



**AGENDA
HISTORICAL PRESERVATION COMMISSION
MEETING
CITY OF LEANDER, TEXAS**



Development Services - San Gabriel Conference Room
201 North Brushy Street - Leander, Texas
Wednesday, April 16, 2025
Regular Meeting at 5:30 PM

Place 1 - Benjamin Geiger
Place 2 – Anna Yelaun
Place 3 – Kathy Howell
Place 4 – Esmeralda Gonzalez
Place 5 - Joel Bakki

Place 6 – Christina Twing
Place 7 – Triste Freeburg
Council Liaison - Kathryn Pantalion-Parker
Staff Liaison – Karina Castillo

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REGULAR MEETING

1. Open Meeting.
2. Roll Call.
3. Public comments on items not listed in the agenda.

Public comments on items listed in the agenda will be heard at the time each item is discussed.

[All comments are limited to no more than 3 minutes (6 minutes if translation is needed) per individual.]

4. CHAIR'S REPORT
5. SUB-COMMITTEE REPORT
 1. Public Education
 2. Website and Social Media
 3. Special Events
 4. Historic Locations
6. STAFF BRIEFINGS
 1. Bryson Farmstead
 2. Davis House
 3. Record Keeping

CONSENT AGENDA: ACTION

7. Approval of the minutes for meeting held on March 16, 2025.

REGULAR AGENDA

8. Discussion of historical properties within the City of Leander limits.
9. Discuss and consider action on the upcoming events for 2025.
10. Discuss and consider action on purchases and possible expenses for Fiscal Year 2025.
11. Future Agenda Items [Any deliberation of or decision about the subject of the inquiry shall be limited to a proposal to place the subject on the agenda for a subsequent meeting.]
12. Adjournment

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Karina Castillo, Planning Manager



EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
4/16/2025

AGENDA SUBJECT:

Approval of the minutes for meeting held on March 16, 2025.

BACKGROUND:

HISTORY/TIMELINE:

APPLICANT/AGENT:

PRESENTER:

Attachments:

1. 03.19.2025 HPC Draft Minutes



**MINUTES
HISTORICAL PRESERVATION COMMISSION
MEETING
CITY OF LEANDER, TEXAS**



Development Services - San Gabriel Conference Room
201 North Brushy Street - Leander, Texas
Wednesday, March 19, 2025
Regular Meeting at 5:30 PM

**Place 1 - Benjamin Geiger
Place 2 – Anna Yelaun
Place 3 – Kathy Howell
Place 4 – Esmeralda Gonzalez
Place 5 - Joel Bakki**

**Place 6 – Christina Twing
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REGULAR MEETING

1. Open Meeting.

Opened meeting at 5:40 p.m.

2. Roll Call.

Roll call reflected all present with Commissioner Yelaun, Commissioner Gonzalez, and Commissioner Bakki absent.

3. Public comments on items not listed in the agenda.

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No one spoke.

4. CHAIR'S REPORT

No report.

5. SUB-COMMITTEE REPORT

1. Public Education
2. Website and Social Media
3. Special Events
4. Historic Locations

1. Update included Leander History presentation at March 20, 2025 Council meeting being Mason Heritage Days; Vice-Chair Howell will be speaking at the Chamber of Commerce, April 4 Table One event and an upcoming micro group meeting.

2. Update included a request to have the Parks Department post made on March 4 and 11 be copied and posted on the Historic Preservation Committee Facebook page.
3. Updated included roles of Commissioners at upcoming Mason Heritage Days event.
4. No update.

6. STAFF BRIEFINGS

1. Bryson Farmstead
2. Mason Homestead

Bryson Farmstead update included 60% design stage complete, Texas Historic Preservation Commission has review the plans and are agreeable to them, and staff working to have the building(s) added to the City's insurance through Texas Municipal League.

Mason Homestead update included contract is the review and approval process with staff for the cistern and well.

CONSENT AGENDA: ACTION

Motion: Approve the consent agenda.

By: Board Member Freeburg

Seconded: Board Member Howell

Vote: 4 - 0

7. Approval of the minutes for meeting held on February 19, 2025.

REGULAR AGENDA

8. Discussion of historical properties within the City of Leander limits.

Following a discussion, Chair Geiger will bring back criteria and framework for a Marker Program to the next week base on the feedback received.

9. Discuss and consider the City of Leander Public Library showcase and other possible locations.

Motion: Approve working with Public Information Office to create an 11X17 poster with QR Code to be displayed in the library, Leander Activity Center and future senior center, following a discussion.

By: Board Member Howell

Seconded: Board Member Twing

Vote: 4 - 0

10. Discuss and consider the characters for Spirits of Bagdad held in October 2025.

Motion: Approve the list of names as presented with the change of George Craven to his wife, following a discussion.

By: Board Member Geiger
Seconded: Board Member Howell

Vote: 4 - 0

11. Discuss and consider action on purchases and possible expenses for Fiscal Year 2025.

Motion: Approve creating a rack card with the help of the Public Information Office and for all Commissioners to bring samples to the next meeting for ideas, following a discussion.

By: Board Member Howell
Seconded: Board Member Twing

Vote: 4 - 0

12. Future Agenda Items [Any deliberation of or decision about the subject of the inquiry shall be limited to a proposal to place the subject on the agenda for a subsequent meeting.]

- Public Information Office Staff members Maureen Jones and Clara Snyder attend the meeting to help with design of 11X17 poster, logo and rack cards. (May)
- Calendar of events July through January. (April)
- Laserfiche to archive photos and oral history files. (April)
- Marker Program framework and criteria. (April - Geiger)

13. Adjournment

Adjourned at 6:56 p.m.

APPROVED

CHAIR

ATTEST:

STAFF LIAISON



EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
4/16/2025

AGENDA SUBJECT:

Discussion of historical properties within the City of Leander limits.

BACKGROUND:

The Commission discussed the process for historical properties within the City of Leander during the March 2025 meeting. This item will discuss the criteria and framework for a Marker Program.

HISTORY/TIMELINE:

APPLICANT/AGENT:

PRESENTER:

Attachments:



EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
4/16/2025

AGENDA SUBJECT:

Discuss and consider action on the upcoming events for 2025.

BACKGROUND:

The Commission previous took action on the events that the Commission is interested in participating through June 2025. This item will take action on the schedule through January 2026.

HISTORY/TIMELINE:

APPLICANT/AGENT:

PRESENTER:

Attachments:



**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
4/16/2025**

AGENDA SUBJECT:

Discuss and consider action on purchases and possible expenses for Fiscal Year 2025.

BACKGROUND:

The Commission took action during the March 2025 meeting to proceed with Rack Cards for FY25. This item will consider purchasing items to better display the posters used by the Commission.

HISTORY/TIMELINE:

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