



STAFF REPORT
City of Dripping Springs
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Submitted By: Diana Boone, City Secretary

Council Meeting Date: May 19, 2026

Agenda Item Wording: **Approval of the appointment of Pamela Weinhammer and the reappointment of of Dean Erickson and Gwyn Sommerfeld to the Historic Preservation Commission for a (2) two year term ending June 30, 2028, and the reappointment of Dean Erickson as chair for a (1) one year term ending June 30, 2028.**

Agenda Item Requestor: Michelle Fischer, City Administrator & Commission Liaison

Summary/Background: The Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) is a 7 member commission tasked with making recommendations to City Council regarding Historic Preservation Items including but not limited to designation of historic places, preparation of historic district guidelines and review of concept site plans with all historic zoning districts. The HPC is also responsible for the review and approval or denial of Certificates of Appropriateness in the Historic Districts.

Membership

The city council shall endeavor, to the extent reasonably available, to appoint members from the following categories:

- (A) Architect, planner or design professional;
- (B) Historian;
- (C) Licensed real estate broker or appraiser;
- (D) Attorney at law;
- (E) Owner of a landmark property or property in a historic district;
- (F) Member of the Hays County Historical Society;
- (G) Archaeologist;
- (H) Geographer;
- (I) Anthropologist; and/or
- (J) Member of the planning and zoning commission

There are three (3) members with terms expiring on June 30, 2026. Two members have requested to be reappointed to the commission, including the chair. One (1) member, Haley Hunt, did not seek reappointment. The commission chair and vice chair were sent current applications and interviewed 2 candidates. Of the 2 candidates interviewed, they are recommending Pam Weinhammer. Application is in packet.

Current Members

Chair, Dean Erickson	06/30/2026	HD Business Owner
Vice Chair, Ashley Bobel	06/30/2027	Real Estate Broker
Delbert Bassett	06/30/2027	Hays Co. Historical Commission
Richard Moore	06/30/2027	Architect
Haley Hunt	06/30/2026	HD Business Owner
Steve Mallet	06/30/2027	HD Property Owner
Gwyn Sommerfeld	06/30/2026	HD Property Owner

**Commission
Recommendations:**

Chair Erickson recommends the appointment of Pam Weinhammer

**Recommended
Council Actions:**

Staff recommends approval.

Next Steps/Schedule:

1. Update website
2. Send Welcome Email