



STAFF REPORT
City of Dripping Springs
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Submitted By: Andrea Cunningham, City Secretary

Council Meeting Date: July 26, 2022

Agenda Item Wording: **Discuss and consider Appointments to the Historic Preservation Commission for one (1) member for a term ending June 30, 2023, and three (3) members for terms ending June 30, 2024.**

Agenda Item Requestor: Andrea Cunningham, City Secretary

Summary/Background: The Historic Preservation Commission is a seven-member advisory commission responsible for making recommendations to the city council regarding the preservation of landmarks and historic districts within the city.

Commission members are appointed by the City Council at-large, and preference is given to applicants that have an interest in the historic traditions of the City, and experience in the preservation of the historical character of the City. Specifically, the City Council seeks applicants from the following categories professions and interests: Architecture, History, Real Estate, Attorney at Law, Historic Landmark Property Owner, Archaeology, Geography, Anthropology, Planning & Zoning Commission member.

To the extent possible, the City Council shall endeavor to appoint residents, business owners or property owners from within the city limits or extraterritorial jurisdiction.

Current Members

NR: No Residency – lives outside City Limits and ETJ

Member	Term	Residency	Appointment Category
Dean Erickson, Chair	6/30/22	ETJ	Historic Business Owner
Ashley Bobel	6/30/23	NR	Realtor
Steve Mallett	6/30/23	City	Historic Property Owner
Minnie Glosson-Needham	6/30/22	ETJ	Historian
Nichole Prescott	6/30/23	ETJ	Historic Preservationist
Vacancy 1	6/30/22		
Vacancy 2	6/30/23		

Vacancies and Applicants

There are two (2) members with terms that expire June 30, 2022, and two (2) current vacancies.

Applications for appointment/reappointment were due May 31, 2022, and reviewed applicants not qualified were notified and removed from the applicant pool. Current members Dean Erickson and Minnie Glossoon Needham have requested reappointment for another term.

Three applications were received:

- Delbert Bassett, ETJ Resident and Hays Historical Society Member
- Haley Hunt, No Residency and Historical District Business Owner
- Lee Sawyer, No Residency and Local Business Owner

Commission Chair Recommendations:

Chair Dean Erickson recommends the reappointment of Minnie Glossoon-Needham and himself for terms ending June 30, 2024, and the appointment of Haley Hunt for a term ending July 30, 2024 and Delbert Bassett for a term ending July 30, 2023.

Recommended Council Actions:

Staff recommends approval of appointments as recommended by Chair Dean Erickson.

Attachments:

1. HPC Chair Recommendation
2. Reappointment Requests
3. Submitted Applications

Next Steps/Schedule:

1. Inform applicants of Council decision
2. Update roster and website
3. Send welcome letter and calendar invites
4. Introduction email to Commission