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Richmond Historical Commission Meeting Minutes

600 Morton Street
City Commission Room
Richmond, Texas 77469
Tuesday, September 20, 2016, at 8:00 A.M.

RICHMOND HISTORICAL COMMISSION MINUTES

The Richmond Historical Commission for the City of Richmond, Texas, met in a regular meeting on Tuesday, September 20, 2016 at 8:00 a.m. Cindy Drabek, Chairwoman, called the meeting to order at 8:01 a.m. A quorum was present, with the following members in attendance:

Ann Council
Cindy Drabek
Becky Haas

Chairwoman Cindy Drabek declared the meeting open.

Chairwoman Cindy Drabek introduced agenda item number A2., public comment. She asked if there were any public comments. Hearing no public comment the agenda item was closed.

Chairwoman Cindy Drabek introduced agenda item B1., review and approve minutes from August 16, 2016. The motion was presented by Commissioner Council and seconded by Commissioner Haas for approval. The vote was three "ayes" and no "nays" for approval.

Chairwoman Cindy Drabek introduced agenda item C1., Economic Development Update from Executive Director, Mr. Rob Tobias. Mr. Tobias was not in attendance so Chairwoman Drabek proceeded to the next agenda item.

Chairwoman Cindy Drabek introduced agenda item C2a., Historic District Properties, Non-Compliance. Commissioner Becky Haas stated she was pleased with the recent

efforts of sign removal.

Chairwoman Cindy Drabek introduced agenda item C2b., Downtown Richmond. Commissioner Becky Haas reported that the car show was cancelled and expressed disappointment for all the shop owners for not having much notice.

Chairwoman Cindy Drabek introduced agenda item C3a., Historic Preservation Officer's report on the Wayfinding Sign Program update, Ms. Jessica Duet.

Ms. Duet stated that the contract with National Sign Plazas will be signed on October 1, 2016. After the contract is signed we will move forward with stakeholder meetings. Those meetings will consist of persons from the Richmond Historic Commission, Planning and Zoning Commission, Economic Development Corporation, and City Commission. The meeting will be taking place in October.

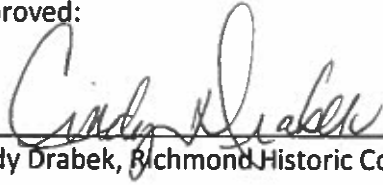
Chairwoman Cindy Drabek introduced agenda item C3b., update on demolition permit for 212 Preston Street. Ms. Duet stated that the owner had picked up the demolition permit after the RHC had granted approval. Ms. Duet further stated that a volunteer organization will be demolishing the structure and as of September 19, 2016, the structure was still standing.

Chairwoman Cindy Drabek introduced agenda item C3c., review of RHC reappointments and position terms. Ms. Duet stated that Chairwoman Drabek and Commissioner Haas both need to submit a letter of reappointment to the City Secretary before the October 17, 2016, City Commission meeting if they choose to be reappointed again by the City Commission. Ms. Duet also stated that the text amendment to the UDC for the RHC appointment language will be heard at the October 17, 2016, City Commission meeting. At that time Commissioner Beard's vacant position can be filled. Ms. Duet also stated that both Commissioner Council and Commissioner Meadows positions were reappointed last year with their terms ending September 2017. She stated the vacant position is place 1; Commissioner Meadows is place 2; Chairwoman Drabek is place 3; Commissioner Council is place 4; and Commissioners Haas is place 5.

Chairwoman Cindy Drabek introduced agenda item C4., proposed Unified Development Code (UDC) amendment language for economic hardship for Landmarks, Mr. Gary Smith. Mr. Smith explained this is similar to a Certificate of Appropriateness for demolition permit. Chairwoman Drabek asked if this would be heard before City Commission next month. Mr. Smith explained it has to be heard before Planning and Zoning Commission first. Ms. Duet stated it will be brought to Planning and Zoning Commission at their November meeting, specifically November 7, 2016.

There being no further business to be brought before the Richmond Historical Commission, Chairwoman Drabek adjourned the meeting at 8:17 a.m.

Approved:

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Cindy Drabek", is written over a solid horizontal line.

Cindy Drabek, Richmond Historic Commission Chair