

Historic Preservation Commission

Regular Meeting Minutes June 4, 2020 at 4:00 p.m.

A Regular Meeting of the Historic Preservation Commission of Dripping Springs, Texas was held Thursday, June 4, 2020 beginning at 4:00 p.m., in the Council Chambers located at City Hall, 511 Mercer Street, Dripping Springs, Texas.

I. VIDEOCONFERENCE MEETING

This meeting will be held via videoconference and the public is encouraged and welcome to participate. Public comment may be given during the videoconference by joining the meeting using the information below. Public comment for this meeting may also be submitted to the City Secretary at acunningham@cityofdrippingsprings.com, no later than 1:00 p.m., Thursday, June 4, 2020.

The Historic Preservation Commission respectfully requests that all microphones and webcams be disabled unless you are a member of the Commission. City staff, consultants and presenters please enable your microphone and webcam when presenting to the Commission.

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II. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Commission Members present were:
Bruce Lewis, Chair
Emilie Kopp, Vice Chair
Ashley Bobel
Dean Erickson
Minnie Glosson-Needham
Jean Reimers (arrived at 4:05 p.m.)

Commission member absent was:

Melissa Starr

City Staff/Appointed Officials present were:

Michelle Fischer, City Administrator Andrea Cunningham, City Secretary Amanda Padilla, Senior Planner Keenan Smith, Historic Preservation Consultant Robyn Miga, City Planning Consultant Amber Allen, Architexas Larry Irsik, Architexas

With a quorum of the Commission present, Chair Lewis called the meeting to order at 4:02 pm.

III. PRESENTATION OF CITIZENS

A member of the public who desires to address the Commission regarding any item on an agenda for an open meeting may do so at presentation of citizens before an item or at a public hearing for an item during the Commission's consideration of that item. Citizens wishing to discuss matters not contained within the current agenda may do so, but only during the time allotted for presentation of citizens. Speakers are allowed two (2) minutes to speak during presentation of citizens or during each public hearing. Speakers may not cede or pool time. Members of the public requiring the assistance of a translator will be given twice the amount of time as a member of the public who does not require the assistance of a translator to address the Commission. It is the request of the Commission that members of the public wishing to speak on item(s) on the agenda with a noticed Public Hearing hold their comments until the item(s) are presented for consideration. Speakers are encouraged to sign in. Anyone may request a copy of the City's policy on presentation of citizens from the city secretary. By law no action may be taken during Presentations of Citizens.

No one spoke during the Presentation of Citizens.

IV. MINUTES

A. Discuss and consider approval of the May 7, 2020 Historic Preservation Commission regular meeting minutes.

A motion was made by Vice Chair Kopp to approve the May 7, 2020 Historic Preservation regular meeting minutes. Commissioner Bobel seconded the motion which carried unanimously, 5-0.

Commissioner Reimers was not present for this vote.

V. BUSINESS

A. Presentation and discussion regarding the Stephenson Building Feasibility Study. Architexas

Kennan Smith, Historic Preservation Consultant, Larry Irsik and Amber Allen, Architexas, presented this item, the presentation is on file.

B. Update, discussion and possible action regarding the Downtown Parking Project.

Robyn Miga, Planning Consultant, provided an update to the Commission.

Chair Lewis, Commissioner Erickson, and Commissioner Kopp wanted different options on parking surfaces and thought the price was too high.

The Commission collectively agreed that they would like the City to pursue a cheaper option for the Fee-in-Lieu.

A motion was made by Commissioner Erickson to recommend that City Council deny the \$6500 Fee-in-Lieu and that they explore other options of surfacing to provide a cheaper fee-in-lieu. Commissioner Glosson-Needham seconded the motion which carried unanimously, 6-0.

C. Public hearing and consideration of approval regarding COA2020-0004: Application for Certificate of Appropriateness for a Hay Barn located at 346 Mercer Street, Dripping Springs, TX 78620.

Applicant: Terry Polk

1. Presentation

No presentation was given.

2. Staff Report

Keenan Smith Presented that staff report, which is on file.

3. Public Hearing

No one spoke during the public hearing.

4. Certificate of Appropriateness

Commissioner Erickson believes that the Rippy properties are crucial projects for the revitalization of the Mercer Street Historic District.

A motion was made by Commissioner Erickson to approve COA2020-0004: Application for Certificate of Appropriateness for a Hay Barn located at 346 Mercer Street, Dripping Springs, TX 78620 with Staff recommendations. Commissioner Glosson-Needham seconded the motion which carried unanimously, 6 to 0.

VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Parking Lot Improvements Committee

Commissioners Dean Erickson and Minnie Glosson-Needham

No update was given.

B. Landscape Improvements Committee

Commissioners Minnie Glosson-Needham and Jean Reimers

No update was given.

C. Brochure / Printing & Website Committee

Vice Chair Emilie Kopp

Commissioner Kopp provided an update on the printing of the Mercer Street Historic District Brochures.

D. Historic District Signage & Banner Committee

Commissioners Melissa Starr and Ashley Bobel

Commissioner Bobel provided an update to the Commission.

Chair Lewis appointed Vice Chair Kopp to the Historic District Signage and Banner Committee.

VII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Historic Preservation Commission for the City of Dripping Springs has the right to adjourn into executive session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any matter as authorized by Texas Government Code Sections 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney), 551.072 (Deliberations about Real Property), 551.073 Deliberations about Gifts and Donations), 551.074 Personnel Matters), 551.076 (Deliberations about Security Devices), and 551.086 (Economic Development). The Historic Preservation Commission for the City of Dripping Springs may act on any item listed in Executive Session in Open Session or move any item from Executive Session to Open Session for action.

The Commission did not meet in Executive Session.

VIII. UPCOMING MEETINGS

A. Historic Preservation Commission Meetings

July 9, 2020 at 4:00 p.m. August 6, 2020 at 4:00 p.m. September 3, 2020 at 4:00 p.m.

B. City Council & Board of Adjustment Meetings

June 9, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. (6:00 Workshop / 6:30 Regular Meeting) June 16, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. July 14, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. (6:00 Workshop / 6:30 Regular Meeting) July 21, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

IX. ADJOURN

A motion was made by Commissioner Bobel to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Erickson seconded the motion which carried unanimously, 6 to 0.

This regular meeting adjourned at 5:15 p.m.