Minutes of the Houston Planning Commission

(An audio/video tape of the full proceedings is on file in the Planning and Development Department)

August 02, 2007
Meeting to be held in
Council Chambers, Public Level, City Hall Annex
2:30 p.m.

Call to order:

Vice Chair, Mark A. Kilkenny, called the meeting to order at 2:49 p.m. with a quorum present.

Carol Abel Lewis, Chair

Absent

Mark A. Kilkenny, Vice Chair

John W. H. Chiang

David Collins

Kay Crooker

Algenita Scott-Davis

Absent

Sonny Garza

Jim Jard

Absent

D. Fred Martinez

Absent

Robin Reed

Richard A. Rice

Jeff Ross

Lee Schlanger

Talmadge Sharp, Sr.

Absent

Jon N. Strange

Shaukat Zakaria

The Honorable Ed Emmett

Absent

Mark J. Mooney for:

The Honorable Ed Chance

The Honorable Grady Prestage

Absent

EXOFFICIO MEMBERS

M. Marvin Katz

Absent

John Sakolosky for:

Mike Marcotte

Dawn Ullrich

Absent

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

NONE

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The Director's report was given by Marlene L. Gafrick, Director, Planning and Development Department.

APPROVE THE JULY 5 AND 19, 2007 PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

Commission action: Deferred the July 5 and 19, 2007 Planning Commission Meeting Minutes for two weeks.

Motion: Collins

Second: Garza

Vote: Unanimous

Abstaining: None

I. PRESENTATION ON PUBLIC WORKS AND ENGINEERING DRAFTING OF TRAFFIC IMPACT ANALYSIS AND ACCESS MANAGEMENT GUIDELINES – UPDATE Report was given by Raymond Chong, Deputy Director, Public Works and Engineering Traffic Division.

II. PUBLIC HEARING AND CONSIDERATION OF THE HISTORIC DISTRICT DESIGNATION APPLICATION FOR THE AVONDALE WEST HISTORIC DISTRICT INITIATED BY THE PROPERTY OWNERS

Staff recommendation: Accept the recommendation of the Houston Archaeological and Historical Commission and recommend to the Houston City Council the Historic District Designation of the Avondale W. Historic District.

Commission action: Accepted the recommendation of the Houston Archaeological and Historical Commission and recommended to the Houston City Council the Historic District Designation of the Avondale W. Historic District. The Chair opened and closed the public hearing after the speakers.

Motion: Crooker Second: Chiang Vote: Unanimous Abstaining: None Speakers for Item II: Council Member Peter Brown, Courtney Tardy, Lynn Edmundson, Greg LeGrande, Jason Carson and Tim Womble.

II. PUBLIC HEARING AND CONSIDERATION OF LANDMARK AND PROTECTED LANDMARK DESIGNATION APPLICATIONS INITIATED BY THE OWNER:

- a. J. Vance Lewis House at 1218 Wilson Street
- b. Rev. Ned P. Pullman House at 1319 Andrews Street

Staff recommendation: Accept the recommendation of the Houston Archaeological and Historical Commission and recommend to the Houston City Council the Landmark and Protected Landmark Designation of the J. Vance Lewis House at 1218 Wilson and the Reverend Ned P. Pullum House at 1319 Andrews Street.

Commission action: Accepted the recommendation of the Houston Archaeological and Historical Commission and recommended to the Houston City Council the Landmark and Protected Landmark Designation of the J. Vance Lewis House at 1218 Wilson and the Reverend Ned P. Pullum House at 1319 Andrews Street. The Chair opened and closed the public hearing after the speaker.

Motion: Crooker Second: Collins Vote: Unanimous Abstaining: None Speaker for Item IV: Catherine Roberts.

