

HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION MEETING

MEETING MINUTES

December 18, 2024

The City of Bastrop Historic Landmark Commission met Wednesday, December 18, 2024, at 6:00 PM in the Bastrop City Council Chambers, 1311 Chestnut Street, Bastrop, Texas.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

Commissioners:

Samuel Bennett	Present
Lisa Laky, Vice-Chair	Present
Susan Long	Present
Blake Kaiser, Chair	Present
Gary Moss	Present
Janean Whitten	Absent
Cheryl Long	Present

City Council Liaison:

Cynthia Meyer	Present
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Staff:

James Cowey	Present
Melissa Gustafson	Present
Sylvia Carrillo	Absent

2. CITIZEN COMMENTS

There were no citizen comments.

3. ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements.

4. ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION

- 4A. Consider action to approve meeting minutes from November 20, 2024, Historic Landmark Commission Regular Meeting.

Melissa Gustafson, Technician in Development Services

Commissioner Gary Moss made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from the November 20, 2024, Historic Landmark Commission Regular Meeting. Commissioner Samuel Bennett seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

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- 4B. Consider action on a Certificate of Appropriateness for a sign on a commercial building within the Bastrop Commercial National Register of Historic District, located at 1018 Main Street, being .14 acres out of Building Block 8, West of Water Street within the City Limits of Bastrop.

Presented by: James Cowey, Director of Development Services

Commissioner Gary Moss made a motion to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness with no changes. Vice-Chair Lisa Laky seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

5. UPDATES

- 5A. Updates

James Cowey, Director of Development Services, extended the invitation to attend to the Commissioners for the “Undertold Historical Marker Unveiling Ceremony” on Monday, January 13, 2025 from 1:30 – 2:45 PM at the Bastrop Public Library. This event will honor the first female engineer in Texas, who worked at TXDOT and lived in Bastrop.

James Cowey, Director of Development Services, addressed the issue of the January 1, 2025 meeting being on New Year’s Day. Commissioners discussed the issue and decided if there were no items to present to them for January, that the meeting could be skipped for January, and they could meet again on February 5, 2025. If, however, there is something that needs to be addressed by the Historic Landmark Commission for January, perhaps they could meet on January 8, 2025.

- 5B. Items or topics requested by Historic Landmark Commission for future agendas.

Blake Kaiser, Chair, requested an update on the Carpenter House Renovations.

Samuel Bennett, Commissioner, asked if there were any protections in place for historic plaques, to keep them from being removed and thus allowing the historic structure to be destroyed.

Cynthia Meyer, City Council Liaison, asked that staff provide an update to the Commissioners regarding Short Term Rentals.

Cynthia Meyer, City Council Liaison, requested that staff keep the Commissions informed of any Historic related events that may occur within the City.

6. ADJOURNMENT

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Commissioner Gary Moss made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:14 PM. Vice Chair Lisa Laky seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, and the meeting adjourned.

Blake Kaiser
Commission Chair

Lisa Laky
Commission Vice-Chair