

MINUTES
HISTORIC PRESERVATION ADVISORY BOARD MEETING
City Hall, 385 South Goliad, Rockwall, Texas
Council Chambers
June 15, 2017
6:00 P.M.

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Vice-Chairman Dick Clark at 6:09 p.m. Board members present were Dick Clark, Mike Mishler, Carolyn Francisco, Beverly Bowlin, Jay Odom and Maurice Thompson. Chairman Daniel Nichols was absent from the meeting. Staff members present were Planning Director, Ryan Miller, and Senior Planner, David Gonzales.

II. DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Update from Historic Preservation Officer (HPO) regarding historic projects.
 - a) Update Regarding the Bankhead Highway Signage
 - b) Update Regarding the Demolition of the Old Water Pump House (611 E. Rusk Street)
 - c) Update Regarding the Rescinding of *Ordinance No. 08-15 (Rescinding the Landmark status for the Historic Spafford House [902 N. Goliad Street])*

Senior Planner, David Gonzales, gave a brief update concerning the historic projects stating that in regards to the Bankhead Highway Signage, staff met with the Engineering Department who is over the City's roadways and they've ordered those signs to be fabricated and as soon as there is a specific date of when those will be placed staff will let the Board know. In regards to the Demolition of the Old Water Pump House, the 60 day delay will be expiring on the 19th of June. During the 60 day period staff had advertised in the newspaper the public hearing for that as well as the ability for any interested parties that were interested in preserving the property to notify staff and then forward that information on to the property owner. Staff did receive one interested party and that information was forwarded to the property owner, however it is not known if there has been contact between them at this time, but if and when staff receives any additional information concerning that they will update the Board.

Mr. Gonzales went on to state that in regards to the rescinding of the Landmark status for the Historic Spafford House it went to the Planning and Zoning Commission where the Commission unanimously forwarded a recommendation to the City Council which will meet for the public hearing on June 19th.

Mr. Gonzales advised the Board staff was available for questions regarding any of the items.

Board member Odom asked concerning the Pump House that was discussed at a previous meeting, if after the 60 days no one takes any action, would no vote have to be taken for the Certificate of Appropriateness which the applicant had requested. Mr. Gonzales explained that the Certificate of Appropriateness was approved during that previous meeting when it was brought forward before the Board and part of that Certificate of Appropriateness was to delay for 60 days as opposed to issuing a demolition permit to the property owner, Robert Proctor, the day following that meeting. The Board recommended to staff to move forward with a 60 day delay in the interest of seeing if there were any interested parties to come forward to help in the preservation of the structure and that would be something between the property owner and anybody

56 who would be interested in the property whether it be a sale or helping in preserving it,
57 the City would not get involved in that portion of that.

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59 Mr. Gonzales added that the City could issue the demolition permit if there is no
60 interested party in preserving the structure the demolition would have to occur no later
61 than 120 days after the demolition permit is issued.

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63 Board member Odom asked if new additional information pertaining to the property and
64 its historical significance were to be brought forward, could that delay the demolition.
65 Mr. Miller explained that there is nothing that the Board can do to prevent the property
66 owner from moving forward with the demolition, the vote the Board took previously was
67 to delay the permit for 60 days and to direct staff to attempt to find any interested
68 parties to help preserve the structure, with that direction staff posted the ad in the
69 newspaper. General discussion took place concerning the vote that was taken for the
70 Certificate of Appropriateness and approved and what will take place once the 60 day
71 delay expires. Mr. Miller added that the subject property is zoned Single Family and will
72 remain Single Family.

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75 III. ADJOURNMENT

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77 Vice-Chairman Clark adjourned the meeting at 6:25 p.m. and announced that the Board will move
78 to the Work Session.

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81 IV. WORK SESSION

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83 Historic Preservation Advisory Board (HPAB) Work Session

84 A work session will be held in the City Council meeting room immediately following the adjournment of
85 the June 15, 2017 Historic Preservation Advisory Board (HPAB) meeting for the purpose of discussing
86 the Historic District Guidelines and creating a route for a walking tour of the Historic District, Downtown
87 (DT) District and Planned Development District 50 (PD-50).

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91 PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE HISTORICAL PRESERVATION ADVISORY BOARD OF THE CITY
92 OF ROCKWALL, TEXAS, THIS THE 15 DAY OF June 2017.

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97 DANIEL NICHOLS, CHAIRMAN

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101 ATTEST: LAURA MORALES, PLANNING COORDINATOR
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