

# **MINUTES**

# **Landmark Preservation Commission Regular Session**

Council Briefing Room- City Hall 101 W. Abram Street

# Thursday, September 12, 2019 6:15 p.m.

Commissioners Present

**Absent** 

Staff

Barbara Reber, Vice-Chair Geraldine Mills Dorothy Rencurrel Kristina Rumans Geoff Scheid Lisa Allen O.K. Carter Valerie Galloway Sarah Stubblefield Cindy Harding Doug Stewart Kerk Gray

- I. Call to Order Vice-Chair Reber called the meeting to order at 6:18 p.m.
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Announcements

Rodrick Penson

Ms. Stubblefield introduced and welcomed new Commissioner, Rodrick Penson.

Commissioner Mills announced that the Arlington Historical Society would be hosting a fundraiser on Saturday, September 28th, at the Arlington Museum of Art.

## IV. Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Carter moved to approve the August 8, 2019, minutes. Seconded by Commissioner Scheid, the minutes were approved unanimously.

## V. Dangerous and Substandard Structures

#### 1. 412 Truman Street (a.k.a. 410 Truman Street)

Code Officer Doug Stewart gave a presentation regarding the structure located on the north end of the property, which contained two homes on one lot also known as 410 Truman Street. Due to a recent fire caused by a faulty air conditioner and power cords, the home in question was inspected and found to be in a dilapidated and deteriorating condition. Several windows were missing, plus were holes in the roof and walls, as well as trash and debris strewn on the premises. It was determined that much of the damage to the home existed prior to the fire. The Fire Department had issued a letter regarding an October 24, 2019, deadline for permitted rehabilitation to commence; however, there appeared to be no progress.

Commissioner Rumans moved to approve the release of the 30-day stay for the structure located at 412 Truman Street at the north end of the property. Seconded by Commissioner Rencurrel, the motion was approved unanimously.

# VI. Demolition Permit Applications

#### 1. 715 W. Abram Street

Ms. Stubblefield presented the demolition request for the commercial office structure built in 1952, which had no historic designation. The current owner, the Oakhollow Group Ltd, was represented by Mr. Mojy Haddad. Recent zoning would allow for a townhome development.

Commissioner Rumans moved to approve the release of the 30-day stay for the structure located at 715 W. Abram Street. Seconded by Commissioner Scheid, the motion was approved unanimously.

# VII. Update: Arlington Historical Society

The Arlington Heritage Memorial Grounds would be getting fence panels installed the coming weeks.

A plant and yard sale fundraiser would take place on Saturday, September 21<sup>st</sup> from 9:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. at 1616 W. Abram Street, benefitting the Arlington Historical Society.

#### VIII. Work Plan Items

#### 1. Other Priority Historic Resources

Commissioner Rumans suggested that the old Moore family farm property with a 1930's sandstone house formerly known as Elm Shadows, located at 1712 S. Center Street, between Park Row Drive and Pioneer Parkway, be added to the list of possible recipients of a Historic Marker in the future.

## 2. 2020 CLG Grant Application Discussion

There was discussion about CAMP training as well as the sign and marker restoration of the 10 acres behind the 17-acre Parkdale Cemetery including the Old Arlington Cemetery, the McNatt Family Cemetery, the Masonic Cemetery, the graves of Confederate Officers, 11 former Mayors, and former Postmasters. This 17-acre area has approximately 2,000 graves. Ms. Stubblefield would contact the Parks Department regarding maintenance and installation of any signage or markers that might be created for the cemetery project. Mr. Cisneros had been working on the CAMP Training application for a maximum of 30 attendees and would have it ready for submittal prior to the November 4, 2019, deadline.

Commissioner Rencurrel moved to approve the submittal of two separate letters of intent regarding grant applications for CAMP Training and for the Cemetery Project. Seconded by Commissioner Scheid, the motion was approved unanimously.

Commissioner Scheid would Chair a Sub-Committee with Commissioners Carter, Rumans, and Allen volunteering to meet and assist on the applications, with Commissioner Rencurrel serving as an ad hoc advisor. All Commission members could be involved; therefore, a Notice of Possible Quorum would be posted for a worksession to be held at the George W. Hawkes Downtown Library on Friday,

September 20, 2019, for the purpose of creating and submitting the two separate applications.

# 3. Local Marker Program Research Discussion

All members were continuing research on Sandstone houses and accessory structures, including the Optimist Club's old baseball field.

# 4. Other Work Plan Items

None

# IX. Monthly Social Media Outreach

Commissioner Carter would submit more stories for future publications.

# X. Historic Preservation Officer Report

Commissioner Penson and Commission Rumans would attend the Boards and Commissions Orientation hosted by Trey Yelverton on Tuesday, September 17, 2019.

It was suggested that a biography of Mayor William Rose be added to the LPC website.

## X. Public Forum

None

# XI. Future Agenda Items - October 10, 2019

2020 CLG Grant

**CAMP Training** 

## XII. Adjourn

Vice-Chair Reber adjourned the meeting at 7:25 p.m.

Barbara Reber, Vice-Chair

ATTEST:

Secretary to the Commission APPROVED this 10th day of October, 2019