



MINUTES

**Landmark Preservation Commission
Regular Session**

**Public Meeting
Council Briefing Room**

**Thursday, July 8, 2021
6:00 p.m.**

Commissioners Present

Kristina Rumans, Chair
Barbara Reber, Vice-Chair
Suzanne Sweek
Rodrick Penson
Jason Sullivan

Absent

Lisa Allen
Shirley Patterson
O.K. Carter

Staff

Sarah Stubblefield
Anthony Cisneros
Cindy Harding

- I. **Call to Order** – Chair Rumans called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
- II. **Pledge of Allegiance**
- III. **Announcements**
None
- IV. **Approval of Minutes** – June 10, 2021
Vice-Chair Reber moved to approve the June 10, 2021, minutes. Seconded by Commissioner Sweek, the minutes were approved unanimously.
- V. **Demolition Permit Applications**
 1. **2103 N. Cooper Street**

Mr. Cisneros gave a presentation on the home which has been in the Garmon family since it was built in 1959, but had no historic significance, was vacant and boarded up. Chair Rumans had visited the site adjacent to the Rolling Hills Country Club golf course and stated that the trees were beautiful and should be saved if possible. It was noted that since the property was residential, the Tree Ordinance should be followed.

Vice-Chair Reber moved to approve the release of the historic stay on 2103 N. Cooper Street, with a comment about preserving the trees. Seconded by Commissioner Sweek, the motion was approved unanimously.
 2. **100 E. Third Street**

Mr. Cisneros gave a presentation on the two-building apartment complex built in 1969. The property owner had applied for the permit and the building to be demolished is fire damaged and has been vacant and boarded up since 2018. Commissioner Sullivan had visited the site near College Park and noted that the building in question was indeed in worse shape than the other occupied apartment building. Floreen Henry from the HANA Neighborhood spoke and thanked the

Commission for considering demolition of the unsafe structure which is across the street from UTA's College on the Green.

Commissioner Penson moved to approve the release of the historic stay on 100 E. Third Street. Seconded by Vice-Chair Reber, the motion was approved unanimously.

VI. Local Marker Program Applications:

1. Garrett-Moore House (1712 S. Center Street)

Ms. Stubblefield gave a presentation on the stone homestead, also known as Elm Shadows Farm and built in 1936. The current owners, Dr. and Mrs. Ahangarzadeh, were present to answer questions and thanked the Commission for considering their home for a marker.

Vice-Chair Reber made a motion to forward the marker application for 1712 S. Center Street to the City Council for their approval. Seconded by Commissioner Penson, the motion was approved unanimously.

2. Meadowbrook Park (1300 Dugan Street)

Ms. Stubblefield gave a presentation on the City's first public park which opened in 1924 on 52 acres with a 9-hole golf course, a swimming pool, a baseball field, and a miniature zoo. The park has beautiful old oak trees and sandstone structures. There was a rose garden planted in 1926 which won a national contest in 1931. The City's first indoor recreation center was built in 1963 and is still in use today. A sculpture garden was placed in the park in 2006.

Vice-Chair Reber made a motion to forward the marker application for 1300 Dugan Street to the City Council for their approval. Seconded by Commissioner Sullivan, the motion was approved unanimously.

3. Senter Park (700 Mary Street)

Ms. Stubblefield gave a presentation on the City owned park built on 3.2 acres in 1946 with two baseball fields. It has been leased to the Optimist Club of Arlington for youth baseball games since 1952. Located in the HANA Neighborhood, the park has bleachers, an umpire cage and a covered water fountain. Floreen Henry spoke to the Commission and noted that the Optimist Club of Arlington was the largest club nationally for many years and is very excited to hear that the park may be recognized with a marker.

Commissioner Sweek made a motion to forward the marker application for 700 Mary Street to the City Council for their approval. Seconded by Vice-Chair Reber, the motion was approved unanimously.

VII. Work Plan Items

1. Local Marker Program

a. Arlington Heritage Memorial Grounds Marker Update

Ms. Stubblefield and Chair Rumans explained that the marker was funded through the Arlington Tomorrow Foundation in 2010 and has already been manufactured as a sign to hang on a fence. The name was originally the Arlington Historic Cemetery and that name has since been changed to Arlington Heritage Memorial

Grounds (AHMG). It was suggested that a separate dedication be held for this marker. Chair Rumans suggested the creation of a Sub-Committee consisting of members of the LPC, the Arlington Historical Society which owns the property, and the AHMG Foundation volunteers to organize the dedication ceremony.

Chaplain Rich Stoglin was present to speak about the work done by the AHMG Foundation. As the Chair of the fundraising committee for the Foundation, he noted the historic significance of the cemetery and how the City came to be.

b. Dedication Ceremonies for new Local Markers

There have been 14 markers approved so far in 2021. It was suggested that a dedication be held as one big gathering in December 2021, giving certificates of recognition to each homeowner. It was further suggested that it might become an annual event at the end of each calendar year. A Sub-Committee would be formed to handle the event.

2. Outreach

a. Talking Points Document for Commissioners (Data Sheet)

Ms. Stubblefield presented a template as suggested by Commissioner Penson to share with City Council members highlighting the achievements of the LPC each year. After discussion, it was determined that Staff would bring a DRAFT document to the next meeting.

VIII. Historic Preservation Officer Report

Ms. Stubblefield and Chair Rumans met with the CAMP Training trainers and will be receiving an overall analysis of the training to share with the Commission.

IX. Public Forum

None

X. Future Agenda Items – August 12, 2021

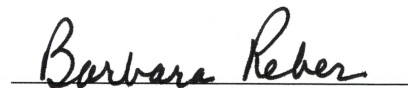
DRAFT of the LPC data sheet

Sub-Committees

CAMP Report

XI. Adjourn

Chair Rumans adjourned the meeting at 7:12 p.m.



Barbara Reber, Vice-Chair

ATTEST:

Secretary to the Commission
APPROVED this 12th day of August 2021

