



HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION MINUTES

Date: Tuesday, January 11, 2022
Time: 9:00 AM
Location: Old City Hall, Tampa City Council Chambers, 3rd Floor,
315 E. Kennedy Boulevard, Tampa, FL 33602

Call to Order: Chair Vivian Salaga called meeting to order at 9:04 a.m.

Silent Roll Call and Introductions: Elaine Lund

Commissioners Present:

Dominique Cobb, KerryAnn Kanch, Dr. Thomas Pluckhahn, Vivian Salaga, and Susan Swift.

Commissioners Arriving After Roll Call:

Commissioners Absent: Patricia Ortiz and Mary Schukraft

Staff Present: Dennis Fernandez, Elaine Lund and Aminta Owen

Legal Staff: Camaria Pettis-Mackle

Commissioners introduced themselves and their position on the Board.

Reading of Minutes of September 21, 2021: Chair Salaga stated that the minutes stand as written.

Announcements: Dennis Fernandez, Architectural Review & Historic Preservation Manager

- The 2022 HPC calendar is in your packets and has been sent electronically for planning purposes.
- The Fort Brooke Parking Garage has a new parking ticket system. Please use the tickets provided to pay for your parking fees.

Conflict of Interests/ Ex Parte Communication: Camaria Pettis-Mackle, Assistant City Attorney
Camaria Pettis-Mackle asked the Commissioners if there were any ex parte communications regarding the items that are on the agenda today. Hearing none, for the record. Ms. Pettis-Mackle asked the Commissioners if there were any conflicts of interest for the record based on the items that are on the agenda. Hearing none, for the record.

Swear-In: Aminta Owen swore in all owners, applicants, interested parties, and witnesses within City Council Chambers.

Local Historic Landmark Designation – Stovall House

HPC 2021-05 - Stovall House, 4621 Bayshore Boulevard

Elaine Lund – Historic Preservation Specialist

Ms. Lund provided a PowerPoint presentation on the Stovall House, built c.1909, its significant not only as a fine example of Neoclassical architecture, but as the home of Wallace F. Stovall. The house was built c.1909 by Logan T. and Florence M. Trousdale. In 1915, the Trousdale's sold their home to Wallace F. Stovall, the founder and long-time publisher of *The Tampa Tribune*.

The Stovall House is one of the few fine residences of prominent Tampan that survives along the city's prestigious Bayshore Drive. Originally the choice location for Tampa's grandest homes, only a few of these buildings remain to dot the shore of Hillsborough Bay, most having been replaced by contemporary homes and condominium high-rise buildings.

The Stovall House is a large and Neoclassical style structure of wood frame construction, clad in brick. The house is T-shaped in plan. Shingles cover the hipped roof, which rests atop a corbelled cornice. Fenestration consists of 15 over one light double hung wood windows. The beveled glass front door is flanked by pilasters and sidelights.

A Neoclassical portico serves as the main entrance on the east façade. The portico extends the full two stories of the building and is characterized by colossal paired Ionic columns and pilasters supporting the entablature and pediment. An oculus accents the pediment. The original design included a one story full-width porch, or veranda, passing behind the two-story portico, featuring a low balustrade with Ionic columns, a full cornice, and a roofline balustrade. At the north and south corners of the house, the veranda swung out in a circular fashion.

A 1981 renovation removed several components of the veranda, which is now accented with urn-shaped balusters. However, the full height portico remained as a defining characteristic of the Neoclassical style. A door in the second story of the portico leads to a small balcony. Other alterations to the structure included updating the kitchen, adding bathrooms, and upgrading the mechanical, electrical, and plumbing systems. The Porte cochere was remodeled with a hipped roof. Landscaping alterations included the introduction of a pond and gazebo in the front yard.

- The Stovall House was listed in the National Register of Historic Places in 1974. The building was constructed and achieved its significance during the period of historic significance of as established in the nomination pursuant to those guidelines.
- The house is significant for its association Wallace F. Stovall, the founder and long-time publisher of the Tampa Tribune. Stovall resided in this house for 30 years, and it is the best representation of Stovall's life and contributions to the City of Tampa.
- The Stovall House was designed by prominent Tampa architect Francis J. Kennard in the Neoclassical style. Despite alterations, it remains an excellent example of its style.

Therefore, the Stovall House is significant in the area of Communications under National Register Criterion B and in the area of Architecture under National Register Criterion C. The owner submitted the application for local historic landmark designation of his property, thereby indicating its support for the designation. Staff finds that the property meets the criteria for designation found in Section 27-257(a) (1-2) and (c) of the City of Tampa Code of Ordinances and recommends the Stovall House for Local Historic Landmark designation.

Public Comment: Tyler Hudson and Sol Fleishman

Commissioner Salaga asked if there were any comments or discussion from the Commissioners.

Motion: Dr. Thomas Pluckhahn

Second: KerryAnn Kanch

Move to recommend City Council **approve HPC 2021-05**, for the property located at **4621 Bayshore Boulevard** for the proposed Local Historic Landmark Designation:

Based on meeting the criteria in Section 27-257(a)(2):

- ii. That are associated with the lives of persons significant in our past (otherwise known as criterion "B" of the National Register criteria);
- iii. That embody the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction, or that represent the work of a master, or that possess high artistic values, or that represent a significant and distinguishable entity whose components may lack individual distinction (otherwise known as criterion "C" of the National Register criteria); or

The motion was approved by a vote of 5-0-0.

HPC 2021-04 – Local Hyde Park District Proposed Expansion

Dennis Fernandez – Architectural Review & Historic Preservation Manager

Presented a PowerPoint presentation on the proposed boundary expansion of the local Hyde Park Historic District.

The Hyde Park Spanishtown Creek Civic Association and the Historic Hyde Park Neighborhood Association, Inc. submitted applications for the expansion of the northern boundary of the local Hyde Park Historic District into the National Register-listed Hyde Park Historic District. Staff has been in discussion with both neighborhood associations and has met with the members to update them on our survey and research efforts and discuss what it means to be in a local historic district.

The Hyde Park Historic District was listed in the National Register of Historic Places in 1985. The Hyde Park Historic District was locally designated by Tampa City Council in 1988. The original survey of the proposed expansion area, or study area, was conducted in the early 1980s. Staff conducted a survey to update this data, verifying which historic resources currently contribute or do not contribute to the character of the Hyde Park Historic District, and presented a map showing the areas where the remaining historic structures are most highly concentrated.

Staff recommends that the HPC proceed with a public hearing to consider the proposed expansion of the boundaries of the locally designated Hyde Park Historic District and make a recommendation regarding the proposed expansion to City Council, in accordance with the procedure established in Section 27-256 and the criteria listed in Section 27-257.

Commissioner Salaga asked for public comment. Seeing none, closed the hearing and opened the floor to Commissioner discussion.

Motion: Susan Swift

Second: Dr. Thomas Pluckhahn

Move that the area in green shown on the map is the preferred area for moving forward with advertising for a public hearing for the expansion of the Hyde Park Historic District and to set a hearing on April 12, 2022, at 5:30 p.m.

The motion was approved by a vote of 5-0-0.

Motion: Susan Swift

Second: Dr. Thomas Pluckhahn

Move to amend the previous motion, to change the date of the public hearing from April 12, 2022, at 5:30 p.m. to a date be determined by staff in April at 5:30 p.m.

The motion was approved by a vote of 5-0-0.

New Business:

None

Date and Time of Next HPC Meeting:

March 15, 2022, 9:00 a.m.

Adjournment:

10:20 a.m.

Approved: _____ Date: _____

Vivian Salaga – Chair