

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING
COMMISSION ON CHICAGO LANDMARKS
February 9, 2023**

The Commission on Chicago Landmarks held its regularly scheduled meeting on February 9, 2023. The meeting was held virtually and simulcast to the general public via livestreaming. The meeting began at 12:47 p.m.

VIRTUALLY PRESENT:

Gabriel Dziekiewicz, Vice-Chair
Suellen Burns
Alicia Ponce
Adam Rubin
Richard Tolliver

ABSENT:

Ernest Wong, Chairman
Maurice Cox, Secretary, Commissioner of the Department of Planning &
Development
Jonathan Fair
Tiara Hughes

ALSO VIRTUALLY PRESENT:

Dijana Cuvalo, Architect IV, Department of Planning and Development
Members of the Public

A digital recording of this meeting is on file at the Historic Preservation Division offices of the Department of Planning and Development and is part of the public record of the regular meeting of the Commission on Chicago Landmarks.

Vice-Chair Dziekiewicz called the meeting to order. He stated that in 2020 Governor Pritzker had signed Public Act 101-0640 making certain amendments to the Open Meetings Act so that the Commission was able to host virtual meetings during the COVID-19 public health emergency provided that certain conditions were met. One of those conditions was that he, as Vice-Chair of the Commission on Chicago Landmarks, determined that an in-person meeting of the Commission on Chicago Landmarks was not practical or prudent. Vice-Chair Dziekiewicz then made the determination – pursuant to Section 7(e)(2) of the Open Meetings Act – that an in-person meeting of the Commission on Chicago Landmarks was not practical or prudent. Vice-Chair Dziekiewicz also made a determination pursuant to Section 7(e)(5) that, because of the disaster as declared by the Governor, it was unfeasible for at least one member of the Commission or its chief administrative office to be physically present at the meeting place (inasmuch as there was no physical meeting place).

Vice-Chair Dziekiewicz then explained the emergency rules issued February 18, 2022, governing the conduct of remote public Commission meetings and provisions for remote public participation. In line with the emergency rules, members of the public were encouraged to submit written comments which were posted on the Commission’s website. Statements by the general public for all agenda items would be heard at the beginning of the meeting and those wishing to comment were asked to use the “raise hand” function. Vice-Chair Dziekiewicz then

called on those individuals to give their testimony before the commencement of the hearing on the agenda items as outlined in the emergency rules.

Maurice Cox, Secretary, Commissioner of the Department of Planning & Development, joined the meeting.

1. Approval of the Minutes of Previous Meeting

Regular Meeting of January 12, 2023

Motioned by Tolliver, seconded by Cox. Approved 6-0.

2. Report from the Department of Planning and Development

**NETSCH HOUSE
1700 North Hudson Avenue**

WARD 43

Commissioner Cox presented the DPD report. Resolution to accept the Report from the Department of Planning and Development for the Netsch House.

Motioned by Rubin, seconded by Burns. Approved unanimously (6-0).

3. Report from the Department of Planning and Development

**PROMONTORY POINT
East of S. Jean-Baptiste Pointe DuSable Lake Shore Drive, Between 54th and 56th
Streets**

WARD 5

Commissioner Cox presented the DPD report. Resolution to accept the Report from the Department of Planning and Development for Promontory Point.

Motioned by Tolliver, seconded by Ponce. Approved unanimously (6-0).

4. Final Landmark Recommendation

**GREATER UNION BAPTIST CHURCH
1956 West Warren Boulevard**

WARD 27

Matt Crawford presented the report. Resolution to adopt the final landmark recommendation for the Greater Union Baptist Church.

Motioned by Burns, seconded by Cox. Approved unanimously (6-0).

5. Program Committee Report

Recommendation to the Illinois Historic Sites Advisory Council on Nomination to the National Register of Historic Places

**LARAMIE STATE BANK BUILDING
WARD 37
5200 West Chicago Avenue**

Report on Suggestions Received from the Public for Possible Chicago Landmark Designations (Deadline for submissions was January 17, 2023)

Richard Tolliver presented the report. Vote to approve the recommendation to the Illinois Historic Sites Advisory Council on the one nomination to the National Register of Historic Places.

Motioned by Ponce, seconded by Rubin. Approved unanimously (6-0).

6. Permit Review Committee Reports

Report on Projects Reviewed at the January 12, 2023, Permit Review Committee Meeting

Dijana Cuvalo presented the report from the Permit Review Committee meeting of January 12, 2023 (see attached).

Report on Permit Decisions by the Commission Staff for the Month of January 2023

Emily Barton presented the staff report for the month of January 2023 (see attached).

7. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:53 p.m.

Motioned by Tolliver, seconded by Burns. Approved unanimously (6-0).

Maurice D. Cox, Secretary