IV. PUBLIC HEARING AND CONSIDERATION OF PROTECTED LANDMARK DESIGNATION APPLICATION FOR THE RUTHERFORD B. H. YATES SR. HOUSE AT 1314 ANDREWS STREET INITIATED BY THE OWNER (PREVIOUSLY DESIGNATED AS A LANDMARK)

Staff recommendation: Accept the recommendation of the Houston Archaeological and Historical Commission and recommend to the Houston City Council the Protected Landmark Designation of the Rutherford B. H. Yates Sr. House at 1314 Andrews Street, a Landmark of the City of Houston. Commission action: Accepted the recommendation of the Houston Archaeological and Historical Commission and recommended to the Houston City Council the Protected Landmark Designation of the Rutherford B. H. Yates Sr. House at 1314 Andrews Street, a Landmark of the City of Houston. The Chair opened and closed the public hearing after the speaker.

Motion: Crooker Second: Collins Vote: Unanimous Abstaining: None Speaker for Item IV: Catherine Roberts.

V. CONSIDERATION OF A PARKING VARIANCE FOR THE RICE UNIVERSITY STUDENT HOUSING PROJECT LOCATED AT 2402 – 2504 SHAKESPEARE STREET

Staff recommendation: No recommendation.

Commission action: Deferred the parking variance for two weeks to allow Rice University to enter into a contract with the City of Houston if possible.

Motion: Ross Second: Crooker Vote: Carries Opposed: Garza

and Zakaria

Speakers for Item V: Donald Clayton, Courtney Tardy, Tony Halat and Kevin Kirby.

Item 150 was taken out of order and presented at this time.

Women's Home Sec. 1

C3N

Defer

Staff recommendation: Defer the plat for two weeks to allow the applicant time to provide revised information and for Legal to review the separately filed deed restrictions.

Commission action: Deferred the plat for two weeks to allow the applicant time to provide revised information and for Legal to review the separately filed deed restrictions.

Motion: Ross

Second: Crooker

Vote: Unanimous

Abstaining: None

Speaker for Item 150: Al Allen.

Items VI and VII were taken together at this time.

- VI. PUBLIC HEARING AND CONSIDERATION OF A SPECIAL BUILDING LINE REQUIREMENT AREA APPLICATION FO RTHE 1900 BLOCK OF HAROLD STREET, NORTH SIDE, BETWEEN MCDUFFIE AND HAZARD STREETS
- VII. PUBLIC HEARING AND CONSIDERATION OF A SPECIAL MINIMUM LOT SIZE AREA APPLICATION FOR THE 1900 BLOCK OF HAROLD STREET, NORTH AND SOUTH SIDES, BETWEEN MCDUFFIE AND HAZARD STREETS

Staff recommendation: Approve the special building line requirement area application for the 1900 block of Harold Street, North side, between McDuffie and Hazard Streets and the special minimum lot size area application for the 1900 block of Harold Street, North and South sides, between McDuffie and Hazard Streets and forward the applications to City Council for approval.

Commission action: Approved the special building line requirement area application for the 1900 block of Harold Street, North side, between McDuffie and Hazard Streets and the special minimum lot size area application for the 1900 block of Harold Street, North and South sides, between McDuffie and Hazard Streets and forwarded the applications to City Council for approval.

Motion: Crooker Sec

Second: Garza

Vote: Unanimous

Abstaining: None

Speakers for Items VI and VII: Jeff Grant, Hardy Loe, and Brian Ammons.

VIII. PUBLIC HEARING AND CONSIDERATION OF A SPECIAL MINIMUM LOT SIZE AREA APPLICATION FOR THE 800 BLOCK OF WAVERLY, WEST SIDE, BETWEEN $8^{\rm TH}$ AND $9^{\rm TH}$ STREETS

Staff recommendation: No recommendation.

Commission action: Approved the special minimum lot size area application for the 800 block of Waverly, West Side, between 8th and 9th Streets and forwarded the application to City Council for approval.

Motion: Crooker

Crooker Second: Garza

Vote: Carries

Opposed: Reed,

Rice, Ross, Schlanger and Zakaria.

Speakers for Item VIII: Clint Sepolio, Bill Davenport, Janice Evans-Davis, Rudy Sepolio, Laura Rowey and Kenneth Schneider.

PLATTING ACTIVITY (Consent items A and B, 1-137) X.

