



HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION MEETING
Thorman Conference Room, 801 Texas – Basement and Virtually
May 28, 2026
3:00 P.M.

MINUTES

The Historic Landmark Commission met at the above place and date.

The meeting was called to order at 3:01 p.m. Commission Chair Harder present and presiding and the following Commissioners answered roll call.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Kelly Blough
Isaac Harder
Luis "Sito" Negron
Alex Ruiz
Mario Silva

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:

Kim McGlone
Cynthia Renteria
Stephanie Gardea
Kirk Clifton

HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE:

Providencia Velázquez, Historic Preservation Officer
Fredo Alejandro, Building Plans Examiner
Russell Abeln, Senior Assistant City Attorney

AGENDA

Providencia Velázquez, Historic Preservation Officer, read the *Statement from the Historic Preservation Office* into the record.

ACTION: No action was taken.

AYES: N/A

NAYS: N/A

ABSTAIN: N/A

ABSENT: N/A

NOT PRESENT FOR THE VOTE: N/A

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I. CALL TO THE PUBLIC – PUBLIC COMMENT

This time is reserved for members of the public who would like to address the Historic Landmark Commission on any items that are not on the Historic Landmark Commission agenda and that are within the jurisdiction of the Historic Landmark Commission. No action shall be taken.

A sign-up form is available at the Thorman Conference Room for those who wish to sign up on the day of the meeting. Requests to speak must be received by 3:00 p.m. on the date of the meeting. A total time of three minutes may be allowed for each speaker. The Public Comment portion shall not exceed thirty (30) minutes, unless otherwise approved by the Historic Landmark Commission.

NONE

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I. REGULAR AGENDA – DISCUSSION AND ACTION

Certificate of Appropriateness

1. **PHAP26-00021:** 124 Government Hill W 107.67 Ft Of (32 & 33) (6280.3911 Sq Ft), City of El Paso, El Paso County, Texas
Location: 1700 Raynolds Street
Historic District: Austin Terrace
Property Owner: Andrea Read
Representative: Best Iron Works
Representative District: 2
Existing Zoning: R-4/H (Residential/Historic)
Year Built: 1938
Historic Status: Contributing
Request: Certificate of Appropriateness for construction of a carport
Application Filed: 4/16/26
45 Day Expiration: 5/31/26

Presentation made by Ms. Velázquez to the Commission.

George Murillo, representative from Best Iron Works, was present to answer questions from the Commission.

ACTION: Motion made by Commissioner Harder, seconded by Commissioner Silva, to **APPROVE AS PER STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS** and unanimously carried.

Motion passed.
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2. **PHAP26-00023** 24 Sunset Heights 17 & E 1/2 Of 18, City of El Paso, El Paso County, Texas
Location: 805 Upson Drive
Historic District: Sunset Heights
Property Owner: Nancy Reynolds
Representative: Mark Casavantes
Representative District: 8
Existing Zoning: R-4/H (Residential/Historic)
Year Built: 1930

Historic Status: Contributing
Request: Certificate of Appropriateness for infill of the parkway after-the-fact and installation of concrete in front yard
Application Filed: 4/16/26
45 Day Expiration: 5/31/26

Presentation made by Ms. Velázquez to the Commission.

Mark Casavantes, representative, was present to answer questions from the Commission. Nick Markentel, representative from Bomanite Concrete, was also present to answer questions from the Commission.

ACTION: Motion made by Commissioner Harder, seconded by Commissioner Silva, to **APPROVE AS PER STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS** and unanimously carried.

Motion passed.

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3. PHAP26-00019 8 Sunset Heights N 120 Ft Of 34 & N 120 Ft of W 1/2 of 33
(4500 Sq Ft), City of El Paso, El Paso County, Texas
Location: 506 W. Yandell Drive
Historic District: Sunset Heights
Property Owner: Laura Gabriela Hernandez Sierra
Representative: Laura Gabriela Hernandez Sierra
Representative District: 8
Existing Zoning: A-3/H (Apartments/Historic)
Year Built: 1904
Historic Status: Contributing
Request: Reconsideration of an approved Certificate of Appropriateness for installation of a metal roof
Orig. Application Filed: 4/2/26
Orig. 45 Day Expiration: 5/17/26

Presentation made by Ms. Velázquez to the Commission.

