

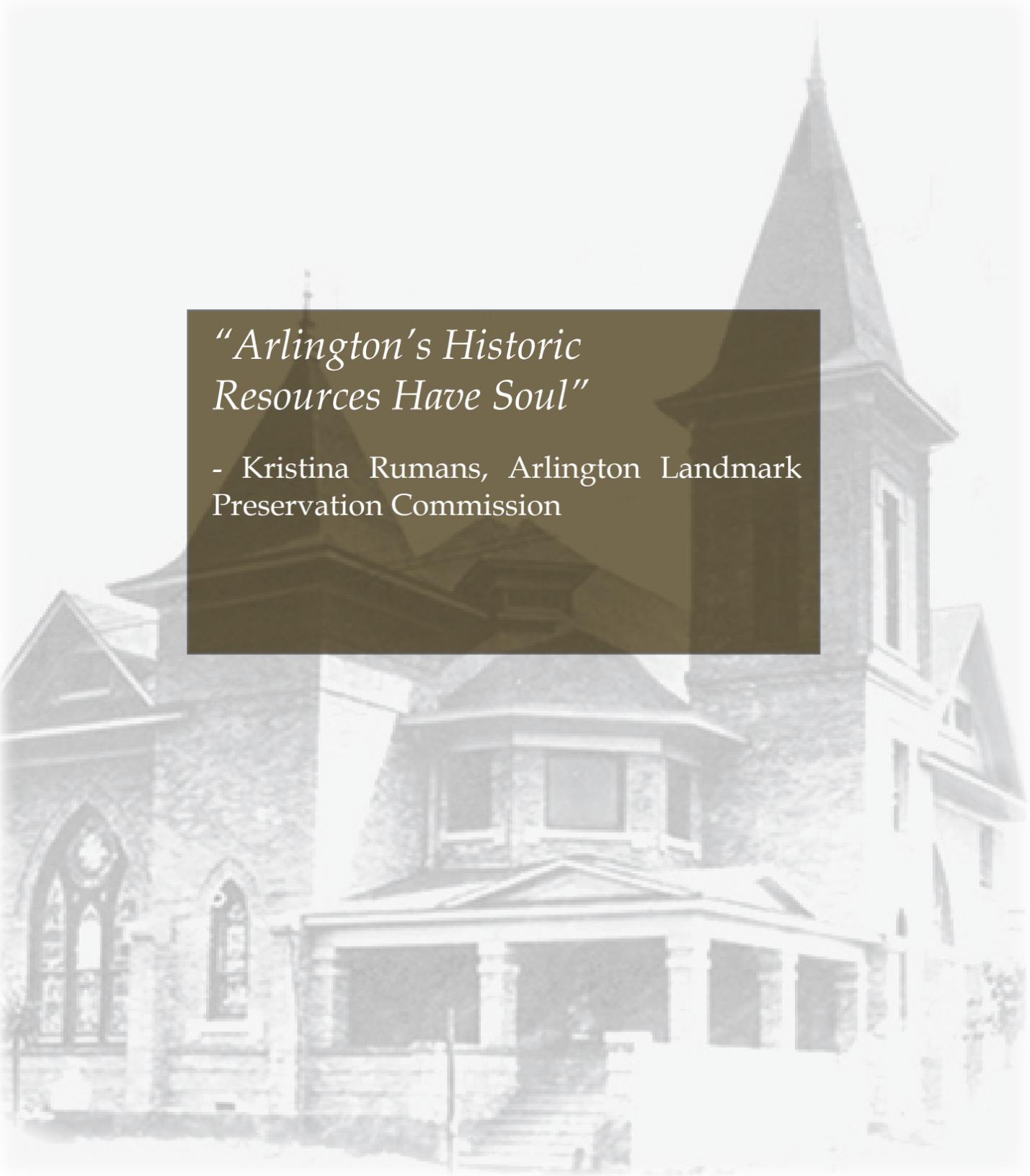


LANDMARK PRESERVATION COMMISSION

2020 ANNUAL REPORT TO CITY COUNCIL

MARCH 2021





*“Arlington’s Historic
Resources Have Soul”*

- Kristina Rumans, Arlington Landmark
Preservation Commission

On the front cover (Clockwise from top left): Marrow Bone Spring | Sign from Candlelite Inn, 1202 E. Division Street | Toll booth from the Turnpike, now Interstate 30 (ca. 1956) | Interurban Wait Station, reconstructed on the Fielder House property, 1616 W. Abram Street | Gated Entrance to Arlington Baptist College - once Top O’Hill Terrace | Vandergriff Buick sign (date unknown) | World War II Memorial in City Center Plaza (2019) | Arlington Downs grandstand (date unknown).

A MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

The Landmark Preservation Commission is pleased to present our 2020 annual report to the Mayor and City Council. Our dedicated Commissioners are working diligently to preserve our city's historic landmarks and educate our citizens about their significance.

This report will highlight the Commissioners' efforts to mark history by using our "Landmark Arlington" marker program and focusing on historic architectural periods as well as historic sites and neighborhoods. Our program encourages green building to reuse existing structures as opposed to new construction in our older historic neighborhoods and links this history as a "place that matters."

We are educating the citizens to show the value of historic preservation moving forward with our growing community defining not only what we create but also what we refuse to destroy for future generations to appreciate and share with a sense of community pride.

It is a privilege and honor to be serving as Chairperson of the Landmark Commission and for giving the Commissioners the opportunity to serve Arlington to educate, oversee, and preserve Arlington's historic resources and history.

Kristina Rumans, Chair

LANDMARK PRESERVATION COMMISSION

2020 LANDMARK PRESERVATION COMMISSIONERS

Place 1	Kristina Rumans (appointed November 2018)
Place 2	Lisa Allen (reappointed August 2018)
Place 3	Geoff Scheid (appointed September 2017)
Place 4	Jason Sullivan (appointed July 2020)
Place 5	Shirley Patterson (appointed July 2019)
Place 6	Barbara Reber (reappointed August 2018)
Place 7	Owen "OK" Carter (appointed July 2018)
Place 8	Rodrick Pension (appointed July 2019)
Place 9	Suzanne Sweek (reappointed July 2020)

CITY STAFF LIAISONS