Items removed for separate consideration: 45, 56, 60, 61, 67, 84, 87, 88 and 95. Item 105 was recommended for approval.

Staff recommendation: Approve staff's recommendations for items 1-137, subject to the 101 form

Commission action: Approved staff's recommendations for items 1-137, subject to the 101 form conditions.

Motion: Collins

Second: Ross

Vote: Unanimous

Abstaining:

Kilkenny on Item 84.

Commissioner Schlanger abstained and left the room.

Staff recommendation: Approve staff's recommendation for item 60 subject to the 101 form conditions.

Commission action: Approved staff's recommendation for item 60 subject to the 101 form conditions.

Motion: Zakaria

Second: Rice

Vote: Unanimous

Abstaining: None

Commissioner Schlanger returned.

Commissioners Chiang and Ross abstained and left the room.

Staff recommendation: Approve staff's recommendation for items 45, 56, 61, 67, 87, 88 and 95, subject to the 101 form conditions.

Commission action: Approved staff's recommendation for items 45, 56, 61, 67, 87, 88 and 95, subject to the 101 form conditions.

Motion: Zakaria

Second: Rice

Vote: Unanimous

Abstaining: None

Commissioners Chiang and Ross returned.

C **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

Augusta Meadows Apartments

C3N

Defer

Staff recommendation: Defer the plat for two weeks to allow time for the applicant to meet with the neighborhood.

Commission action: Deferred the plat for two weeks to allow time for the applicant to meet with the neighborhood.

Motion: Collins

Second: Schlanger

Vote: Unanimous

Abstaining: None

Bercons Schuler Street Addition Subdivision C3N

Approve

Staff recommendation: Deny the requested variance and approve the plat subject to the 101 form conditions.

Commission action: Denied the requested variance and approved the plat subject to the 101 form conditions.

Motion: Reed

Second: Crooker

Vote: Unanimous

140 **Dominion Park Partial Replat No. 1** C3N

Approve

Staff recommendation: Approve the plat subject to the 101 form conditions. Commission action: Approved the plat subject to the 101 form conditions.

Motion: Reed

Second: Chiang

Vote: Unanimous

Abstaining: None

141 Fountains at Peerless Street Replat No. 1

C₃N

Approve

Staff recommendation: Approve the plat subject to the 101 form conditions. Commission action: Approved the plat subject to the 101 form conditions.

Motion: Reed

Second: Garza

Vote: Unanimous

Abstaining: None

142 **Mody Plaza Subdivision**

C3N

Withdrawn

Defer

143 **Monforte Place Subdivision**

C₃N

Staff recommendation: Defer the plat for two weeks at the applicant's request. Commission action: Deferred the plat for two weeks at the applicant's request.

Motion: Collins

Second: Schlanger

Vote: Unanimous

Abstaining: None

144 Museum Walk Replat No. 1 C₃N

Approve

Staff recommendation: Approve the plat subject to the 101 form conditions. Commission action: Approved the plat subject to the 101 form conditions.

Motion: Reed

Second: Crooker

Vote: Unanimous

Abstaining: None

Speaker for Item 144: Craig Hannalt.

145 On Point Commons Sec. 2

C3N

Disapprove

Staff recommendation: Disapprove the plat because the replat did not comply with the notification requirements and the applicant failed to provide proof of the sign on the site by the required date. Commission action: Disapproved the plat because the replat did not comply with the notification requirements and the applicant failed to provide proof of the sign on the site by the required date.

Motion: Crooker Second: Collins

Vote: Unanimous

Abstaining: None

146 Park at Clearview Amending Plat No. 1 Partial Replat No. 1

C₃N

Defer

Staff recommendation: Defer the plat for two weeks to allow the applicant time to provide revised information and legal review of the separately filed deed restrictions.

Commission action: Deferred the plat for two weeks to allow the applicant time to provide revised information and legal review of the separately filed deed restrictions.

Motion: Reed

Second: Schlanger

Vote: Unanimous

Abstaining: None

Item 171, a Development Plat Variance, was taken at this time with Item 147.