Laura Hernandez was present to answer questions from the Commission.

ACTION: Motion made by Commissioner Negrón, seconded by Commissioner Ruiz to **UPHOLD THE ORIGINAL APPROVAL AND ASK THE PROPERTY OWNER TO INSTALL METAL ROOF IN COLOR TO BE APPROVED ADMINISTRATIVELY BY HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER.**

AYES: Luis "Sito" Negrón, Kelly Blough, Alex Ruiz, Isaac Harder
NAYS: Mario Silva
ABSTAIN: N/A
ABSENT: Cynthia Renteria, Kim McGlone, Kirk Clifton
NOT PRESENT FOR THE VOTE: N/A

Motion passed.

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4. **PHAP26-00024:** 29 Sunset Heights 13 & W 1/2 Of 12, City of El Paso, El Paso County, Texas
Location: 809 Mundy Drive
Historic District: Sunset Heights
Property Owner: Robbie and Jennifer Rosales
Representative: Robbie and Jennifer Rosales
Representative District: 8
Existing Zoning: R-5/H (Residential/Historic)
Year Built: 1925
Historic Status: Contributing
Request: Certificate of Appropriateness for construction of a dormer after-the-fact
Application Filed: 5/7/26
45 Day Expiration: 6/21/26

Presentation made by Ms. Velázquez to the Commission.

Owner was not present to answer questions from the Commission.

ACTION: Motion made by Commissioner Harder, seconded by Commissioner Silva to **TABLE ITEM TO NEXT MEETING FOR APPLICANT TO BE PRESENT** and unanimously carried.

Motion passed.

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5. **PHAP26-00025:** 18 Sunset Heights E 1/2 Of 1 To 5 (9535 Sq Ft), City of El Paso, El Paso County, Texas
Location: 901 W. Yandell Drive
Historic District: Sunset Heights
Property Owner: Ernest and Alicia Armstrong
Representative: Ernest and Alicia Armstrong
Representative District: 8
Existing Zoning: R-4/H (Residential/Historic)
Year Built: 1900
Historic Status: Contributing
Request: Certificate of Appropriateness for covering rock walls with stucco
Application Filed: 5/7/26
45 Day Expiration: 6/21/26

Presentation made by Ms. Velázquez to the Commission.

Nick Markentel, representative from Bomanite Concrete, was present to answer questions from the Commission.

ACTION: Motion made by Commissioner Harder, seconded by Commissioner Silva to **TABLE ITEM TO NEXT MEETING** and unanimously carried.

Motion passed.

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10. Addresses of property HLC Commissioners have requested that HLC staff review or investigate and provide a report to the HLC.

THERE WERE NO ADDRESSES NOR PROPERTIES THAT THE HLC MEMBERS WOULD LIKE TO REQUEST FOR AGENDA ITEMS TO BE SCHEDULED AT THE JUNE 11, 2026 MEETING.

II. Consent Agenda

- a. Discussion and action on Regular meeting minutes for May 7, 2026.
- b. HLC Staff Report - Update on Administrative Review Cases since last HLC meeting for the properties listed on the attachment posted with this agenda.
(See Attachment "A.")

ACTION: Motion made by Commissioner Harder, seconded by Commissioner Silva to **APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA** and carried.

Motion passed.

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III. Adjournment of the Historic Landmark Commission's Meeting.

ADJOURNMENT:

ACTION: Motion made by Commissioner Harder, seconded by Commissioner Silva and unanimously carried to **ADJOURN**.

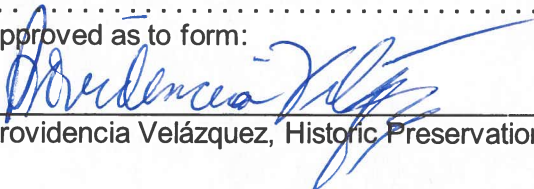
Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 4:11 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Historic Landmark Commission may retire into Executive Session pursuant to Section 3.5A of the El Paso City Charter and the Texas Government Code, Section 551.071-551.076 to discuss any item on this agenda.

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Approved as to form:



Providencia Velázquez, Historic Preservation Officer

