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Richmond Historical Commission Meeting Minutes

600 Morton Street

City Commission Room

Richmond, Texas 77469

Tuesday, December 19, 2017, at 8:00 A.M.

RICHMOND HISTORICAL COMMISSION MINUTES

The Richmond Historical Commission for the City of Richmond, Texas, met in a regular meeting on Tuesday, December 19, 2017 at 8:00 a.m. Cindy Drabek, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 8:01 a.m. A quorum was present, with the following members in attendance:

Karen Bleil
Ann Council
Cindy Drabek
Becky Haas
Lonnie Meadows
Jess Stuart

Staff in attendance: Jessica Duet, Planning Director/Historic Preservation Officer; Gary Smith, City Attorney; and Lori Bownds, Building Official.

Chairperson Cindy Drabek declared the meeting open.

Chairperson Drabek introduced agenda item number A2., public comment. She asked if there were any public comments. Hearing no public comment the agenda item was closed.

Chairperson Drabek introduced agenda item B1. and B2., review and approve minutes from November 21, 2017, and announce the next Richmond Historical Commission meeting on January 16, 2018. Commissioner Bleil motioned to approve the Consent Agenda. Commissioner Meadows seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Chairperson Drabek introduced agenda item C1a., Downtown Richmond Updates. Commissioner Haas reported everything was doing excellent in downtown Richmond.

Chairperson Drabek introduced agenda item C1b., Community and Museum Events. Commissioner Stuart reported on the following events:

1. On December 19th the Fort Bend Archeological Society will meet at 7:00 pm at the Tyree House which is located on the corner of 6th and Houston Streets. It will also be the Christmas party. All are welcome.
2. From now until January 27th the Fort Bend Museum will exhibit a selection of photographs and three dimensional objects produced by the students of Fort Bend Christian Academy.
3. The YMCA is hosting their Adopt-A-Family for the holiday's program. They are accepting sponsor applications now. You can contact Kerry.spare@ymcahouston.org for more information.
4. The Sugar Land Heritage Foundation has postponed the grand opening of their new museum space to January 27th.
5. On February 1st the Richmond Police Department will begin their next Citizen Police Academy class. You can contact Lt. Lowell Neinast if you are interested.
6. Rosenberg Police Department is holding a food drive for the holidays. Rosenberg City Hall, Kroger, Fiesta, and Rosenberg Police Department are some of the food drop off locations.
7. Historic Downtown Rosenberg will have live music every Saturday night at BRVino plus an open house and art sale with live music at the Fort Bend Art Center.
8. Lamar CISD dedicated its 24th elementary school in honor of Kathleen Jerger Lindsey in the Firethorne West Subdivision in Katy. Ms. Lindsey was the first woman attorney in Fort Bend County and she was instrumental in founding the Fort Bend Public Library System. She also brought the Richmond State School to Fort Bend County.
9. From December 19th to the 23rd, the George Ranch Historical Park will have Christmas in the Park.

Chairperson Drabek introduced agenda item C2a., Certificate of Appropriateness for a sign application located at 410 Jackson Street for the Fort Bend History Association. The Historic Preservation Officer recommended approval of this Certificate of Appropriateness for "proposed sign #1" with a white and teal color palette and dark wood. Commissioner Meadows motioned to recommend approval of "proposed sign #2" with the Fort Bend History Association's branding on a light wood. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Haas. The vote was unanimous for approval.

Chairperson Drabek introduced agenda item C2b., Certificate of Appropriateness for a sign application located at 500 Houston Street for the 1850s Long-Smith Cottage. The Historic Preservation Officer recommended approval of this Certificate of

Appropriateness for both sign color palettes. Commissioner Meadows motioned to recommend approval of "proposed sign #2" with a lighter wood background with an option to change "history" to the Association's branding. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Haas. The vote was unanimous for approval.

Chairperson Drabek introduced agenda item C2c., Certificate of Appropriateness for a sign application located at corner of Liberty Street and South 5th Street for the John and Lottie Moore Home. The Historic Preservation Officer recommended approval of this Certificate of Appropriateness for both sign color palettes. Commissioner Haas motioned to recommend approval of "proposed sign #2" with a lighter wood background with an option to change "history" to the Association's branding. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Bleil. The vote was unanimous for approval.


Chairperson Drabek introduced agenda item C2d., Certificate of Appropriateness for a sign application located at 500 Houston Street for the Fort Bend Museum. The Historic Preservation Officer recommended approval of this Certificate of Appropriateness for both sign color palettes. Commissioner Meadows motioned to recommend approval of "proposed sign #2" with a lighter wood background with an option to change "history" to the Association's branding. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Bleil. The vote was unanimous for approval.

Chairperson Drabek introduced agenda item C2e., Certificate of Appropriateness for three exterior light fixtures for the Depot located at 707 Calhoun Street. The Historic Preservation Officer recommended approval of this Certificate of Appropriateness to mount three exterior light fixtures to the Depot in Decker Heritage Park. Commissioner Bleil motioned to recommend approval with the Historic Preservation Officer's recommendation. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Haas. The vote was unanimous for approval.

Chairperson Drabek introduced agenda item C2f., a reminder to the Richmond Historical Commissioners to bring their open meetings certificates to City Secretary, Ms. Laura Scarlato. Ms. Duet stated Ms. Scarlato will take the certificate in person or by email.

There being no further business to be brought before the Richmond Historical Commission, Commissioner Council motioned for the meeting to be adjourned. Commissioner Bleil seconded and the Richmond Historical Commission was adjourned at 8:42 a.m.

Approved:



Cindy Drabek, Richmond Historical Commission Chair