147 **Regent Square Subdivision**

C3N

Defer

171 **Regent Square** DPV

Defer

Staff recommendation: Defer the requested variances and the plats for two weeks for further study and legal review of the separately filed deed restrictions.

Commission action: Deferred the requested variances and the plats for two weeks for further study and legal review of the separately filed deed restrictions.

Motion: Ross

Second: Reed

Vote: Unanimous

Abstaining: None

148 **Vassar Manors Subdivision**

C3N

Disapprove

Staff recommendation: Deny the requested variance and disapprove the plat because the applicant did not provide a site plan and adequate information in a timely manner.

Commission action: Denied the requested variance and disapproved the plat because the applicant did not provide a site plan and adequate information in a timely manner.

Motion: Collins

Second: Zakaria

Vote: Unanimous

Abstaining: None

Speaker for Item 148: Courtney Jagneaux.

Vineyard Meadow Streets Subdivision

C₃N

Defer

Staff recommendation: Defer the plat for two weeks to allow time for the applicant to provide additional information.

Commission action: Deferred the plat for two weeks to allow time for the applicant to provide additional information.

Motion: Reed

Second: Chiana

Vote: Unanimous

Abstaining: None

Woodhead Live Oak Subdivision

C3N

Disapprove

Staff recommendation: Disapprove the plat because the replat did not comply with the notification requirements and the applicant failed to provide proof of the sign on the site by the required date. Commission action: Disapproved the plat because the replat did not comply with the notification requirements and the applicant failed to provide proof of the sign on the site by the required date.

Motion: Crooker Second: Garza Vote: Unanimous

Abstaining: None

Speaker for Item 151: John Paul Cook.

D VARIANCES

Casa Di Modena Subdivision

C2R

Staff recommendation: Defer the requested variance and the plat for two weeks to allow the applicant time to coordinate with Public Works and Engineering for the proposed entrance along Webster Street and to provide a landscape plan, a detailed site plan and elevations to clarify garage treatment.

Commission action: Deferred the requested variance and the plat for two weeks to allow the applicant time to coordinate with Public Works and Engineering for the proposed entrance along Webster Street and to provide a landscape plan, a detailed site plan and elevations to clarify garage treatments.

Motion: Collins

Second: Crooker

Vote: Unanimous

153 CCD Design Eight Limited Replat No. 1 C3R

Approve

Staff recommendation: Grant the requested variance and approve the plat subject to the 101 form conditions.

Commission action: Granted the requested variance and approved the plat subject to the 101 form conditions.

Motion: Crooker Second: Reed

Vote: Unanimous

Abstaining: None

Costa Vizcaya GP

GP Approve

Staff recommendation: Grant the requested variance and approve the general plan subject to Unrestricted Reserves A and B platted as one unrestricted reserve to avoid Reserve B being land locked and approve the plat subject to the 101 form conditions.

Commission action: Granted the requested variance and approved the general plan subject to Unrestricted Reserves A and B platted as one unrestricted reserve to avoid Reserve B being land locked and approved the plat subject to the 101 form conditions.

Motion: Jard

Second: Ross

Vote: Unanimous

Abstaining: None

155 Fifteen Thousand and Two Kuykendahl Storage Subdivision

C2

Defer

Staff recommendation: Defer the requested variance and the plat for two weeks to allow time for the applicant to coordinate with Harris County and adjoining property owner for the proposed street alignment and provide revised information.

Commission action: Deferred the requested variance and the plat for two weeks to allow time for the applicant to coordinate with Harris County and adjoining property owner for the proposed street alignment and provide revised information.

Motion: Collins

Second: Ross

Vote: Unanimous

Abstaining: None

Harris County MUD No. 500 Water Plant No. 1

C2 Approve

Staff recommendation: Grant the requested variance and approve the plat subject to the 101 form

Commission action: Granted the requested variance and approved the plat subject to the 101 form conditions.

Motion: Ross

Second: Zakaria

Vote: Unanimous

Abstaining: None

Huntington Commercial Subdivision

C2R

Approve

Staff recommendation: Grant the requested variance and approve the plat subject to the 101 form conditions.

