

HISTORIC PRESERVATION ADVISORY BOARD

JUNE 5, 2014

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, June 5, 2014 at 5:30 p.m.

Board Members Present: Chairperson Randy Hubbard, Vice-Chairperson Edna Brown, Peter Bailey, Shannon Burton, and Melanie Morgan

Board Member Absent: Kevin McGraw and Ben Rodriguez

Staff Members Present: Planning Manager Matt Robinson, Historic Preservation Officer Guy Giersch, and Administrative Assistant Terri Ramey

Chairman Hubbard called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m. after determining a quorum was present.

The Board unanimously approved the motion by Board Member Bailey, seconded by Board Member Burton, with a vote of 4-0-0, to approve the following consent item:

**14-545 Minutes of the Historic Preservation Advisory Board
Regular Meeting of May 1, 2014**

END OF CONSENT

Chairman Hubbard continued the agenda with the Discussion Items.

Board Member Morgan arrived at the meeting.

**14-546 Discuss the Summary of the Historic Neighborhood
Improvement Zone Tax Exemption Program**

Mr. Guy Giersch, Historic Preservation Officer for the City of McKinney, gave an update on the Historic Neighborhood Improvement Zone Tax Exemption Program. He discussed the number of properties that participated in the program each year since it started in 2008, yearly assessable taxable values of the properties, potential ad valorem revenue (pre-exemption) for the properties in the program, ad valorem revenue collected (post-exemption) for the properties in the program, annual foregone ad valorem revenue for the properties in the program, certified expenditures on the homes in the program that qualify for Level 2 and Level 3, that the money invested in the properties far exceed the taxes forgiven, and the expense of maintaining the properties.

Mr. Matt Robinson, Planning Manager for the City of McKinney, stated that the program has a \$100,000 cap for the annual foregone ad valorem revenue for the properties in the program.

Chairperson Hubbard and Vice-Chairperson Brown felt the program was successful.

Board Member Bailey asked if a property currently in the program could participate in the program again for additional tax incentives. Mr. Giersch said yes, if they qualify for a Level 2 or Level 3 incentive. He stated that the tax incentive time limit would start over at that point and would only be good for 15 years.

Board Member Bailey asked if Staff makes sure that the properties in the program are maintained. Mr. Giersch stated that he drives by the properties in January to verify that the properties are being maintained. He stated that if there is a maintenance issue that needs to be addressed on the property, he takes a photograph, and writes a letter to the homeowner concerning the issue. Mr. Giersch stated that if the issue was not addressed within the year, then the property would no longer be qualified for the program.

14-547 Discuss Home Recognition Program Calendar

Mr. Guy Giersch, Historic Preservation Officer for the City of McKinney, gave an update on the Historic Home Recognition Program and showed some examples of the artwork that has been submitted for the calendar. He discussed the progress of calendar advertisement sales and asked the Board Members to continue selling advertisements, since they pay for the printing expense of the calendars. Mr. Giersch discussed the calendar timeline to turn everything in to meet the printing deadline. He discussed the reception planned for October to unveil the artwork and the 2014-2015 Home Recognition Program calendar. He stated that they would also recognize everyone involved with the calendar at the event.

END OF DISCUSSION ITEMS

Mr. Matt Robinson, Planning Manager for the City of McKinney, reminded the Board that there would not be a meeting in July. He also stated that the meeting being held in August would be located in the Kentucky Conference Room of the Development Services Building.

Mr. Guy Giersch, Historic Preservation Officer for the City of McKinney, reminded the Board about the SERVE McKinney event on Wednesday, June 11, 2014.

There being no further business, Chairman Hubbard declared the meeting adjourned at 6:16p.m.

RANDY HUBBARD
Chairman