



**BOSTON LANDMARKS COMMISSION  
PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES**

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

**JANUARY 13, 2026**

APPROVED BY COMMISSION  
January 27, 2026

**I. BOSTON LANDMARKS COMMISSION BUSINESS HEARING 6:00 PM**

**COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:** *Celina Barrios-Millner, John Freeman, Jeffrey Gonyeau, Jeffrey Heyne, Kirsten Hoffman, Felicia Jacques, Senam Kumahia, Lindsey Mac-Jones, Justine Orlando (Vice-Chair), Brad Walker (Chair), Angela Ward-Hyatt.*

**COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:** *John Amodeo, Christopher Hart, Fadi Samaha*

**STAFF PRESENT:** *Jennifer Gaugler; Director of the Office of Historic Preservation, Kathy Kottaridis; and Deputy Director of the Office of Historic Preservation, Elizabeth Sherva.*

**6:00 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. There were no members of the press present.

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

**II. HEARING MINUTES**

Review and ratification of Public Hearing Minutes from December 9, 2025 meeting.

**COMMISSIONER ORLANDO MOVED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES. COMMISSIONER HEYNE SECONDED THE MOTION. THE VOTE WAS 7-0-2 (Y:FJ, JF, JO, BW, LMJ, CBM, KH) (N: NONE) (ABS: SK, JG).**

Following this brief introduction Commissioner announced that the Commission would next review petitions, study reports, and designation.

**III. PETITIONS, STUDY REPORTS, & DESIGNATIONS**



**# 278.21 - ENOCH BALDWIN HOUSE, 58 RIVER STREET (MATTAPAN)**

Vote on Discontinuance.

**DOCUMENTS PRESENTED:** Presentation of Enoch Baldwin house history, historic photographs, during construction photographs, post rehabilitation photographs.

**DISCUSSION TOPICS:** No study report was ever written, due to loss of integrity staff recommends discontinuance. If voted to discontinue the building cannot be re-petitioned for Landmark status.

**COMMISSIONER COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS:** Commissioner Jacques inquired about when the petition was accepted and when the rehabilitation occurred. Staff presented information on the timeline of Article 85, landmark petition, and building permit for the structure. Commissioner Gonyeau concerned with a number of 18th century houses in the general area of the Enoch Baldwin house that are at risk for loss due to larger lots that can be subdivided with more density added.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** N/A

**COMMISSIONER KUMAHIA MOVED TO DISCONTINUE THE PETITION.  
COMMISSIONER JACQUES SECONDED THE MOTION. THE VOTE WAS 9-0-0 (Y: FJ,  
JF, JO, SK, BW, LMJ, JG, AWH, JH ) (N: NONE) (ABS: NONE).**

**IV. STAFF UPDATES**

Elizabeth Sherva, Deputy Director of the Office of Historic Preservation, announced that the next Design Review Hearing will take place at 4:00 PM, and the next BLC Business Meeting will take place at 6:00 PM on Tuesday, January 27, 2026.

**V. ADJOURN – 6:25 PM**

**COMMISSIONER HEYNE MOTIONED TO ADJOURN THE HEARING. COMMISSIONER HOFFMAN SECONDED THE MOTION. A VOICE VOTE WAS CALLED AND ALL COMMISSIONERS PRESENT VOTED TO ADJOURN.**