

MEETING DATE: September 4, 2024

TITLE:

Consider and act on authorizing the City Manager to negotiate with the Bastrop County Historical Society for the storage of building materials on city-owned property from the demolition of the building known as the “German Casino”, at 1306 Farm Street, Bastrop, Texas; authorizing the City Manager to proceed with all other matters pertaining to said storage; providing for severability; providing for repeal; providing an effective date; and providing for proper notice and meeting.

AGENDA ITEM SUBMITTED BY:

Submitted by: Sylvia Carrillo-Trevino, ICMA-CM, CPM, City Manager

BACKGROUND/HISTORY:

On November 12th, 2023, the Historic building known as the “German Casino,” located at 1306 Farm Street, on the northeast corner of Farm and Fayette Street, collapsed. This small one-story brick structure originally served as a casino hall, later went on to also be utilized as a German social and performance hall and has been a part of Bastrop’s history since 1867.



Since the structure's collapse, City Staff has coordinated with the site's property owners and the Bastrop County Historical Society regarding the mitigation and relocation of the historic building materials. The Bastrop County Historical Society intends to salvage the bricks and any reusable lumber with the hopes of reusing the materials in the future.

The Bastrop County Historical Society has asked the City of Bastrop to partner with its efforts to preserve this piece of Bastrop's history by allowing them to store the salvaged bricks and lumber on city-owned property. The specific storage location(s) will be identified at a later date, and a resolution will be brought back before the Council at the next available meeting date to formalize this agreement.

FISCAL IMPACT:

N/A

RECOMMENDATION:

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ATTACHMENTS:

1. Request from the Bastrop County Historical
2. History of the Site
3. Location Map