

HISTORIC PRESERVATION ADVISORY BOARD

DECEMBER 3, 2020

The Historic Preservation Advisory Board of the City of McKinney, Texas met in regular session in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building on Thursday, December 3, 2020 at 5:30 p.m.

Board Members Present: Chairperson Lance Hammond, Vice-Chairperson Betty Petkovsek, Ian Beirnes, Johanna Friedel, Nina Ringley, and Alternate J. Eric Schulze

Board Member Absent: Carl R. Smith and Chris Tovar

Staff Present: Assistant Director of Planning Mark Doty, Historic Preservation Officer Guy Giersch, and Administrative Assistant Terri Ramey

There were five guests present.

Chairperson Hammond called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. after determining a quorum was present.

Chairperson Hammond called for Public Comments for non-public hearing agenda items. There were no public comments.

Chairperson Hammond called for consideration of the Consent Agenda. The Board unanimously approved the motion by Vice-Chairperson Petkovsek, seconded by Board Member Friedel, to approve the following consent item, with a vote of 6-0-0:

20-1058 Minutes of the Historic Preservation Advisory Board Regular Meeting of November 5, 2020.

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

Chairperson Hammond continued the agenda with the Regular Agenda Items.

20-058HTM Conduct a Public Hearing to Consider/Discuss/Act on the Request by Tiffany Bellino for Approval of a Historic Marker for the House Located at 215 North Waddill Street. Mr. Guy Giersch, Historic Preservation Officer for the City of McKinney, explained the Historic Marker application. He discussed the history of the house and the previous property owners. Mr. Giersch stated that Staff was recommending approval of a historic marker for 215 North Waddill Street and offered to answer questions. There were none. Ms. Tiffany Bellino, 215 North

Waddill Street, McKinney, TX, explained the proposed request and concurred with the Staff Report. She stated that the property is currently a bed and breakfast. Alternate Board Member Schulze ask about her thoughts on the marker application process. Ms. Bellino stated that this process and Mr. Giersch's assistance had been amazing. Vice-chairperson Petvoksek asked how long the process took her. Ms. Bellino stated that she started around the end of Spring. Alternate Board Member Schulze ask how Ms. Bellino knew about the marker program. Ms. Bellino stated that they knew a lot of things that were available when they decided to purchase the property and restore it. She stated that the house was already on the National Register. Vice-Chairperson Petkovsek stated that it was a beautify house. Board Member Ringley stated that she appreciated the work they did to the house. Chairperson Hammond opened the public hearing and called for comments. There being none, on a motion by Vice-Chairperson Petkovsek, seconded by Board Member Beirnes, the Board voted to close the public hearing and approve the request as recommended by Staff, with a vote of 6-0-0.

20-058HT Conduct a Public Hearing to Consider/Discuss/Act on the Request by Tiffany Bellino for Approval of a Historic Tax Exemption for Seven Years for the House Located at 215 North Waddill Street. Mr. Guy Giersch, Historic Preservation Officer for the City of McKinney, explained the proposed Level 1 Historic Neighborhood Improvement Zone Tax Exemption request. He stated that Staff was recommending approval of the Level 1 Tax Exemption for 215 North Waddill Street. Mr. Giersch offered to answer questions. There were none. Ms. Tiffany Bellino, 215 North Waddill Street, McKinney, TX, concurred with the Staff Report and briefly discussed that the maintenance on the house was expensive. She offered to answer questions. There were none. Chairperson Hammond opened the public hearing and called for comments. There being none, on a motion by Alternate Board Member Schulze, seconded

by Board Member Friedel, the Board voted to close the public hearing and approve the request as recommended by Staff, with a vote of 6-0-0.

20-1059 Consider/Discuss/Act on the Selection of the 13 houses for the 2021-2022 Historic Home Recognition Calendar. Mr. Guy Giersch, Historic Preservation Office for the City of McKinney, gave a presentation on the 13 houses that were selected to be featured at the previous meeting by showing current photographs of each. The Board liked the selections that were made and decided to not make any changes. On a motion by Vice-Chairperson Petkovsek, seconded by Board Member Ringley, the Board approved the motion to keep the 13 houses that were selected at the previous meeting to be featured in the 2021-2022 Historic Home Recognition Program Calendar, with a vote of 6-0-0.

END OF REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS AND PUBLIC HEARINGS

Mr. Mark Doty, Assistant Director of Planning for the City of McKinney, announced that Mr. Guy Giersch, Historic Preservation Officer for the City of McKinney, will be retiring at the end of January 2021. The Board and Councilman Philips expressed their appreciation of Mr. Giersch's dedication to the history of McKinney and his work for the City. Mr. Doty stated that further information would be shared at the meeting in January.

There being no further business, on a motion by Vice-Chairperson Petkovsek, seconded by Board Member Friedel, the Board unanimously approved the motion to adjourn the meeting, with a vote of 7-0-0. Chairperson Hammond declared the meeting adjourned at 6:33 p.m.

LANCE HAMMOND
Chairperson