

MINUTES

Landmark Preservation Commission Regular Session

Public Meeting Council Briefing Room

Thursday, February 10, 2022 6:00 p.m.

<u>Commissioners Present</u> Kristina Rumans, Chair

Absent

Staff

Barbara Reber, Vice-Chair Jason Sullivan Shirley Patterson

Shirley Patterso

O.K. Carter

Geraldine Mills

Rodrick Penson

Cheryl Donaldson

Matthew Baker

Sarah Stubblefield Cindy Harding

- I. Call to Order Chair Rumans called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
- II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Announcements

Commissioner Mills announced that there would be a Tea held in honor of Ruby Odom on Sunday, February 13, 2022, from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. at the Fielder House Museum.

IV. Approval of Minutes – January 13, 2022

Commissioner Mills moved to approve the January 13, 2022, minutes. Seconded by Vice-Chair Reber, the minutes were approved unanimously.

V. Demolition Permit Applications

1. 800 Bowie Street

Ms. Stubblefield gave a presentation on the home built in 1950 on 0.19-acres, which had no historic significance. The home is in Residential Medium Density (RM-12) zoning, which allows for single-family homes, townhomes, and/or duplexes. Vice-Chair Reber had visited the site and noted that the two-story home and a storage building would be demolished. Owner and developer, Mr. Joseph Boston from Beantown Inc., was present and stated that the current home was not in good enough condition to redevelop, and a two-story duplex would be proposed for the site if the demolition permit was granted.

Vice-Chair Reber moved to approve the release of the historic stay on 800 Bowie Street. Seconded by Commissioner Patterson, the motion was approved unanimously.

1. Local Marker Program

There was continued discussion of awarding local markers to buildings with distinct architectural styles throughout the decades with emphasis on the 1930's, 1940's, and 1950's. Commissioner Penson suggested a focus on the central area of Arlington with concentration on commercial buildings. He offered to give a presentation on his hometown of Pasadena, California, as an example for the next LPC meeting.

VII. Historic Preservation Officer Report

1. General Updates

Chair Rumans and her DAR group have received approval for participation in the Wreaths Across America Program, a program for older cemeteries in Arlington to have wreaths placed each December on the graves of Veterans not buried in National Cemeteries.

2. 2021 NAPC LPC Analysis Report Review

Ms. Stubblefield went over the Report which was provided with he left over funding from the virtual training held in June of 2021, and contained short-, medium-, and long-term recommendations based on comments from the Commission in regard to the strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and threats regarding the City of Arlington LPC. Ms. Stubblefield suggested that we focus on short-term goals and revisit the other goals at a later date.

The members were encouraged to seek out marker applicants and assist them with their research using the Fielder House Museum as well as the library as a good resource.

Commissioners will each write a brief comment of why they serve on the LPC to be presented future meetings.

In the future, Commissioners will have an opportunity to add items to agendas one week prior to posting.

The Texas Historic Commission offers free virtual training for members to access at their own pace.

VIII. Public Forum

None

IX. Future Agenda Items – March 10, 2022

Historic Preservation Month is in May

A presentation on Pasadena, CA, by Commissioner Penson

"Why I Serve" comments from each member – Ms. Stubblefield will assign monthly Update the data sheet to include new members

A Cemetery Tour

An Arbor Day or Earth Day presentation on historic trees

X. Adjourn

Chair Rumans adjourned the meeting at 7:16 p.m.

Kristina Rumans, Chair

ATTEST:

Secretary to the Commission APPROVED this 10th day of March 2022