Commission action: Granted the requested variance and approved the plat subject to the 101 form conditions.

Motion: Zakaria

Second: Strange

Vote: Carries

Abstaining: Ross

Speaker for Item 157: Brad Winkler.

158 Hwy 90 Industrial Park GP

GP

Approve

Staff recommendation: Grant the requested variance and approve the general plan and approve the plat subject to the 101 form conditions.

Commission action: Granted the requested variance and approved the general plan and approved the plat subject to the 101 form conditions.

Motion: Rice

Second: Strange

Vote: Unanimous

Abstaining: None

159 **Jakes Subdivision**

C2R

Approve

Staff recommendation: Grant the requested variance and approve the plat subject to the 101 form conditions.

Commission action: Granted the requested variance and approved the plat subject to the 101 form conditions.

Motion: Collins

Second: Ross

Vote: Unanimous

Abstaining: None

160 Kluge Lake Sec. 1

C₃P **Approve** Staff recommendation: Grant the requested variances to exceed intersection spacing along the south eastern site boundary subject to dedicating a 60' wide public street as shown in the exhibit provided by the applicant and a 10' dedication for widening along Kluge Road, as coordinated with Harris County and approve the plat subject to the 101 form conditions.

Commission action: Granted the requested variances to exceed intersection spacing along the south eastern site boundary subject to dedicating a 60' wide public street as shown in the exhibit provided by the applicant and a 10' dedication for widening along Kluge Road, as coordinated with Harris County and approved the plat subject to the 101 form conditions.

Motion: Ross

Second: Rice

Vote: Unanimous

Abstaining: None

Speaker for Item 160: J. Kent Marsh.

161 Louisiana Hadley Crossing Subdivision

C2R

Withdrawn

Maplewood South Sec. 6 Partial Replat No. 1

C2R

Staff recommendation: Grant the requested dual-building line variance for the proposed construction and approve the plat subject to the 101 form conditions.

Commission action: Granted the requested dual-building line variance for the proposed construction and approved the plat subject to the 101 form conditions.

Motion: Collins

Second: Chiang

Vote: Carries

Opposed: Crooker

Providence Grand Parkway Subdivision

C2R

Defer

Staff recommendation: Defer the requested variance and the plat for two weeks to allow time for the applicant to provide revised information.

Commission action: Deferred the requested variance and the plat for two weeks to allow time for the applicant to provide revised information.

Motion: Ross

Second: Schlanger

Vote: Carries

Abstaining: Collins

164 **Royas Lofts Subdivision**

C2R

Approve

Staff recommendation: Grant the requested variance subject to the applicant obtaining, prior to recordation, the Planning Director's approval of site, landscape, and building elevation plans, and the representations made in the variance request regarding enhancements to be provided and approve the plat subject to the 101 form conditions.

Commission action: Granted the requested variance subject to the applicant obtaining, prior to recordation, the Planning Director's approval of site, landscape, and building elevation plans, and the representations made in the variance request regarding enhancements to be provided and approved the plat subject to the 101 form conditions.

Motion: Strange

Second: Rice

Vote: Unanimous

Abstaining: None

Speaker for Item 164: Patrick Ezziell

165 **Seventy Five Fifteen Cook Road Apartment**

C3R

Withdrawn

166 **Treeline North Estates Subdivision**

C₃P

Defer

Staff recommendation: Defer the plat for two weeks for further study and review and to coordinate with Harris County Engineers Office.

Commission action: Deferred the plat for two weeks for further study and review and to coordinate with Harris County Engineers Office.

Motion: Ross

Second: Schlanger

Vote: Unanimous

Abstaining: None

Waterstone Detention Sec. 2

C2

Defer

Staff recommendation: Defer the requested variance and the plat for two weeks to allow time for staff to coordinate with Harris County Engineers Office.

Commission action: Deferred the requested variance and the plat for two weeks to allow time for staff to coordinate with Harris County Engineers Office.

Motion: Collins

Second: Zakaria

Vote: Unanimous

Abstaining: None

168 Westlake MUD No. 1 Wastewater **Treatment Plant Subdivision**

C2R

Approve

Staff recommendation: Deny the requested variance and approve the plat subject to the right of way dedication along the North West corner of the plat and the 101 form conditions.

