



MINUTES

**Landmark Preservation Commission
Regular Session**

**Council Briefing Room- City Hall
101 W. Abram Street**

**Thursday, March 21, 2019
6:15 p.m.**

Commissioners Present

Michelle Canton, Chair
Barbara Reber, Vice-Chair
Lisa Allen
Geraldine Mills
Geoff Scheid
O.K. Carter

Absent

Valerie Galloway
Dorothy Rencurrel
Kristina Rumans

Staff

Sarah Stubblefield
Anthony Cisneros
Ann Foss
Cindy Harding

- I. **Call to Order** – Chair Canton called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m.
- II. **Pledge of Allegiance**
- III. **Announcements**
None
- IV. **Approval of Minutes**
Vice-Chair Reber moved to approve the February 21, 2019, minutes. Seconded by Commissioner Allen, the minutes were approved unanimously.
- V. **Demolition Permit Applications**
 1. **3900 Perkins Road (aka 3824 Perkins Road)**
Commissioner Allen had worked with the homeowner to have the house sold at auction; however, the timeline did not permit waiting up to three months for an auction.

Commissioner Mills moved to release the additional 30-day stay placed on the demolition at the previous meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Allen, the motion was approved unanimously.
 2. **1312 W. Second Street**
Mr. Cisneros gave a presentation regarding the detached garage and accessory structure located adjacent to a home built in 1941. The home is in good condition, and currently occupied; however, the garage and shed were estimated to have built in the 1960's and have no historic significance. Commissioner Scheid had visited the site to take photos and confirm that the home would not be affected.

Commissioner Scheid moved to approve the release of the 30-day stay for the detached garage and accessory structure located at 1312 W. Second Street. Seconded by Vice-Chair Reber, the motion was approved unanimously.

VI. Approval of 2019 Work Plan

Ms. Stubblefield noted that some of the timeframes had been adjusted since the last review of the Plan, but no other changes had been made.

Commissioner Mills moved to approve the 2019 Work Plan. Seconded by Commissioner Scheid, the motion was approved unanimously.

VII. Approval of Annual Report to Council

Commissioner Mills moved to approve the Annual Report to City Council. Seconded by Commissioner Allen, the motion was approved unanimously.

VIII. Presentation: West Street Underpass Mural Project

Ann Foss from the Office of Strategic Initiatives (OSI) presented an artist conceptual rendition of plans for a mural to be painted on the rail road bridge over West Street, which was constructed in 1928. As part of the Downtown Master Plan, adopted in November 2018, the mural would celebrate the history and culture of downtown Arlington. The proposed mural would depict the historic street grid and building footprints of the downtown area, and it was noted that lighting could be added in the future. The City was planning to release a Request for Qualifications to identify an artist in the next few months.

IX. Work Plan Items

1. Arlington Historical Society Update

Commissioner Mills announced that the Arlington Heritage Memorial Grounds dedication was successful. With the recent passing of Arlington native and actor Morgan Woodward, items had been left to the Fielder House Museum for display. The renovations at Fielder House were complete and displays were being set up again, new chairs had been ordered, and there was a need for at least three lighted display cases.

2. Other Priority Historic Resources

None

3. Local Marker Program Discussion

The Commission could research the local marker applications on the City website in order to assist homeowners who wished to apply. It was noted that City staff had begun digitizing and mapping the historic resources survey and updating it accurate to the resources that we have lost, as part of the City's online mapping system. The information would appear along with other property information whenever someone was house hunting or conducting research.

Ms. Stubblefield recommended that each Commissioner take one of the sandstone houses already identified and work with the current owners on marker applications in order to take on two tasks at once, then set new goals each month. She would send out additional information on the previously presented sandstone houses and allow each Commissioner to choose one address and assist the home owner with a local marker application.

4. **LPC Website Update Discussion**

None

5. **Tourism – Walking Tour Discussion**

The Commission discussed starting with a sandstone house historic tour and the Commission could use the information from the local marker applications to prepare content for this first walking tour.

6. **Training Discussion**

Ms. Stubblefield suggested some local and self-taught training provided by the Texas Historical Commission (THC), possibly in the form of a webinar.

X. Social Media Outreach

An article was published on March 8th regarding the travelling salesmen who once had a hub in Arlington. On March 4th, Colonel Neel Kearby was featured on the City Facebook Live page about the 75th Anniversary of his death.

XI. Historic Preservation Officer Report

None

XII. Public Forum

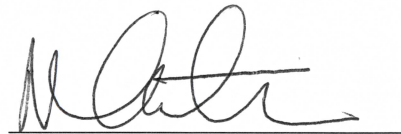
Vice-Chair Reber suggested that the Commission meet in the UTA archives at a future date.

XIII. Future Agenda Items – April 11, 2019

May would be Historic Preservation Month; therefore a proclamation would be given by City Council on May 21st.

XIV. Adjourn

Chair Canton adjourned the meeting at 7:15 p.m.



Michelle Canton, Chair

ATTEST:

Secretary to the Commission
APPROVED this 11th day of April, 2019

