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**TITLE:** Consider/Discuss/Act on the Selection of 14 Houses and the General Timeline for the 2017-2018 Preserve Historic McKinney Home Recognition Program Calendar.

**COUNCIL GOAL:** Enhance the Quality of Life in McKinney

**MEETING DATE:** January 5, 2017

**DEPARTMENT:** Planning

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**ITEM SUMMARY:**

- The Historic Preservation Advisory Board (HPAB) will select 14 homes from a field that has been nominated for the 2017-2018 Historic Home Recognition Program calendar.
- The criteria for evaluation of the nominated properties is primarily based on the property's perceived impact on the surrounding area and how closely the property embraces the Mission statement of the Historic Preservation Advisory Board, which is to:

"To maintain McKinney's diverse architectural legacy, enrich the cultural identity of the community and strengthen economic value through preservation and education for our present and future generations."

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

Beginning in 2008, the City of McKinney Preservation Advisory Board (HPAB) established the Preserve Historic McKinney Home Recognition Program to recognize property owners who have revitalized McKinney's Historic residential community by making significant exterior improvements for individual properties.

Nominated properties should typically incorporate the following elements:

- Building improvements
- Landscaping enhancements
- A consistently high level of general maintenance

The following questions should assist in evaluating potential nominees:

- Does the house enhance the district by preserving the historical elements such as windows, doors, chimneys, porches, and siding?
- Does the house foster civic pride? Is the house generally well maintained?
- As an example, are the windows restored and is the paint well maintained?
- Have the improvements had a positive impact on the surrounding area?
- Have the improvements contributed to the stability or enhancement of the surrounding area?
- Are the new materials blended well with the historic materials?
- If the building is historic, has the building been restored/rehabilitated to maintain the original appearance?
- Does the property promote economic prosperity as well as enhance the City of McKinney's attractiveness to visitors to the community?
- Does the property have a harmonious mix of trees, shrubs, and ground cover?
- Does the landscaping compliment/enhance the building (i.e. massing, color, texture, and balance)?

**FINANCIAL SUMMARY:**

- N/A

**BOARD OR COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION:**

- N/A

**SUPPORTING MATERIALS:**

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