Commission action: Denied the requested variance and approved the plat subject to the right of way dedication along the North West corner of the plat and the 101 form conditions.

Motion: Strange

Second: Rice

Vote: Unanimous

Abstaining: None

Willowbend Boulevard Extension to 169 **Buffalo Speedway STD**

SP

Approve

Staff recommendation: Grant the requested variance and approve the plat subject to the 101 form conditions.

Commission action: Granted the requested variance and approved the plat subject to the 101 form conditions.

Motion: Ross

Second: Crooker

Vote: Unanimous

E SPECIAL EXCEPTIONS

170 Cinco Ranch Southwest Sec. 15

C₃P

Approve

Staff recommendation: Grant the requested special exception and approve the plat subject to the 101 form conditions.

Commission action: Granted the requested special exception and approved the plat subject to the 101 form conditions.

Motion: Rice

Se

Second: Chiang

Vote: Unanimous

Abstaining: None

F RECONSIDERATION OF REQUIREMENTS

NONE

G ADMINISTRATIVE

NONE

H DEVELOPMENT PLAT VARIANCES

Item 171 was taken with Item 147.

I CERTIFICATES OF COMPLIANCE

172 Dianett Solis

COC

Approve

Staff recommendation: Issue the Certificate of Compliance for item 172. Commission action: Issued the Certificate of Compliance for item 172.

Motion: Reed

Second: Garza

Vote: Unanimous

J **EXTENSIONS OF APPROVAL AND NAME CHANGES**

Commissioner Chiang abstained on Item 178 and Commissioner Ross abstained on Items 176 and 179.

173	Antoine Northwest Sec. 1	EOA	Approve
174	Cypresswood Boulevard Street Extension	EOA	Approve
175	Fuqua Landing Sec. 2	EOA	Approve
176	Hidden Meadow Sec. 6	EOA	Approve
177	Highland Glen Sec. 2	EOA	Approve
178	Lakes of Parkway Sec. 20	EOA	Approve
179	Park At Meadowhill Run Sec. 2	EOA	Approve
180	Pine Trace Village Sec. 3	EOA	Approve
181	Pine Trace Village Sec. 4	EOA	Approve
182	Plantation Lakes Sec. 12	EOA	Approve
183	Railwood Sec. 10	EOA	Approve
184	Railwood Sec. 12	EOA	Approve
185	Redstone Bend Drive Extension No. 2 STD	EOA	Approve
186	Rio Ranch Sec. 1	EOA	Approve
187	Singh Brothers Center Subdivision	EOA	Approve
188	South Meadow Place Sec. 1	EOA	Approve
189	Villages of Cypress Lakes Sec. 16	EOA	Approve
190	Cypresswood Drive Street Extension	NC	Approve
(Formerly Cypresswood Boulevard Street Extension)			
191	Chero Hall Subdivision	NC	Approve
	(Formerly Chero Hall Replat No. 1)		
Staff recommendation: Approve staff's recommendations for items 173-191.			

Commission action: Approved staff's recommendations for items 173-191.

Motion: Strange Second: Collins Vote: **Unanimous**

and Ross

ESTABLISH A PUBLIC HEARING DATE OF AUGUST 30, 2007 FOR: X.

- a. Escamilla Subdivision
- b. Gibson Grove Subdivision
- c. Mendoza Plaza Subdivision
- d. Park Gardens Subdivision
- e. Sunset Heights Place Sec. 2 Replat No. 1

Staff recommendation: Establish a public hearing date of August 30, 2007 for items X a-e. Commission action: Established a public hearing date of August 30, 2007 for items X a-e.

Motion: Ross Second: Reed Vote: Unanimous Abstaining: None

Abstaining: Chiang

IV. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

NONE

V. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Vice Chair, Mark A. Kilkenny adjourned the meeting at 6:00 p.m.

Mark A. Kilkenny, Vice Chair

Marlene L. Gafrick, Secretary