MINUTES
HISTORICAL PRESERVATION COMMISSION MEETING
CITY OF LEANDER, TEXAS

Development Services - San Gabriel Conference Room
201 North Brushy Street - Leander, Texas
Wednesday, August 21, 2024
Regular Meeting at 5:30 PM

Place 1 - Benjamin Geiger	**Place 6 – Christina Twing**
Place 2 – Stephen Cook	**Place 7 – Priscilla Sims**
Place 3 – Kathy Howell	**Council Liaison - Kathryn Pantalion-Parker**
Place 4 – Vacant	**Staff Liaison – Karina Castillo**
Place 5 - Vacant	

REGULAR MEETING

1. Open Meeting.

   Opened meeting at 5:31 p.m.

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.]

   No one spoke.

4. CHAIR'S REPORT

   The Chair announced he will not be seeking reappointment with the Commission. His last meeting will be October 2024. Discussion was had regarding honoring previous Commissioners.

5. SUB-COMMITTEE REPORT

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

   1. The public education update included upcoming presentations in October and November. No presentations were held since the last meeting.

2. The website and social media update included the followers count remaining about the same as the previous month. There have been a few posts since the last month. Upcoming posts include promoting the Spirits of Bagdad event.
3. The special events update included a continuation of the debrief of the Old Town Festival, promotion for the Spirits of Bagdad, and discussion regarding the Holiday at the Homestead.
4. The historic locations update included approval of a maintenance budget for the Mason Homestead in the FY2025 budget and the pending improvements at the Davis Cemetery.

6. STAFF BRIEFINGS

1. Bryson Farmstead
2. Davis House
3. Gus Bernal Videography Services

1. The Bryson Farmstead update included a pending contract for selective demolition. Following the demolition, the plans may be finalized in order to proceed to the bidding process.
2. The Davis House update included the demolition of the house that was completed during the week of August 5, 2024.
3. Gus Bernal Videography Services update included an updated version of the video. Additional feedback was provided to be shared. Final version of the video will be sent via email once it is received.

CONSENT AGENDA: ACTION

7. Approval of the minutes for meeting held on July 17, 2024.

Motion: Approval of the minutes for the meeting held on July 17, 2024.
By: Benjamin Geiger
Second: Kathy Howell

Yes: Stephen Cook, Kathy Howell, Benjamin Greiger, Christina Twing, Priscilla Sims
No: None
Abstain: None

REGULAR AGENDA

8. Discuss and consider the record keeping process for any oral history recordings by the Commission.

The Commission discussed the record keeping process for any oral history recordings. No action was taken.

9. 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.]

Future agenda items include a presentation of the Commission's duties and responsibilities and discussing the volunteer opportunities at the Christmas Festival being held on December 7, 2024.

10. Adjournment

Adjourned at 6:17 p.m.

APPROVED

CHAIR

ATTEST:

STAFF LIAISON