

MINUTES
HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION MEETING
BOERNE POLICE AND MUNICIPAL COURT COMPLEX, 124 OLD SAN ANTONIO ROAD
Tuesday, November 5, 2019 - 5:30 PM

HLC Members Present: Shanna Bergmann, Ben Adam (Chair voted), Mike Nichols, Patti Mainz, Cali Redd

HLC Members Absent: Cesar Hance, Justin Boerner, Stephen Kerr, Sherri Jo Adams

City Staff Present: Veronika Vasquez, Stephanie Kranich, Sara Serra-Bennett, Jeff Thompson

Guests: Tonia Cortazar

1. CALL TO ORDER – 5:30 PM

Chairman Adam called the Historic Landmark Commission meeting to order at 5:31 P.M.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

[2019-1071](#) Request for approval of the Historic Landmark Commission Minutes of October 1, 2019

COMMISSIONER NICHOLS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION MINUTES OF OCTOBER 1, 2019. COMMISSIONER MAINZ SECONDED THE MOTION. THE MOTION CARRIED 5-0.

3. CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION

There were none.

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS: This is the opportunity for visitors and guests to address the Historic Landmark Commission on any issue. The Historic Landmark Commission may not discuss any presented issue, nor may any action be taken on any issue at this time. (Attorney General opinion – JC-0169)

There were none.

ACTION ITEMS:

5. [2019-1070](#) Request for approval of a Certificate of Appropriateness for a metal fence located at 491 South Main Street, KAD No. 27897

(The Octagon Group). Take necessary action.

Ms. Sara Serra-Bennett explained the request for the Certificate of Appropriateness for a temporary metal fence around the property. The requested metal fence would be five foot in height and eight foot length sections.

Ms. Tonia Cortazar, representative for the property owner, explained the request and explained the alley in the rear of the property would remain clear and the only area the fence will be placed around will be at the site of the previous gas station.

Commissioner Nichols asked how long the fence will be placed at the location. Ms. Cortazar did not have a time frame for the removal of the temporary fence. Commissioner Nichols expressed his concerns regarding having a fence for just a grass lot.

Commissioner Nichols made a motion of denial for the certificate of appropriateness. No second occurred.

Commissioner Bergmann suggested a lower height for the fence possibly three foot tall and more ornamental to reflect the charm of Boerne's historic district.

Commissioner Mainz suggested a fence below four feet and more decorative.

COMMISSIONER REDD MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS FOR A METAL FENCE LOCATED AT 491 SOUTH MAIN STREET, KAD NO. 27897 (THE OCTAGON GROUP), WITH THE CONDITION THE METAL FENCE BE NO TALLER THAN FOUR FEET TALL AND CONSIST OF AN ANTIQUE LOOK WITH ORNAMENTAL FINIALS SIMILAR TO THE SKETCH PROVIDED BY CHAIRMAN ADAM. COMMISSIONER BERGMANN SECONDED THE MOTION. THE MOTION CARRIED 4-1 (COMMISSIONER NICHOLS DISSENTED).

6. Comments from Commission/Legal Counsel/Staff – No discussion or action may take place.

Mr. Jeff Thompson spoke regarding new hires at the City of Boerne and stated the Public Works department will now be split into two departments and named the City's new engineer as Jeff Carroll, who will oversee drainage, GIS and will be the new flood plain administrator. There will be a new Communication manager coming on board this month and a full-time City Attorney in January.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Adam adjourned the Historic Landmark Commission meeting at 6:12 P.M.

THE CITY OF BOERNE HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION RESERVES THE RIGHT TO ADJOURN INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT ANY TIME TO DISCUSS ANY OF THE MATTERS LISTED ABOVE, AS AUTHORIZED BY TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE §551.071 (CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY).

HLC Chairman

HLC Secretary