



Historic Preservation Commission

Arthur A. Mendonsa Hearing Room - 112 East State Street
August 24, 2022 1:30 PM
MINUTES

SUB-COMMITTEE Meeting - August 24, 2022: Historic Preservation Commission

No testimony was heard nor votes were taken regarding any petition during this meeting.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Rebecca Fenwick, Chair
Mae Bowley
Darren Bagley-Heath
Robin Williams

STAFF PRESENT: Leah G. Michalak, Director of Historic Preservation
Bri Morgan, Administrative Assistant
Julie Yawn, Systems Analyst

I. CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME

II. SIGN POSTING

III. CONSENT AGENDA

IV. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

[1. Adopt the August 24, 2022 HPC Sub-Committee Agenda](#)

Motion

The Historic Preservation Commission motioned to adopt the August 24, 2022 agenda as presented.

Vote Results (Approved)

Motion: Robin Williams

Second: Mae Bowley

Rebecca Fenwick	- Abstain
Virginia Mobley	- Not Present
Robin Williams	- Aye
Darren Bagley-Heath	- Aye
Jeff Notrica	- Not Present
Mae Bowley	- Aye
Kiersten Connor	- Not Present

Kathy S. Ledvina	- Not Present
Brian Arcudi	- Not Present

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

2. Approval of July 27, 2022 HPC Sub-Committee Meeting Minutes

[07.27.22 SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES.pdf](#)

Motion

The Historic Preservation Commission motioned to approve July 27, 2022 HPC Sub-Committed meeting minutes.

Vote Results (Approved)

Motion: Darren Bagley-Heath

Second: Mae Bowley

Rebecca Fenwick	- Aye
Virginia Mobley	- Not Present
Robin Williams	- Aye
Darren Bagley-Heath	- Aye
Jeff Notrica	- Not Present
Mae Bowley	- Aye
Kiersten Connor	- Not Present
Kathy S. Ledvina	- Not Present
Brian Arcudi	- Not Present

VI. ITEM(S) REQUESTED TO BE REMOVED FROM THE FINAL AGENDA

VII. CONTINUED AGENDA

VIII. REQUEST FOR EXTENSION

IX. REGULAR AGENDA

X. APPROVED STAFF REVIEWS

XI. NOTICES, PROCLAMATIONS, AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

XII. OTHER BUSINESS

3. Deconstruction

Ms. Michalak stated all items for Sub-Committee discussions will be located under "Other Business." Since there are no Staff reviews, discussion items will not be under "Regular Business."

Ms. Fenwick asked do we need follow up after the meetings? Or, prior to closing the meeting, review and all take detailed notes.

Mr. Williams asked what is our mandate? Is this a rolling committee or specific topics?

Ms. Fenwick responded we are to close out topics and add to list. Some items are longer than others to resolve; some ongoing.

Mr. Bagley-Heath asked how does eco-friendly allow for preservation; where is line drawn? Important to have preservation, but some houses are ecological disasters.

Ms. Fenwick asked how does this align with the larger HPC?

Mr. Williams stated some issues affect Downtown Historic District.

Ms. Michalak stated everything discussed in HPC Sub is presented to HDBR, as these issues affect the Ordinance and HDBR does not have a sub-committee.

There was discussion about the benefits of solar panels, double pane windows and how to present this information to the public.

DECONSTRUCTION:

Ms. Michalak presented Ms. Bowley's presentation of suggested Ordinance modifications regarding demolition to include deconstruction. The purpose is to introduce the option of deconstruction rather than just demolition.

Ms. Bowley created a definition for deconstruction: "The careful disassembly of a structure with the goal of retaining as much material as possible for reuse. Deconstruction can describe full removal of a building, as well as partial removal of structural and/or non-structural building elements commonly known as 'architectural salvage'."

There was discussion of modifying and creating brochures with cross references for the public. The committee agreed to work on definitions for demolition and relocation and discuss again.

4. Legacy Homeowner Ordinance Provision

Discussed suggestions from last meeting regarding public notice.

5. Discuss Potential Future Sub-Committee Meeting(s)

Ms. Fenwick stated she would like to continue the meetings, as there are other items she would like to add as discussion beyond the current items on the agenda.

Homework: Group will work on deconstruction definitions, to include demolition and relocation. Ms. Bowley will edit the current sustainability handout and compose a deconstruction handout. Review in future and pair with ordinance change.

Legacy homeowners will stay on agenda; Ms. Fenwick will have meeting with City of Atlanta representative.

Education will be a separate line item: doorhangers or other methods of public outreach.

6. Discuss DNA recommended changes to stucco text amendment

Ms. Michalak stated this was presented to the City, who requested neighborhood meetings. The Downtown Neighborhood Association stated they are in full support of the change. They suggested this change: "one part stucco except when applied over architectural details or ornamentation."

The committee suggested: "***Exterior plaster applied as a traditional two- or three-part coating directly on***

the masonry, architectural details and/or ornamentation."

Motion

The Historic Preservation Sub-Committee motioned to approve proposed changes and present to HPC Board.

Vote Results (Approved)

Motion: Mae Bowley

Second: Robin Williams

Rebecca Fenwick - Abstain

Virginia Mobley - Not Present

Robin Williams - Aye

Darren Bagley-Heath - Aye

Jeff Notrica - Not Present

Mae Bowley - Aye

Kiersten Connor - Not Present

Kathy S. Ledvina - Not Present

Brian Arcudi - Not Present

XV. ADJOURNMENT

[7. Adjourn](#)

There being no further business to discuss, the August 204, 2022 Historic Preservation Commission Sub-Committee adjourned at 2:32 p.m.

Motion

Adjourn.

Vote Results (Not Started)

Motion: Darren Bagley-Heath

Second: Mae Bowley

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