

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING  
COMMISSION ON CHICAGO LANDMARKS  
April 4, 2024**

The Commission on Chicago Landmarks held its regularly scheduled meeting on April 4, 2024. The meeting was held at City Hall, 121 North LaSalle Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, City Council Chambers, Chicago, Illinois. The meeting began at 12:45 p.m.

PRESENT: Ernest Wong, Chairman  
Gabriel Dziekiewicz, Vice-Chair  
Ciere Boatright, Secretary, Commissioner of the Department of Planning & Development  
Suellen Burns  
Jonathan Fair  
Tiara Hughes  
Alicia Ponce  
Richard Tolliver

ABSENT: Adam Rubin

ALSO PRESENT:  
Dijana Cuvalo, Architect IV, Department of Planning and Development  
Members of the Public  
(The list of those in attendance is on file at the Commission office.)

A video 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.

Chairman Wong called the meeting to order.

**1. Approval of the Minutes of Previous Meeting**

**Regular Meeting of March 7, 2024**

**Motioned by Burns, seconded by Dziekiewicz. Approved unanimously (7-0).**

**2. Final Landmark Recommendation**

**HYDE PARK UNION CHURCH  
5600 South Woodlawn Avenue**

**WARD 5**

Tiara Hughes joined the meeting.

Kandalyn Hahn presented the report. Resolution to adopt the final landmark recommendation for Hyde Park Union Church.

**Motioned by Dziekiewicz, seconded by Boatright. Approved 8-0.**

**3. Report from the Department of Planning and Development**

**RAMOVA THEATER**  
**3508-3518 South Halsted Street**

**WARD 11**

Commissioner Boatright presented the report. Resolution to accept the Report from the Department of Planning and Development for the Ramova Theater.

**Motioned by Hughes, seconded by Fair. Approved unanimously (8-0).**

**4. Citywide Adopt-a-Landmark Fund - Application**

**S.R. CROWN HALL**  
**3360 South State Street**

**WARD 3**

Daniel Klaiber presented the report. Resolution to approve a Citywide Adopt-a-Landmark Fund grant for the S.R. Crown Hall.

**Motioned by Burns, seconded by Ponce. Approved unanimously (8-0).**

**5. Citywide Adopt-a-Landmark Fund – Informational for Completed Project**

**UPTOWN SQUARE DISTRICT**  
**1215 West Gunnison Street / 4840 North Broadway**

**WARD 46**

Daniel Klaiber presented the report.

**6. Permit Review Committee Reports**

**Report on Projects Reviewed at the March 7, 2024, Permit Review Committee Meeting**

Gabriel Dziekiewicz presented the report from the Permit Review Committee meeting of March 7, 2024 (see attached).

**Report on Permit Decisions by the Commission Staff for the Month of March 2024**

Emily Barton presented the staff report for the month of March 2024 (see attached).

**7. Announcement**

Chairman Wong announced that the Department of Planning and Development's Chicago 2024 Preservation Expo would be held:

Date: Saturday, May 18, 2024  
Time: 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.  
Keynote address: 12:00 p.m.  
Location: Northwestern Pritzker School of Law  
375 East Chicago Avenue  
Thorne Auditorium

Advance registration is required. To register and find additional information:  
<https://www.chicago.gov/city/en/sites/preservation-month/home.html>.

**8. Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:37 p.m.

**Motioned by Hughes, seconded by Tolliver. Approved unanimously (8-0).**

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Ciere Boatright, Secretary

# MEETING MINUTES

## PERMIT REVIEW COMMITTEE COMMISSION ON CHICAGO LANDMARKS

The Permit Review Committee (PRC) met on April 4, 2024, at 1:47 p.m. The meeting was held in City Hall, 121 N. LaSalle St., City Council Chambers

Present: Gabriel Dziekiewicz, Chair  
Jonathan Fair  
Tiara Hughes  
Alicia Ponce

Staff: Dijana Cuvalo  
Emily Barton  
Tyler Taylor  
Joyce Ramos

The following projects were reviewed by the PRC:

- 1. 5700 S. Jean-Baptiste Pointe DuSable Lake Shore Drive** **5th Ward**  
**Museum of Science and Industry**  
Proposed replacement of existing exterior signage at west underground garage entry with new 5'-10" x 28' precast concrete panel due to change of name.

**Action:** Approved unanimously (4-0) with the following condition:

1. The sign is approved as proposed in drawings dated 9/28/23. As proposed, finish of new sign to match existing garage.

- 2. 1734 N. Wells** **43rd Ward**  
**Old Town Triangle District**  
Proposed modifications to existing rooftop decks constructed without a permit in the 1980s including replacement of railings.

**Action:** The Committee found that the decks, including the proposed modifications, are visible from the public rights-of-way, do not meet the criteria set forth in the Commission's Rules and Regulations, the Commission's Guidelines for Alterations to Historic Buildings and New Construction, and Standards 9 and 10 of the U.S. Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation of Historic Buildings. Therefore, the proposal would have an adverse effect on the significant historical and

architectural features of the landmark building and the district and should be eliminated.

The Committee further advised that in the event the Historic Preservation staff receive a permit application for the project as currently proposed, staff shall issue a preliminary disapproval of the application. A preliminary disapproval of the application would trigger an informal conference and, if the informal conference does not reach an accord, a public hearing on the permit application would be scheduled in accordance with the provisions of the Chicago Landmarks Ordinance.

Should the owner wish to revise their plans to further minimize visibility, they may work with staff to develop drawings and schedule a physical mockup for evaluation. Any visible deck or railings would require re-review by the Permit Review Committee.