

**MINUTES
CITY OF DRIPPING SPRINGS
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
February 3, 2014
Regular Meeting
City Hall, 511 Mercer Street
Dripping Springs, Texas**

I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Chairman Ted Lehr calls the meeting to order at 5:38 pm and takes roll call. Present: Commissioner Ted Lehr – Chair; Commissioner Kathryn Chandler; Commissioner Charlie Haydon; Commissioner John Holdridge; Commissioner Karl Seelbach; and Commissioner Linda Freeman. Absent: Commissioner John McIntosh-Vice Chair. Also present is City Administrator Michelle Fischer.

II. PRESENTATION BY CITIZENS-none.

III. CONSENT

Discussion and Possible action regarding:

- A. **Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes, January 6, 2013**-Commissioner Seelbach makes a motion to approve the minutes with the correction of the spelling of his name, seconded by Commissioner Chandler. VOTE: all in favor. The motion is carried.
- B. **Approval of Special Meeting Minutes, January 14, 2014**-no minutes because there was no quorum for the meeting.

IV. BUSINESS

Discussion and Possible action regarding:

- A. **Proposal Regarding Real Estate and Economic Development Opportunities for the Stephenson Building and Adjacent Property Owned by the City of Dripping Springs, located at 101 Old Fitzhugh Rd.**-A presentation is given on the proposal by Mr. Doug Launius. Commissioner Freeman makes a motion to recommend that the City and the developer continue to explore the proposal with the continual contact of Keenan Smith and the Historic Preservation Commission; the proposal has continuity with the Historic District; the Commission enthusiastically supports the concept; and the City works to plan integrating outdoor public space in the development or adjacent property. The motion is seconded by Commissioner Chandler. VOTE: all in favor. The motion is carried.
- B. **Mercer Street Community Giving Tree**
 - 1. Fundraising-Ms. Fischer gives a report on fundraising to date.
 - 2. Distribution of Posters and Brochures-Commissioners discuss places to distribute posters and brochures.

3. Construction-no update. Commissioner Freeman makes a motion that the Commissioners should purchase a leaf in the future for the Commission, seconded by Commissioner Lehr. VOTE: all in favor. The motion is carried.

C. Participation in Founders Day Festival-Commissioner Lehr gives a report on the request from the Founders Day Festival Commission for volunteers at 5:00 am on Saturday morning and other volunteering needs.

D. Mercer Street Improvement Project Phase 2-no discussion and no action taken.

1. Pedestrian Enhancements & Landscaping
2. Cost Estimates
3. Fundraising
4. Special Events
5. Publicity

E. Update on City of Dripping Springs STP MM CAMPO Project CSJ: 0914-33-065: Mercer Street Pedestrian Improvement Project (Phase 1)-Ms. Fischer reports on the construction. No action taken.

V. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- A. Regular City Council Meeting, February 11, 2014, 5:30 p.m.
- B. Regular Historic Preservation Commission Meeting, March 3, 2014, 5:30 p.m.

VI. ADJOURN-Commissioner Seelbach makes a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Lehr. VOTE: all in favor. The motion is carried and the meeting is adjourned at 7:02 pm.