commissioner Larosche opposed. The motion passed.

MOTION: Close the public hearing on a motion by Commissioner Harris, seconded by Commissioner Acton. Vote 8-0. The motion passed.

MOTION: Reopen the public hearing and postpone to the November 4, 2026 meeting, inviting the applicant to attend the October 14, 2026 meeting of the Architectural Review Committee on a motion by Commissioner Acton, seconded by Commissioner Harris. Vote 8-0. The motion passed.

25. PR-2026-113706 – 801 W. 34th St.
Council District 9
Proposal: Demolish a ca. 1968 office building and skybridge.
Applicant: AAR Inc.
City Staff: Kalan Contreras, Historic Preservation Office, 512-974-2727
Staff Recommendation: Should the Commission find that either building meets the required integrity and significance thresholds, initiate historic zoning. Otherwise, encourage rehabilitation and adaptive reuse or deconstruction and salvage over demolition, but approve the demolition permit applications upon completion of City of Austin Documentation Packages for both buildings.

MOTION: Close the public hearing on a motion by Commissioner Harris, seconded by Commissioner Acton. Vote 8-0. The motion passed.

MOTION: Reopen the public hearing and postpone to the November 4, 2026 meeting, inviting the applicant to attend the October 14, 2026 meeting of the Architectural Review Committee on a motion by Commissioner Acton, seconded by Commissioner Harris. Vote 8-0. The motion passed.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

26. Conduct officer election for Vice Chair.

MOTION: Nominate Commissioner Harris to the position of Vice-Chair of the Historic Landmark Commission on a motion by Chair Heimsath. Vote: 8-0. The motion passed.

27. Vote to approve the 2027 regular meeting schedule of the Historic Landmark Commission and Architectural Review Committee.

MOTION: Approve the schedule per passage of the consent agenda, on a motion by Commissioner Larosche. Commissioner Acton seconded the motion. Vote 8-0. The motion passed.

COMMITTEE UPDATES

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28. Update from the Architectural Review Committee regarding the September 10, 2026 meeting.
Members: Commissioners Koch, Alvarez, and Grogan.
Commissioner Koch presented an update on the Architectural Review Committee.

29. Update from the Preservation Plan Committee regarding the September 24, 2026 meeting.
Members: Commissioners Larosche and Pleasant-Wright.
Commissioner Larosche presented an update on the Preservation Plan Committee.

30. Update from Commissioner Taniguchi regarding the September 16, 2026 Downtown Commission meeting.
No update was given.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Request for a briefing on the Barton Springs Bridge by Staff. Sponsored by Chair Heimsath and Commissioner Larosche.

ADJOURNMENT: 10:27PM

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