



CITY OF PITTSBURGH
Historic Review Commission

Meeting Minutes of August 5, 2026

In Attendance

Commissioner Catherine Blauvelt - Secretary
Commissioner Helen Cestra
Commissioner Luna Fruensgaard - Chair

Commissioner Martha Isler
Commissioner Yvette Mongalo-Winston

Not Present

Commissioner David Green
Commissioner K Chase Patterson

City Staff Present

Sharon Spooner
Kevin Kunak
Katie Reed
Maria Cadena
Mary Grace Collins

Historic Review Commission

A. Call to Order and Roll Call

Meeting called to order at 1:00 PM by Chair Fruensgaard.

B. Approval of Commission Minutes

Date: July 1, 2026.

Motion: Approval

- Moved by: Isler
- Seconded by: Cestra
- In favor: Blauvelt, Cestra, Fruensgaard, Isler, Mongalo-Winston
- Abstained: None
- Opposed: None

CARRIED

C. Approval of Certificates of Appropriateness Report

Date: July 2026.

Motion: Approval

- Moved by: Blauvelt
- Seconded by: Isler
- In favor: Blauvelt, Cestra, Fruensgaard, Isler, Mongalo-Winston
- Abstained: None
- Opposed: None

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D. Correspondence

None

E. Public Comment

None

F. Hearing & Action Certificates of Appropriateness

1. BDA-2025-12497 - 1005 Sheffield Street

Manchester Historic District

Manchester Neighborhood

Proposal to remediate after-the-fact facade alterations

Recommended motion:

Approval of the proposal to remediate the after-act facade alterations with the following conditions. Vinyl windows must be removed and replaced with wood windows as proposed to fit the existing openings, including half- round fixed windows to be restored above the square top windows in the second-floor arched openings and no additional brick or masonry may be painted.

Public Comment: None

Motion: Approval

- Moved by: Isler
- Seconded by: Mongalo-Winston
- In favor: Blauvelt, Cestra, Fruensgaard, Isler, Mongalo-Winston
- Abstained: None
- Opposed: None

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2. BDA-2026-04087 - 1529 Sedgwick Street

Manchester Historic District

Manchester Neighborhood

Replacement of 23 windows

Recommended motion:

Approval of the rear window replacement, with dimensions and profiles to match existing windows, including the center mullions. Front and side windows with curved or arched tops shall be repaired or selectively replaced with profiles to match the existing. All trim and brickmold is to be retained and repaired as needed.

Public Comment: None

Motion: Approval

- Moved by: Fruensgaard
- Seconded by: Cestra
- In favor: Blauvelt, Cestra, Fruensgaard, Isler, Mongalo-Winston
- Abstained: None
- Opposed: None

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3. BDA-2026-05038 - 1707 E Carson Street

East Carson Historic District

South Side Neighborhood

Facade renovation

Recommended motion:

Approval of the proposed facade alterations with the condition that any changes to presented materials or design will be reviewed by staff, and if deemed significant, may require additional review by the HRC.

Public Comment: None

Motion: Approval

- Moved by: Fruensgaard
- Seconded by: Cestra
- In favor: Blauvelt, Cestra, Fruensgaard, Isler, Mongalo-Winston
- Abstained: None
- Opposed: None

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G. Director's Report

None

H. Adjournment

The Historic Review Commission hearing and action concluded at (1:52) and the court reporter was dismissed.

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