



CITY OF PITTSBURGH
Historic Review Commission

Meeting Minutes of March 4, 2026

In Attendance	
Commissioner Aguirre	Commissioner Green
Commissioner Mongalo-Winston	Commissioner Loysen
Not Present	
Commissioner Hill	
Commissioner Snipe	
City Staff Present	
Sharon Spooner	Katie Reed
Kevin Kunak	Maria Cadena

Historic Review Commission

A. Call to Order

Hearing and Action portion of the meeting called to order at 2:33 p.m. by Chair Aguirre

B. Approval of Commission Minutes

Date: February 2026

Commissioners Questions: None

Motion: Approval of minutes

Moved by: Commissioner Green

Seconded by: Commissioner Loysen

In favor: Commissioner Green, Commissioner Loysen, Commissioner Aguirre

Abstained: Commissioner Mongalo-Winston

Opposed: None

CARRIED

Approval of Certificates of Appropriateness

Date: February, 2026

Commissioners Questions: None

Motion: Approval of Certificates of Appropriateness

Moved by: Commissioner Green

Seconded by: Commissioner Loysen

In favor: Commissioner Green, Commissioner Mongalo-Winston, Commissioner Loysen, Commissioner Aguirre

Abstained: None

Opposed: None

CARRIED

C. **Correspondence for items not before the HRC at this time**

DCP-ZDR-2025-00274 – Saint Joseph’s Church - 1250 Liverpool Street

- Department of Permits, Licenses & Inspections – order to demolish 1250 Liverpool Street

Letter per § 1101.09 (b) Exceptions to the Effects of Designation

If the Allegheny County Health Department or the [Department of Permits, Licenses, and Inspections] has ordered work on or the demolition of a Historic Structure or a structure located within a Historic District, or a Historic Site or a Historic Object, the Historic Review Commission shall be notified of the proposed work or demolition. If the Historic Review Commission disagrees with the plan of either agency, the Commission shall have the right to delay the proposal ninety (90) days by submitting a delay request. During the delay period, the Commission may develop alternative plans for consideration. If after ninety (90) days no such alternative plans can be developed, the proposed work or demolition may proceed as ordered.

- Chloe Pages
- Julie Kaigler
- Erika Beras
- Linda Hansen, Manchester Historic Society President
- Andrew Moore, Manchester Historic Society Board Member
- Matthew Craig – Young Preservations Association

Saint George’s Catholic Church, Allentown Neighborhood

- Tyler Abbot, President of the Allentown Community Development Corporation

Chair Aguirre recognized Commissioner Green Director of PLI to share the main information regarding their determination and letter that was received - 1250 Liverpool Street.

Chair Aguirre called to hear public testimony regarding this property.

- Danielle Lewis McLaren spoke and submitted a document to the commission which was included as correspondence.
- Roberta Bowra
- Stanley Andrew Lowe
- Melissa McSwigan with Preservation Pittsburgh
- Sabrina Woods Miller
- Matthew Craig, Executive Director for the Young Preservationists Association
- Julie Kaigler

Chair Aguirre shared some of the main comments from the letters received for today's correspondence . Commission and staff discussion

Motion: motion to request that 90-day delay request with a condition that PLI consider communication about what would be needed from the owner to keep it safe in the meantime, and that there be an application as soon as possible to continue the process formally, and an interim briefing on the status of the development proposal.

Moved by: Commissioner Mongalo-Winston

Seconded by: Commissioner Loysen

In favor: Commissioner Mongalo-Winston, Commissioner Loysen, Commissioner Aguirre

Abstained: Commissioner Green

Opposed: None
CARRIED

D. Hearing & Action Certificates of Appropriateness

- 1. BDA-2025-12059** - 108 N. Dithridge Street, Oakland Civic Center, North Oakland Neighborhood, Building alterations and construction of new rear garage
Staff: Ms Spooner, DCP Staff – recommended motion – Approval of accessible ramp and gate replacement with conditions: that any final drawings and specifications will be reviewed by staff for final approval.
Applicant: Mr Arron Dornsmith – presentation.
Public Comment: None.
Commission and staff discussion.
Motion: Approval of accessible ramp and gate with conditions: applicant to provide final um drawings and specifications to staff.
Moved by: Commissioner Loysen
Seconded by: Commissioner Green
In favor: Commissioner Green, Commissioner Mongalo-Winston, Commissioner Loysen
Abstained: Commissioner Aguirre
Opposed: None
CARRIED
- 2. BDA-2025-10535** - 933 Liberty Avenue, Penn- Liberty Historic District, Downtown Neighborhood, Window replacement
Staff: Ms Spooner, DCP Staff – recommended motion – approval of the application for front and rear window replacement with the following condition: any additional measurements, specifications, and other required information for the front facade windows shall be submitted to staff. It's recommended that the staff provided window replacement guide is used, which was provided in the staff reports, andthat should be submitted prior to the certificate of appropriateness being issued.
Applicant: Mr John DeRunk, – presentation.
Public Comment: Matt Eaker, Facilities Coordinator, Planned Parenthood. Rich Osbourne, VinylMax Windows. Kara Bouchet, co-interim President and CEO of Planned Parenthood.
Commission and staff discussion.
Motion: Approve
Moved by: Commissioner Mongalo-Winston
Seconded by: Commissioner Green
In favor: Commissioner Green, Commissioner Mongalo-Winston, Commissioner Loysen, Commissioner Aguirre
Abstained: None
Opposed: None
CARRIED
- 3. Historic District Guidelines** - Hierarchy of Façades Mapping for East Carson Street
Staff: Ms Reed, DCP Staff.
Public Comment: None
Commission and staff discussion.
Motion: Approve Hierarchy of Façades Mapping for East Carson Street as presented
Moved by: Commissioner Green

Seconded by: Commissioner Loysen

In favor: Commissioner Green, Commissioner Mongalo-Winston, Commissioner Loysen,
Commissioner Aguirre

Abstained: None

Opposed: None

CARRIED

E. Director's Report

Ms Mongalo-Winston will be continuing the Comprehensive Plan work which will lay out how and where Pittsburgh grows over the next 25 years through the engagement process that's going to engage as broad a constituency as possible.

F. Adjournment

The Historic Review Commission hearing and action concluded at 3:19 PM.