



**BARRIO LATINO COMMISSION  
PUBLIC HEARING**

**MEETING DATE:** Tuesday, December 17, 2024  
**TIME:** 9:00 AM  
**LOCATION:** Old City Hall, 315 E. Kennedy Blvd, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Tampa, FL 33602

**MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER** - Chair Rich Simmons called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and gave instructions to petitioners regarding procedures at the Public Hearing.

**SILENT ROLL CALL** - Alexis Guzman completed the roll call.  
**Commissioners Present:** Rich Simmons, Roberto Torres, Richard Cahill, and Vivian Salaga  
**Commissioners Arriving After Roll Call:** Susan Klaus Smith  
**Commissioners Absent:** Levy Nguyen and Chase Corley  
**Staff Present:** Dennis Fernandez and Alexis Guzman

**INTRODUCTIONS** – Chair Simmons introduced himself. Commissioners present introduced themselves.

**READING OF THE MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 19, 2024** – By motion the minutes stand as read by unanimous consent.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** – Dennis Fernandez, Architectural Review & Historic Preservation Manager

- I have submitted the staff approvals for November 2024 into the record
- We are now accepting nominations for the CAC seat representing the Barrio Latino Commission. Cedric Powell and Brenda Thrower, CAC staff, reviewed the qualifications and responsibilities for the position.

**Motion:** Rich Simmons      **Second:** Vivian Salaga  
Moved to nominate Roberto Torres for CAC position.  
**Motion was approved with a vote of 5-0-0.**

**UPDATE ON THE REVISIONS TO THE YBOR CITY PARKING CODE:**  
Dennis Fernandez presented a PowerPoint outlining the Ybor City parking lot updates, including key dates, changes implemented, and process highlights. Mr. Fernandez explained the BLC and staff roles, highlighting the new Section 27-178(b) for annual operations and security plans.