Senior Planner Sarah Stubblefield, AICP continued to serve as staff support and Historic Preservation Officer in 2020.

Anthony Cisneros, AICP, Planner also assisted as staff support in 2020.

Cindy Harding, Administrative Assistant serves as the Commission secretary.

CERTIFIED LOCAL GOVERNMENT REPORTING

As a member of the Certified Local Government program, annual reports must be provided to the Texas Historical Commission and National Park Service. Reporting was completed to both organizations in February 2020.

CERTIFICATES OF DEMOLITION

The Arlington Unified Development Code requires Landmark Preservation Commission (LPC) review of demolition and relocation permit applications for all structures at least 50 years of age, whose age is unknown, or those with historical designations. Office of Strategic Initiatives staff provide historic review and property history as well as exterior photos for the Commission's review.

All of the properties listed in the table were reviewed by the Commission

at a public hearing. Date of construction is listed according to Tarrant Appraisal District records. The 2007 Historic Resources Survey is used by City staff and the Commissioners to determine if the property is an historically-contributing structure to Arlington.

The 13 applications received in 2020 were all released by the Commission and are listed in the table above. The number of applications has stayed relatively stable in 2020 - there were 12 permits reviewed in 2019, and 14 permits in 2018.

Address	Const. Date	LPC Date	Priority
1608 Marie Terrace	1968	2-13-2020	none
510 S. Mesquite Street	1947	5-14-2020	none
611 Slaughter Street	1968	6-11-2020	none
200 E. Fourth Street	1948	7-09-2020	none
206 E. Fourth Street	1948	7-09-2020	none
504 E. Sanford Street	1945	7-09-2020	none
520 Michener Drive	1977	8-13-2020	none
2818 W. Division Street	1956	8-13-2020	none
2010 Duval Drive	1950	10-10-2019	none
1312 W. Second Street	1941	11-05-2020	MEDIUM
1201 W. Abram Street	1950	12-10-2020	MEDIUM
2508 Plaza Street	1956	12-10-2020	none
2026 Skylark Drive	1955	12-17-2020	none

DANGEROUS/SUBSTANDARD STRUCTURES

The Dangerous and Substandard Structures (DSS) team of the Code Compliance division investigates dangerous buildings, the conditions of which endanger the life, health, property, or safety of the public. On occasion the Commission must review the cases being worked by the DSS team due to the potential demolition of structures 50 years or older.

