

# Alexandria Historical Restoration and Preservation Commission

## MINUTES

Wednesday, Jan. 15, 2025

8:00 a.m

Lloyd House

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In Attendance: Susan Horne, Nigel Mease, Joe McCoy, Mary Lou Egan, Ricardo Navarro, Nancy Perkins, David Rossell, Richard Klingenstein

Excused:

Unexcused: Troy Lyons

City Staff: Dan Lee, staff, Office of Historic Alexandria  
Susan Hellman, staff, Planning and Zoning

Guests:

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1. Call to Order – Chairwoman Horne called the meeting to order at 8:01 am,
2. Consideration and Approval of Minutes of Dec. 11 meeting–
  - a. Minutes were approved unanimously.
3. HARC Report-  
New HARC chair-Chris Brownlowe  
HAF's fundraising success
4. Planning and Zoning Report
  - a. At the 12/14/2024 City Council public hearing, City Council upheld the BAR decision to deny window changes at 201 Gibbon Street.
  - b. The Preservation Architect, Bill Conkey, is working closely with General Services and the project architects on the restoration/renovation of City Hall and Market Square. They held a workshop in City Hall on Monday, Jan 13. Once the concept is further along, it will go to the BAR.
  - c. Development projects that will begin this year include 78 condo units at 805 N. Columbus. This will eventually incorporate the development at 802-808 N. Washington, where the historic house was moved to become part of the new building. Another is at 1101 King, where 200 units plus retail will be developed (this is currently an office building).
  - d. Projects with affordable housing Samuel Madden (899 N. Henry) and Heritage (900 Wolfe) will also break ground this year.
  - e. Tonight the BAR will hear 10 cases, plus a concept review for 802/808 N. Washington, and updates to the Design Guidelines: awnings/canopies and signs. Zoning staff is working on updating the signs ordinance in general. These new BAR guidelines will comply with the new ordinance.

6. Old Business-

- a. Review of Easement Inspections-Letter to 218 S. Lee and 420 S. Lee
- b. Update on Control of Funds-Meeting with Kathy Townsend/Set up another meeting with City Finance Director
- c. Follow up on variances granted

8. New Business

- a. Goals for 2025:
    - i. Get clarity on Commission's purview
    - ii. Outreach needs to be paused until house is in order
9. Set date of next meeting February 12 at Lloyd House at 8 a.m.
10. Adjournment at 9:06 a.m.