

Draft Historic Preservation Commission Goals 03/06/2023

Review designation criteria and the delineation of the current historic districts.

Recommend changes to the designation criteria if needed and recommend changes to the district boundaries if warranted.

Develop a survey of historic, architectural, and cultural sites that are not located in an historic district.

Recommend designation of resources outside the historic districts for landmark designation.

Approve the creation of certificates, plaques, or markers and recommend landmarks to receive them.

Digitize historic site brochure. Create descriptions for additional sites.

Review regulations for certificates of appropriateness and recommend revisions.

Consider revisions regarding administrative approval of a Certificate of Appropriateness for some types of construction, reconstruction, alteration, restoration, and material change in the paint color, light fixtures, signs, sidewalks, fences, steps, paving, or other exterior elements visible from a public right-of-way.

Review Certificate of Appropriateness criteria; consider raising ordinary maintenance from \$10,000.

Consider process and requirements for Certificates of Appropriateness when a disaster damages or destroys a landmark or property within an historic district.

Become familiar with tax abatement programs and consider recommending a local one.

Propose and approve banners on Mercer Street that promote our heritage and recognize historical events, persons, and places of importance.

Identify historic preservation training for Commissioners. Example: Texas Historical Commission's Real Places Annual Conference.

Apply to the Texas Historical Commission to become a Certified Local Government Community.

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Review current incentives for landmarks/properties in historic districts and recommend changes.

Support renovation of Stephenson Building.

Support Old Fitzhugh Road Improvement Project.

Support Downtown Parking Project.

Support Downtown Restrooms Project.

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