The properties listed here were reviewed and released to the City of Arlington for appropriate action. DSS team officers provided case information related to review of dangerous structures.

The Commission turned over 9 properties listed in the table to the right for appropriate action by the DSS team. This number did not change significantly from previous years - there were 9 cases reviewed in 2019, and 13 cases in 2018, and 9 cases in 2017.

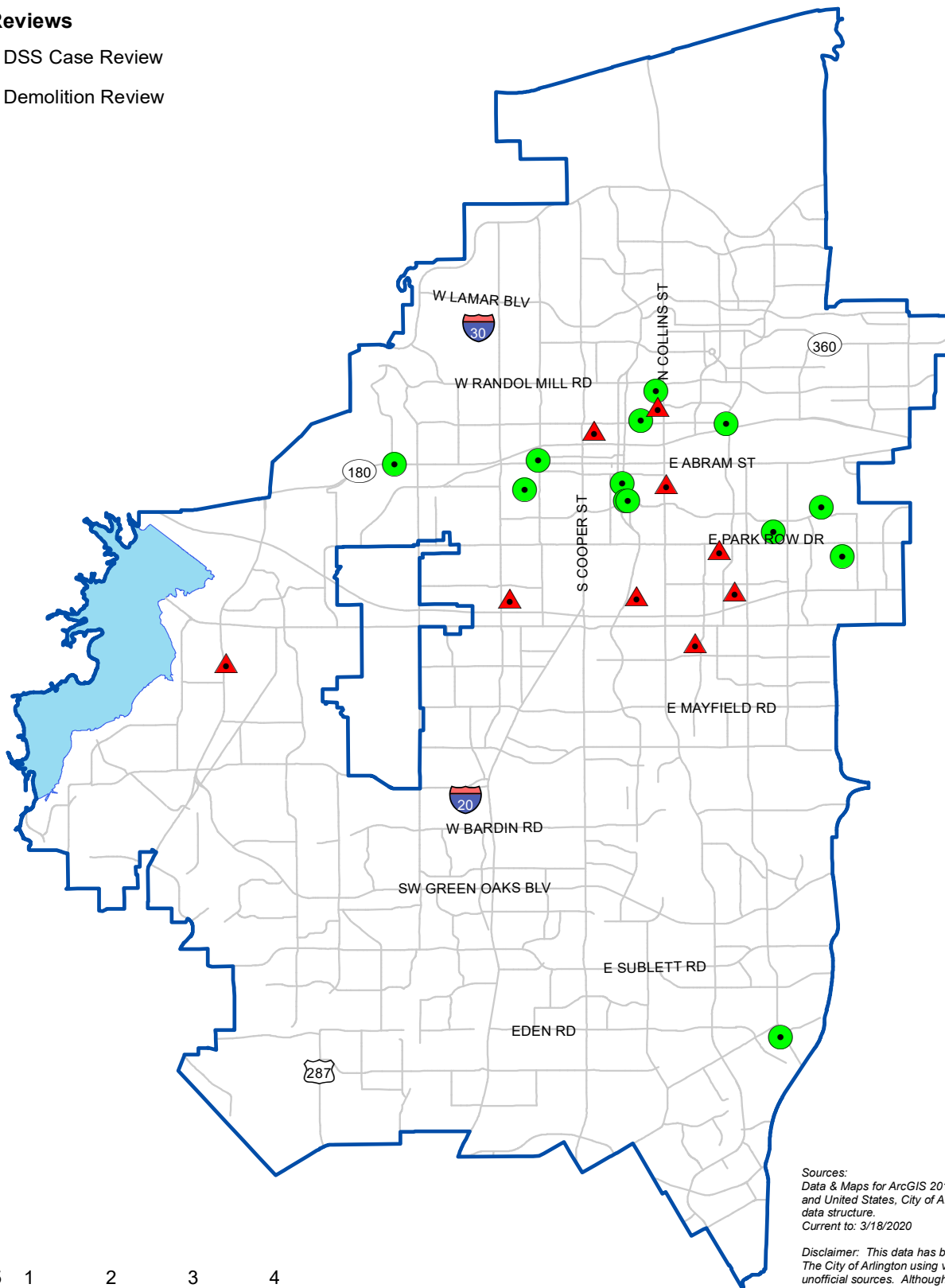
Address	LPC Date
2703 W. Green Oaks Blvd.	2-13-2020
1507 Tulip Drive	5-14-2020
1300 Carla Avenue	6-11-2020
1516 Arbor Lane	6-11-2020
409 S. Collins	7-09-2020
704 E. Rogers Street	8-13-2020
1721 Glynn Oaks Drive	8-12-2020
416 E. Lilly Lane	10-08-2020
507 Echols Street	11-12-2020

