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Richmond Historical Commission Meeting Minutes

600 Morton Street

City Commission Room

Tuesday, July 19, 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, July 19, 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
Lonnie Meadows
Claire Rogers (non-voting)
Jess Stuart (non-voting)

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 June 28, 2016. The motion was presented by Commissioner Meadows and seconded by Commissioner Council for approval. The vote was three "ayes" and no "nays" for approval.

Chairwoman Cindy Drabek moved agenda item C1., Economic Development Update from Executive Director, to be heard after agenda item C3b.

Chairwoman Cindy Drabek introduced agenda item C2a., Historic District Properties, Non-Compliance. Mrs. Becky Haas stated there was a property located at either 412 or

408 South 9th Street where a wooden fence was being constructed. She requested from staff if a permit application had been filed at either address. Staff indicated that a permit had not been filed and staff would direct personnel appropriately to the situation. Mrs. Haas also spoke about code compliance issues in the historic district such as painting, windows, roofing, etc. Staff stated that beyond general code enforcement, the historic district does not have the power to enforce stricter regulations. Mrs. Haas stated that she will bring up getting stricter code enforcement regulations in the historic district with the City Commission.

Chairwoman Cindy Drabek introduced agenda item C2b., Community and Museum Events. Mrs. Claire Rogers reported that the Archeology Society will be meeting at the Gus George Academy tonight; Historic Richmond Association meeting at the Fire Department changed to July 25th at 6:30 pm; Murder and Moore at the Fort Bend Museum on July 29 – 30; Chamber in the Bend at the Wells Fargo in Rosenberg on August 2nd; Pete Olson update at the Safari on August 5th at 7:30 am; and Texas State Historical Association Towns Representation of Texas Presidents on August 13th.

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 second reading took place at the July 18th meeting with the City Commission. The funds were now allocated for the project. The next step is to work with National Sign Plazas to sign a contract. Ms. Duet reiterated she will bring updates about the wayfinding sign program to the Commission as it progresses.

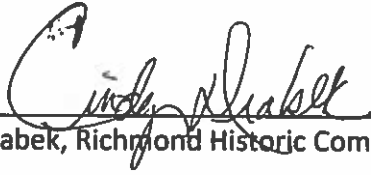
Chairwoman Cindy Drabek introduced agenda item C3b., Historic Preservation Officer's report on proposed UDC Richmond Historic Commission Membership Language, Ms. Jessica Duet.

Mr. Gary Smith, City Attorney, provided an explanation of the UDC text to the Commission. Ms. Duet stated the public hearing for the agenda item will be held on August 1, 2016, with the Planning and Zoning Commission. Mr. Smith stated the new text allows four members to live in the City Limits and one member to live in the City Limits or ETJ; it simplifies the resignation process from the Commission; the language for a quorum remains the same in that a vacant seat does not count against you; and places are numbered one through five. A comment was made by the Commission that the text identified five members instead of seven (Subsection B1.). Another comment was suggested to identify the second non-voting member of the Commission as the Fort Bend County Museum Association Executive Director or designee.

Chairwoman Cindy Drabek introduced agenda item C1., Economic Development Update from Executive Director. No update was given.

There being no further business to be brought before the Richmond Historical Commission, Cindy Drabek motioned for the meeting to be adjourned. The meeting was adjourned at 8:38 a.m.

Approved:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Cindy Drabek", written over a horizontal line.

Cindy Drabek, Richmond Historic Commission Chair