

MINUTES

Landmark Preservation Commission Regular Session

Council Briefing Room- City Hall 101 W. Abram Street

Thursday, January 10, 2019 6:15 p.m.

Commissioners Present
Barbara Reber, Vice-Chair
Geraldine Mills
Geoff Scheid
O.K. Carter
Valerie Galloway
Dorothy Rencurrel
Kristina Rumans

Absent Staff
Michelle Canton, Chair Sarah Stubblefield
Lisa Allen Anthony Cisneros
Cindy Harding

- I. Call to Order Vice-Chair Reber called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m.
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Announcements
 None
- IV. Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Mills moved to approve the December 13, 2018, minutes. Seconded by Commissioner Rumans, the minutes were approved unanimously.

V. Work Plan Items

1. Arlington Heritage Memorial Grounds Update

Commissioner Mills noted that the plat was complete, and a groundbreaking ceremony was tentatively scheduled for February 23, 2019.

2. Fielder House Renovations Update

Commissioner Mills reported that there were one to two weeks of construction yet to be completed before displays and artifacts could be returned to the house for public viewing.

3. Sandstone Houses

Commissioner Carter provided a presentation on the origins and types of sandstone, noting that there are two natural areas of sandstone in north Texas. Sandstone is the second most occurring rock stratus in the world. It is basically sedimentary and oceanic, being made up of grains of quartz and can have the strength of cement. The sandstone from these homes likely came from construction projects in the area as a result of excavation. Local sandstone is primarily dark reddish brown in color, a result

of a high iron content in the area soils. Pictures of 14 sandstone structures located in central Arlington were featured, with plans to document others in the future.

4. Other Priority Historic Resources

None

5. Discussion of 2019 Work Plan

It was noted that the Commission would send their goals for 2019 to the City Council in March as a component of the Annual Report to Council. Ongoing goals include the Local Marker Program, outreach projects, incentives for property owners, the Landmark Preservation Overlay, tourism, training and networking, Commissioner membership recruitment and communications with the City, as well as staff support. The Commission requested more time to review this Work Plan and will be on the February agenda for additional discussion.

VI. Social Media Outreach

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The Commission was reminded that the City's Facebook Page, as well as the City website, featured articles written by Commissioner Carter once each month.

VII. Historic Preservation Officer Report

Ms. Stubblefield demonstrated an interactive map created and maintained by the Dangerous and Substandard Structure (DSS) Team, a part of Code Compliance Services, which documents current and past DSS properties for their final result, primarily rehabilitation or demolition. This is a tool Commissioners can use to follow-up on previous DSS properties that have been presented to the Landmark Preservation Commission as a part of the DSS process.

VIII. Public Forum

None

IX. Future Agenda Items – February 21, 2019

X. Adjourn

Vice-Chair Reber adjourned the meeting at 7:01 p.m.

Barbara Reber, Vice-Chair

Barbara Reber

ATTEST:

Secretary to the Commission APPROVED this 21st day of February 2019