2020 DEMOLITION PERMIT AND DANGEROUS STRUCTURE CASES



2020 Reviews

- ▲ DSS Case Review
- Demolition Review



Sources:
Data & Maps for ArcGIS 2012 - World, Europe,
and United States, City of Arlington - OSI GIS
data structure.
Current to: 3/18/2020

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The City of Arlington using various official and
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CITY OF ARLINGTON RECEIVES FOUR LOCAL LANDMARK NOMINATIONS IN 2020

The Landmark Preservation Commission (LPC) accepts applications to recognize structures and sites that are significant to the history and culture of Arlington. In 2020, the Landmark Preservation Commission received four nominations for local markers that were all approved by LPC. The following historical sites were nominated and recommended to City Council for approval.

- **Bridges Home** (211 E. North Street)- The Bridges Home is a typical example of Arts & Crafts architecture of the period. The property was originally owned by Lewis Finger prior to Original Town platting and subsequently bought by William and Nannie Pulley. After her husband's death, Nannie Pulley sold the property at 211 East North in 1943 to Arthur T. Bridges and Josie Bridges. Arthur became a minister and Josie worked as a drama teacher and private tutor.
- **Sibley Home** (419 N. Elm Street) - The Sibley Home is a modest classic Bungalow Craftsman-style home typical of the time period. In 1922, Vester M. Sibley bought several lots in the Ditto & Bone Addition. According to his son, Marvin Sibley Jr. (1924-2011) his father had constructed the addition to the house by the time he was born. Mr. Sibley opened a Texaco Service Station in the 900 block of Division Street in 1937. Marvin Jr. continued to work there until 1986 when the station closed.
- **The King Devault Home** (412 N. Elm Street) - This post-Victorian building is an example of a one-story vernacular design that was once common, but is now one of the few remaining examples in Arlington. It is representative of the work of builder/contractor Joe Crawley. C. D. (Dutch) King Sr. originally purchased the property circa 1903 and built the home. In 1932, after Dutch King's death the ownership moved to his daughter, Eugenia Heath, and later to her daughter Imogene Heath. In 1945, Buel Albert Davault purchased the home from the King family. The Davault family resided in the home until 1999, when son Larry Davault passed away.
- **C. Brower Home** (204 E. Second Street) - The home at 204 E. Second Street is constructed in a Tudor-style that was popular during the 1920's and remained a favorite until the 1940s. The home at 204 E. Second Street was originally purchased as a 1.6-acre tract by Clark C. Brower in December 1918. Brower and his wife moved into the existing home between 1920 and 1930, as indicated by available Census records. Brower, a rural mail carrier, and his wife Bessie lived in the home until their deaths in 1974. The home stayed in the Brower family until it was sold in 1991 to the Von Wald family and sold again in 2018 to the current owners.



