MAIN STREET HISTORICAL ADVISORY COMMISSION AGENDA FOR TUESDAY, MARCH 1, 2011 4:30 P.M.

FREEPORT HISTORICAL MUSEUM, 311 EAST PARK AVE., FREEPORT, TEXAS 77541

Members:
SANDRA LEAVEY President
SANDRA BARBREE Vice-President
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SANDRA LOEZA

OPEN MEETING

Call Meeting to order - put phones on vibrate

Sandra Barbree opened meeting at 4:50 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Sandra Barbree, Marjorie Clark, Pixie Floyd, Nat Hickey, Lila Lloyd, Lalo Garcia and Sandra Loeza as well as Gilbert Arispe, Main Street Director.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Sandra Leavey and Marty DeLeon.

GUESTS IN ATTENDANCE: Mayor Larry McDonald, Councilperson Nicole Mireles and City Manager Jeff Pynes.

PROJECTS PROPOSED FOR DISCUSSION HISTORIC MARKER PROGRAM

Jeff Pynes presented an overview of the Historic Marker Program. A committee has been established, comprised of the Main Street Board, to recognize Freeport's many historic landmarks and instill a sense of community pride and historical relevance. Certain criteria must be met in order to receive approval for a Historic Marker. Documentation must be provided to give an accurate, lasting record of the history behind the subject of the marker. An application must be completed and submitted to the committee along with a \$100 application fee. Regardless of whether a Historical Marker is approved or denied the application fee is non-refundable and will be used to further support of historical initiatives within this program and the City. The marker is for historical interest and educational purposes and obtaining a marker will not affect, in any way, the ability to alter or add improvements to the property or structure. Upon approval, a date will be set for a plaque presentation by the Mayor at a future city council meeting. The plaque, which is made of cast aluminum, will be mounted in front of the home or business by the city within one week of the award.

Eligibility Criteria includes:

- · A home must be fifty years old or older
- Have historic significance and/or relevance
- Have architectural significance
- The structure is in suitable and/or presentable visual condition

2 ACTION, IF NEEDED, ON ANY ITEM DISCUSSED

A motion was made by Marjorie Clark that the Main Street Historical Advisory Board do the City of Freeport Historic Marker Program and that we immediately begin this program. Motion was seconded by Lalo Garcia. Motion approved by all present.

3. WORKSHOP FOR DISCUSSION OF HISTORIC OVERLAY DISTRICT

Discussion was led by Jeff Pynes regarding the proposed Historic Overlay District. A committee of individuals had met about a week ago to do a proposed layout of the Historic Overlay District. Provided for all to see was a map of this layout. The Historic Overlay District will begin at the railroad then going down the alleyway East

behind Second Street, going right a block and half on Oak Street, left one block on Fourth Street, right one block on Cherry Street, left on Fifth Street to Navigation Blvd, left along Navigation Blvd, then left past Second Street and Brazos Blvd E to the Brazos River Waterfront, proceed along the waterfront to the end at the railroad.

Everyone seemed to agree that this was a good layout for the district. Discussion was held that the next step would be to write the guidelines and procedures for this district and that we need to be concerned and aware of the affect if any that it would have on the property owners. Future meetings will be held to work out the guidelines for this Historic Overlay district.

4 DISCUSSION OF ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA AND MEETING TIMES AND DATES

Sandra Barbree would like a meeting scheduled to do a final report of the Mardi Gras event. Also to be discussed at next meeting will be to give an update on the uncoming FlapJack run.

5 ADJOURN

There being no further discussion, Sandra Barbree adjourned the meeting at 5:14 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marjorie L. Clark

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