



**BOSTON LANDMARKS COMMISSION
PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES**

Boston City Hall, Boston, MA, 02201
held virtually via Zoom

MAY 27, 2025

I. DESIGN REVIEW SUBCOMMITTEE 4:00 PM - CANCELLED

II. BOSTON LANDMARKS COMMISSION BUSINESS HEARING 6:00 PM

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: *Celina Barrios-Millner, David Berarducci, John Freeman, Jeffrey Gonyeau, Christopher Hart, Jeffrey Heyne, Kirsten Hoffman, Felicia Jacques, Justine Orlando (Vice-Chair), Fadi Samaha, Brad Walker (Chair), Angela Ward-Hyatt.*

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: *John Amodeo, Senam Kumahia, Lindsey Mac-Jones.*

STAFF PRESENT: *Staff Architect, Chelsea Blanchard; Director of Design Review, Joseph Cornish; Director of the Office of Historic Preservation, Kathy Kottaridis; and Deputy Director of the Office of Historic Preservation, Elizabeth Sherva.*

6:05 PM: Commissioner Walker called the public hearing to order. He explained that, pursuant to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Executive Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, that the public hearing was being conducted virtually via the online meeting platform Zoom in order to review Design Review applications. He also briefly explained how to participate in the online hearing. Member of the press Allison Pultinas from the Fenway News made herself known.

The Chair announced that the Commission would next review the Ratification of Meeting Minutes.

III. RATIFICATION OF MEETING MINUTES

Review and ratification of public hearing minutes from May 13, 2025.

COMMISSIONER ORLANDO MOTIONED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES.

COMMISSIONER SAMAHA SECONDED THE MOTION. THE VOTE WAS 9-0-0 (Y: DB, JF, JG, CH, KH, JO, FS, BW, AWH) (N: NONE) (ABS: NONE).



The Chair announced that the Commission would next review Administrative Review/Approval applications.

IV. ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW/APPROVAL

25.0881 BLC - CHRISTIAN SCIENCE CHURCH COMPLEX, 250

MASSACHUSETTS AVENUE- At plaza: Replace three diseased Linden trees.

25.0855 BLC - OLD NORTH CHURCH, 193 SALEM STREET - Installation of security cameras at exterior elevations of buildings.

25.0848 BLC - OLD SOUTH MEETING HOUSE, 310 WASHINGTON STREET - At exterior: Restore corner lamp on the Washington Street/Milk Street corner of Old South Meeting House.

25.0849 BLC - OLD SOUTH MEETING HOUSE, 310 WASHINGTON STREET - At interior: Replace existing 1990s pendant lights with Monterey Hanging Lanterns

25.0857 MHT - 15 WIGGLESWORTH STREET - At garden level: dig window well around the center bay window, build a retainer wall using red brick or cinder blocks, enlarge central casement window height but maintain identical width, and install a new casement window.

COMMISSIONER BERADUCCI MOTIONED TO APPROVE THE ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW ITEMS. COMMISSIONER ORLANDO SECONDED THE MOTION. THE VOTE WAS 9-0-0 (Y: CBM, DB, JF, JG, KH, FJ, JO, FS, BW) (N: NONE) (ABS: NONE).

The Chair announced that the Commission would next review the Advisory Review.

V. ADVISORY REVIEW

ADDRESS: BOSTON CITY HALL

Applicant: City of Boston

Proposed Work: Proposed alterations to the fourth floor terrace, including changes to central skylight and gridded skylights. Proposed alterations to existing ramps and staircases at the fourth floor terrace. Proposed alterations to south plaza, including ramps and staircases.

PROJECT REPRESENTATIVES:

Sasaki Architects - Mauricio Gomez



Commissioner of Property Management for the City of Boston - Eamon Shelton

DOCUMENTS PRESENTED: Documents presented included existing condition photographs, existing and proposed site and floor plans, proposed rendering images, and skylight details.

DISCUSSION TOPICS: Discussion topics included an overview of the existing conditions, accessibility requirements, an overview of the current drainage system and locations of current water damage, an overview of the proposed work to repair existing leaks and water, the proposed work to modify existing ramps to meet accessibility requirements, the existing and proposed materials for skylight, the height of the existing skylights, and the ceiling height differences between the existing fourth floor terrace and South plaza, details regarding the height and material of handrails for the proposed ramps, proposed lighting details for the fourth floor terrace, the proposed material and alternative materials for the vertical wall infills, and the visual impact of the proposed work from the interior.

PUBLIC COMMENT: There were no public comments.

VI. STAFF UPDATES

Elizabeth Sherva, Deputy Director of the Office of Historic Preservation, stated the next BLC Business Hearing will take place at 6:00 PM, on June 10, 2025. She requested if commissioners are unable to attend hearings during the summer to let her know as soon as possible.

VII. ADJOURN – 7:30PM

**COMMISSIONER GONYEAU MOTIONED TO ADJOURN THE HEARING.
COMMISSIONER SAMAHA SECONDED THE MOTION. A VOICE VOTE WAS CALLED
AND ALL COMMISSIONERS PRESENT VOTED IN FAVOR.**