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Richmond Historical Commission Meeting Minutes

City Commission Room (In-Person and Zoom) 600 Morton Street, Richmond, Texas 77469

Tuesday, August 16, 2022, at 8:00 a.m.

The Richmond Historical Commission met in a regular meeting on Tuesday, August 16, 2022, at 8:00 a.m. Chairperson Edwards, called the meeting to order. A quorum was present, with the following members in attendance:

Carol Edwards – Chair Lonnie Meadows – Vice Chair Payton McGee Jackie Atkinson Claire Rogers

Staff in attendance: Mason Garcia, Historic Preservation Officer (HPO); Helen Landaverde, Planner II; Scott Fajkus, Building Official; Jason Bartos, Street Superintendent; Gary Smith, City Attorney; Brittany Mullings, Public Works Executive Secretary.

Chairperson Edwards declared the meeting open.

Chairperson Edwards introduced agenda item number A2., Recite the Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. Flag and Texas Flag. Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. Flag and Texas Flag was recited.

Chairperson Edwards introduced agenda item number A3., Public comments. She asked if there were any public comments. Hearing no public comment, the agenda item was closed.

Chairperson Edwards introduced consent agenda items B1-B2.

- B1. Review and approve minutes from June 21, 2022, regular meeting.
- B2. Announce the next Richmond Historical Commission meeting to be held on September 20, 2022, at 8:00 a.m.

Commission Member Rogers moved to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded by Commission Member McGee. The vote for approval was unanimous.

Chairperson Edwards introduced regular agenda item C1a., Community and Museum Events Update.

- Fort Bend Historical Commission meeting will be held at the Gus George Academy on August 16, 2022, at 3:00 p.m. The guest speaker will be Albert Joe Davis with the Masonic Lodge.
- Fort Bend Archeological Society has a meeting at the Fort Bend Museum on August 16,

- 2022, at 7:00 p.m. The guest speaker will be Dr. Jon Lohse, he will be speaking on the book Calf Creek Horizon.
- Fort Bend Historical Commission is hosting the Celebration of the 200th Anniversary of the Fort in the Bend, Museum Crawl, and History Fair at Lamar Homestead Park on September 10, 2022, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
- The Fort Bend Literacy Council will be hosting the Great Grown-Up Spelling Bee at the Quail Valley Golf Course, on September 15, 2022, at 6:00 p.m.
- There will be a new exhibit at the Fort Bend Museum on the History of Carry Nation, it opens September 23, 2022.
- A community bike ride will start at Jackson & Seventh Street on September 2, 2022, from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. There will be refreshments and prizes.

Chairperson Edwards introduced regular agenda item C2., Certificate of appropriateness for proposed railing along a portion of the east of 3rd Street, sidewalk. Mr. Garcia reported the subject site is along the eastern side of 3rd Street bounded by Morton Street to the south and South Calhoun Street to the north. The City is proposing additional railing along a raised portions of sidewalk on the easter side of the street. The proposed railing will help ensure public safety as the sidewalk is 21 inches above the adjoining sidewalk. Staff is recommending approval for the certificate of appropriateness with the condition a commercial building permit application and plans are submitted to ensure the plans meet all requirements of the Unified Development Code. Commission Member Atkinson made a motion to approve the proposed railing along the east 3rd Street sidewalk. The motion was seconded by Commission Member McGee. The vote for approval was unanimous.

Chairperson Edwards introduced regular agenda item C3., Certificate of appropriateness for proposed building façade improvement at Morton St, commercial building located at 210 Morton Street. Mr. Garcia stated the Catapult Art Studio is proposing exterior painting, the paint colors are within the approved color palate of the Historic Design Guidelines. Staff is recommending approval of the certificate of appropriateness for the exterior painting. He mentioned any proposed signage must come before the Commission and obtain approval prior to installation. Commission Member Rogers made a motion to approve the proposed building façade improvements at 210 Morton Street. The motion was seconded by Commission Member Meadows. The vote for approval was unanimous.

Chairperson Edwards introduced regular agenda item C4., Excuse from attendance at regular Richmond Historical Commission Meeting. Commission Member Meadows stated he will be unable to attend next month's meeting. Commission Member Atkinson moved to approve Commission Member Meadows absence. The motion was seconded by Commission Member McGee. The vote for approval was unanimous.

Chairperson Edwards introduced regular agenda item C5., Consider taking action on request for future agenda items. Commission Member McGee asked for an update on the proposed mural at Unwind. Mr. Garcia stated he is waiting on the required documents to be submitted for review. This will be an item that will have to have public notice 10 days prior to the meeting. This item should be on next month agenda.

There being no further business to be brought before the Richmond Historical Commission, Chairperson Edwards adjourned the meeting at 8:20 a.m.

Approved

Carol Edwards, Chair

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