

AGENDA
770TH STATED MEETING OF THE
PHILADELPHIA HISTORICAL COMMISSION

FRIDAY, 9 OCTOBER 2026, 9:00 A.M.
ROOM 18-029, 1515 ARCH STREET
ZACHARY FRANKEL, CHAIR

INSTRUCTIONS FOR PARTICIPATING IN THE MEETING INCLUDED AT THE BOTTOM OF THIS AGENDA

1. ADOPTION OF MINUTES, 769TH STATED MEETING, 11 SEPTEMBER 2026

Zachary Frankel, Chair

2. CONTINUANCE REQUEST

ADDRESS: 1910 CHESTNUT ST – REQUEST TO CONTINUE TO THE DEC 2026 PHC MEETING

Proposal: Remove marquee; install storefront

Review Requested: Final Approval

Owner: 19R Chestnut Partners LP

Applicant: Reed Slogoff, Chestnut Square Associates LP

History: 1928; Boyd Theater, Sameric Theater; Hoffman & Henon, architects

Individual Designation: 8/9/2008

District Designation: None

Staff Contact: Kim Chantry, kim.chantry@phila.gov

3. THE REPORT OF THE ARCHITECTURAL COMMITTEE, 22 SEPTEMBER 2026

Dan McCoubrey, Chair

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ADDRESS: 2102 GREEN ST – REVISED

Proposal: Demolish rear ell; construct rear addition with roof deck and pilot house

Review Requested: Review In Concept

Owner: Margaret T. and John C. Caramanico

Applicant: Lauren Thomsen, Lauren Thomsen Design

History: 1854

Individual Designation: 5/1/1975

District Designation: Spring Garden Historic District, Contributing, 10/11/2000

Staff Contact: Kim Chantry, kim.chantry@phila.gov

ADDRESS: 2201 PANAMA ST – REVISED

Proposal: Construct fourth floor and roof deck

Review Requested: Review In Concept

Owner: Amy and Alexander Blumenthal

Applicant: Amy Blumenthal

History: 1963; Goldberg & Nauta, architects

Individual Designation: None

District Designation: Rittenhouse Fidler Historic District, Non-contributing, 2/8/1995

Staff Contact: Dan Shachar-Krasnoff, dan.shachar-krasnoff@phila.gov

ORDER OF AGENDA SUBJECT TO CHANGE
PHILADELPHIA HISTORICAL COMMISSION
PHILADELPHIA'S PRINCIPAL PUBLIC STEWARD OF HISTORIC RESOURCES

4. THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON HISTORIC DESIGNATION, 16 SEPTEMBER 2026

Emily Cooperman, Chair

ADDRESS: 1800-04 AND 1808-12 WILMOT ST

Name of Resource: Second Baptist Church of Frankford

Proposed Action: Designation

Property Owner: Second Baptist Church of Frankford

Nominator: Philadelphia Historical Commission

Staff Contact: Josh Schroeder, joshua.schroeder@phila.gov

ADDRESS: 2147 AND 2149 ELLSWORTH ST

Name of Resource: *We the Youth* Keith Haring Mural

Proposed Action: Designation

Property Owner: 2147, 2147 Ellsworth LLC; 2149, Neighborhood Gardens Trust

Nominator: Philadelphia Historical Commission

Staff Contact: Alex Till, alexander.till@phila.gov

5. OLD BUSINESS

ADDRESS: 5538-50 BALTIMORE AVE

Name of Resource: Ambassador Theater

Proposed Action: Designation

Property Owner: James J. Kennedy Jr.

Nominator: University City Historical Society

Staff Contact: Heather Hendrickson, heather.hendrickson@phila.gov

6. THE REPORT ON THE ACTIVITIES OF THE HISTORICAL COMMISSION STAFF, SEPTEMBER 2026

Jonathan E. Farnham, Executive Director

INSTRUCTIONS FOR PARTICIPATING IN THE HISTORICAL COMMISSION'S MEETING

Applicants, property owners, and the public may participate in the Historical Commission's meeting in person or remotely on Zoom. The Commissioners and their staff will attend the meeting in person. The advisory committee meetings will continue to be held on Zoom only. The Historical Commission's meeting will be held in Room 18-029 on the 18th floor of 1515 Arch Street, also called the One Parkway Building, at the northeast corner of 16th and Arch Streets, across Arch Street from Love Park. All attendees must go through security when entering the building, which includes passing through a metal detector and showing a photo ID. After security and the turnstiles, take the second bank of elevators to the 18th floor. After exiting an elevator, follow the signs to Conference Room 18-029, called the City Planning Commission and Historical Commission Conference Room. When entering the conference room, please sign into the meeting on the sign-in sheet.

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- To join with a device, go to this link on 9 October 2026.
 - Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86712953494?pwd=Z01EFEKxQucdyKropdZBJ99w1IYF2H.1>
 - Passcode: 360503
- To join by telephone, call this number on 9 October 2026.
 - Telephone Number: 267-831-0333
 - Meeting ID: 867 1295 3494#
 - Participant ID: #
 - Passcode: 360503#
- To email comments, send them to preservation@phila.gov by noon on 8 October 2026.

The meeting materials are available on the Historical Commission's [website](#). Please note that the meeting will be recorded. By participating in the meeting, you are consenting to be recorded. A link to the recording of the meeting will be placed [here](#) on the website after the meeting.

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