Bridges Home



Sibley Home



King Devault Home



C. Brower Home

ARLINGTON AWARDED TEXAS HISTORICAL COMMISSION GRANT TO HOLD NAPC TRAINING

In February 2020, the Arlington Landmark Preservation Commission was awarded a Certified Local Government Sub-Grant by the Texas Historical Commission (THC), to hold a National Alliance Preservation Commission (NAPC) Commission Assistance & Mentoring Program (CAMP) training. CAMP is a signature training led by qualified preservation professionals in support of local preservation commissions. This CAMP training is held in cities across the country and will be the first one held in North Texas in over 10 years. The Arlington CAMP training provides high quality training on topics such as:

- Legal Issues & Standards
- Guidelines for Design Review
- Preservation Planning for Local Commissions
- Identifying and Designating Historic Resources
- Building Public Support
- Mid-Century Resources

The training was originally planned to be hosted during summer 2020, but was postponed to Summer 2021 as a result of the coronavirus pandemic limiting larger group gatherings.

IN THE NEWS

The following historical news features were published in 2020:

- [Office of Strategic Initiatives presents "The Hil: Arlington's Historic African American Community" interactive story map to City Council to commemorate Black History Month](#) (2/23)
- [Celebrate Women's History Month With Arlington Public Library](#) (3/02)
- [Brush Up On Arlington History, Culture As Podcast Series Has 'Great Stories To Tell'](#) (5/19)
- [As Arlington Grows, The City Seeks To Honor Historically Significant Homes](#) (12/23)

The LPC also continued a partnership with the Office of Communication to launch a monthly historical series called "A Look Back", authored by Commissioner Owen "OK" Carter. 2020 articles included:

- [A Look Back: Man Who Became Mayor Credited With City's First 'Bucket Bridge', Fire Alarm Bell](#) (2/26)



2021 LANDMARK PRESERVATION COMMISSION WORK PLAN

The Landmark Preservation Commission (LPC) Work Plan serves as a guide to the LPC for the work they accomplish each year. In general, the Landmark Preservation Commission has wide-ranging goals and objectives based on the goals of the City Council and the adopted 2010 Historic Preservation Plan for the City of Arlington. While many of these Goals and Objectives can take many years to achieve the Action Table for each goal highlights the specific work of the Landmark Preservation Commission throughout 2021.

1. Local Marker Program

- Market and Implement the Program
- Assist in preparing local marker application nominations for additional High Priority properties as Arlington landmarks

2. Outreach

- Increase awareness of Arlington landmark preservation efforts with local, state, and national preservation organizations
- Update LPC Pages on the City website
- Continue to promote Arlington history on City social media pages

3. Incentives

- Propose an Incentive Program for consideration by the Council

4. Landmark Preservation (LP) Overlay

- Evaluate existing overlay and study opportunities for including additional properties, buildings, and sites for increased preservation
- Explore how LP Overlay properties can coordinate with potential incentives
- Recommend changes/updates to LP Overlay to Planning and Zoning Commission

5. Tourism

- Study possibility of walking tour of local landmarks, including a smartphone application
- Create and market an interactive map of all local marker sites to add to the City website and other appropriate online networks

6. Training & Networking

- Seek opportunities for training related to preservation
- Ensure all Commissioners have current ethics and open meetings training
- Attend Other Historic Group Meetings, and Network with Other Historic Interest Groups

- Explore hosting a Texas Historic Commission training event

7. Commission Membership

- Actively recruit LPC members when necessary
- Improve communications with the City to assist the LPC in effectively fulfilling its role

8. Staff Support

- Keep Commissioners informed about community preservation events and initiatives.
- Continue staff functions, including:
 1. Assist with case reports for demolition permits that are referred to the Commission by Planning and Development Services department
 2. Review applicable zoning cases for their potential effect on historic properties and inform the Commission
 3. Prepare annual Certified Local Government (CLG) and other grant applications on behalf of the Commission
 4. Coordinate training opportunities for the Commission and staff including Texas Historical Commission-approved events
 5. Network and coordinate with the private sector, the community, and other City departments on preservation issues and efforts
 6. Coordinate with the Arlington CVB in promoting preservation and heritage tourism in Arlington

