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Richmond Historical Commission Meeting Minutes

600 Morton Street
City Commission Room
Richmond, Texas 77469
Tuesday, January 17, 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, January 17, 2017 at 8:00 a.m. Cindy Drabek, Chairwoman, called the meeting to order at 8:05 a.m. A quorum was present, with the following members in attendance:

Ann Council
Cindy Drabek
Lonnie Meadows
Claire Rogers (non-voting)
Jess Stuart (non-voting)

Absent: Karen Bleil and Becky Haas.

Staff in attendance: Terri Vela, City Manager, Lori Bownds, Building Official, and Gary Smith, City Attorney.

Chairperson Cindy Drabek declared the meeting open.

Chairperson Drabek introduced agenda item number A2., public comment. Laurel Wendt addressed the Commission about implementation of the 1994/1996 parking plan and other options to improve customer parking on Morton Street.

Chairperson Drabek introduced agenda item B1., review and approve minutes from December 20, 2016. The motion was presented by Commissioner Stuart to approve the minutes. Commissioner Meadows seconded the motion. The vote was two "ayes," no "nays" and one "abstention" for approval (Commissioner Council was absent at the

December 20, 2016 meeting).

Chairperson Drabek introduced agenda item B2., announce the next Richmond Historical Commission meeting on February 21, 2017, at 8:00 a.m.

Chairperson Drabek introduced agenda item C1a., Downtown Richmond updates. Commissioner Becky Haas was absent and no report was given.

Chairperson Drabek introduced agenda item C1b., Community and Museum Events. Commissioner Rogers reported the following events: January 17, Fort Bend Archeological Society meeting at Gus George Academy, 7:00 p.m., Diocletian; January 18, Historic Richmond Association meeting, 5:30 p.m. at Richmond PD; January 19, Friends of the Fort Bend County Historical Commission meeting, 3:00 p.m.; January 22, Fort Bend County Museum Association Annual meeting, 2:00 p.m. at Fort Bend Commissioners Court, followed by a reception at the Moore Home at 3:00 p.m.; January 26, Lamar Day at the Morton Cemetery, 10:30 a.m.; January 28, Fort Bend Museum Docent training, 10 a.m. at Fort Bend Museum; and February 2, Catholic Charities "Mission of Love" fundraiser honoring Dee Koch at Safari Texas.

Chairperson Drabek introduced agenda item C2a., Historic Preservation Officer's report on Wessendorff Park trails. Terri Vela, City Manager, and Gary Smith, City Attorney, reported that the construction of the Wessendorff Park trails will begin on January 23rd and that the plan will coordinate with the Morton Cemetery improvements to the access from Jane Long Street.

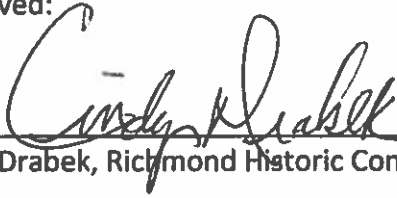
Chairperson Drabek introduced agenda item C2b., Historic Preservation Officer's report on update of the UDC to include the amendments to the Historic Preservation ordinance. Ms. Duet was not present and no report was given.

Chairperson Drabek introduced agenda item C2c., Historic Preservation Officer's report on the requested Certificate of Appropriateness for a façade color change for the structure located at 611 Jackson Street. City Attorney Smith reported that the owner of the building at 611 Jackson Street had applied to paint the brick "incredible white" and the metal soffit and parapet "greenblack." Building Official Lori Bownds exhibited samples of the paint colors. The building is located in the historic district but the building is not historic. The Historic Preservation Officer's report stated that the paint color will not disrupt the character of the historic district and the information submitted in the commercial construction permit is in compliance with the Historic District Guidelines and the Unified Development Code. Commissioner Meadows moved approval of the Certificate of Appropriateness. Commissioner Stuart seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

There being no further business to be brought before the Richmond Historical

Commission, Chairwoman Drabek adjourned the meeting at 8:20 a.m.

Approved:

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Cindy Drabek", is written over a horizontal line.

Cindy Drabek, Richmond Historic Commission Chair