
LANDMARKS COMMISSION

June 27, 2006

Minutes

Members Present: Rick Weatherl
Steve Butman
Michael McClellan
Robert Calk
Phil Miller
Bill Minter

Members Absent: Scott Bishop, Alternate
Robert McCathren, Alternate
Pebbles Lee

Staff Present: Larry Abrigg, AICP, Planner III, Historic Preservation Officer
Justin Fortney, Planner I
San Santee, Assistant City Attorney

Guests: Patsy Petty, Jolene Sollivan, Sallie Schoppa, Shirley Smith, Bernice Wolfe, Dottie Korman

Mr. Weatherl called the meeting to order at 4:05 PM, declared a quorum present, and read the opening statement.

Minutes of the May 30, 2006, meeting were submitted for approval. The minutes were approved by unanimous vote. Mr. McClellan made the motion and Mr. Calk seconded the motion.

Agenda Item 3: Z-2006-27, Public hearing to consider a request from the Abilene Woman's Club to add Historic Overlay Zoning to the base zoning of Residential Multi-Family District 3, (RM-3) at 3425 S. 14th Street.

Mr. Abrigg provided the staff report. Photographs were shown of the building. Mr. Weatherl opened the public hearing. Dottie Korman was the spokes person for the Woman's Club. She stated they wanted to protect the building and the heritage of the club. She pointed out the five other members who were present. A question was asked if there had been any changes to the exterior of the building. Ms. Korman stated that the back entrance porch cover is in the process of being updated. Mr. Weatherl asked staff the details of the change. Mr. Abrigg explained that the building was an RTHL (Record Texas Historic Landmark) and that Texas Historical Commission architects were reviewing the new canopy. Mr. Weatherl closed the public hearing. Mr. Minter made a motion to approve the HO Zoning request. Mr. Miller seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Agenda Item 4: Discussion item and possible vote regarding development of policies and or amendments to the Zoning Ordinance concerning historic properties for the following situations.

- a) Landmark's Commission initiation of Historic Overlay Zoning

Mr. Abrigg briefed the Commission on the background information for the Commission to initiate HO Zoning.

Dan Santee, Assistant City Attorney mentioned to Commission members the dilemma the City has had when a property owner comes in and they are not sure of their historic status or designations on their property. He suggested staff initiate a rewrite of certain portions of the zoning ordinance that would be less confusing to owners, but protect historic properties. He said we would have on the next agenda language for the Commission to review and possibly send on to the Planning & Zoning Commission and the City Council for approval.

Agenda Item 5: Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:55 PM.

Approved: _____, Chairman
Date: _____