

CITY OF HURST

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On the 26th day of January 2023, at 5:00 p.m., the Hurst Community Arts and Historic Landmark Preservation Committee of the City of Hurst, Texas, convened in Regular Meeting at the Library, 901 Precinct Line Road, Hurst, Texas, with the following members present:

Billye Runnels-Jones)	Chair
Janice Pyles-Trostle)	Members
Mary Wismann		
Anne Stimmel		
Cyndi Evans		
Nell DeLaughter		
Kyle Gordon)	Executive Director of Community Services
Hannah Ditgen)	Community Services Management Assistant
Jesse Loucks)	Library Director

with the following members absent: Dallas Snow, constituting a quorum, at which time the following business was transacted:

I. Call to Order

Billye Runnels-Jones called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

II. Roll Call of Members

Hannah Ditgen conducted the Roll Call of Members.

III. Approval of Minutes

Mary Wismann moved to approve the minutes of the October 27, 2022, regular meeting as written. Motion seconded by Janice Pyles-Trostle. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

AYES: Wismann, Pyles-Trostle, Stimmel, Evans, DeLaughter, Runnels-Jones

NO: None

IV. Works in Progress

A. Post Oak - Parker Cemetery Grounds: Kyle Gordon informed the Committee that the Parks Division has installed flower beds at the cemetery entrance and planted burgundy and cream iris bulbs. The irises should begin to sprout in the spring. Mr. Gordon also showed the Committee the two benches that the staff ordered. The benches have three seats, each with two arms on either side of the seats, to make standing easier for senior citizens. The benches are estimated to arrive in June.

V. Communications

None at this time.

VI. Unfinished Business

None at this time.

VII. New Business

None at this time.

VIII. Informational Items

A. Art in Public Places

- 1. Utility Box Art Project Update:** Hannah Ditgen informed the Committee that the City has installed all nineteen vinyl wraps on the selected utility boxes. Ms. Ditgen also shared that she has met most artists along with the City's Public Information Officer to take their photos with their artwork and plans to add them to the website update. Ms. Ditgen previewed the completed portions of the website and shared that it should be fully complete in the next couple of weeks.

Phase 2 of the Utility Box Art Project has the working theme title, "The Building Blocks of Hurst," and will focus on subjects such as veterans, first responders, frontline workers, L.D. Bell, and Bell Helicopter. Ms. Ditgen shared the project timeline with the Committee.

- 2. Future Projects:** Ms. Ditgen reminded the Committee about the Hurst Justice Center Window Exhibit Refresh idea presented at the October meeting and shared that the City could better utilize the funding to add art to the City Hall lobby. Currently, City Hall has little to no art in the facility. The project would involve a call for artists similar to what the Hurst Conference Center implemented at their facility. Visitors could also have the opportunity to purchase the artwork at City Hall.

Mary Wismann asked once the City places art at City Hall that staff consider providing artist information in a way that doesn't utilize a QR code.

Janice Pyles-Trostle also suggested staff consider a lighting option in the insets where staff will place the art.

Ms. Ditgen informed the Committee that with their approval, staff would like to hold the approved funding for the Art in Public Places Phase 4 and

request additional funds in the next budget cycle. This process will allow staff to purchase a modern art piece that will make a big statement. Ms. Ditgen showed the Committee photos of an art lighting structure staff would like the Committee to consider for Phase 4 that the City would install at City Hall.

Kyle Gordon presented three redevelopment projects the City is working on that will offer future Art in Public Places opportunities.

- B. Parker Family Historical Research Update:** Chair Billye Runnels-Jones, presented her research regarding the Parker Family and the capture of Cynthia Ann Parker. Ms. Runnels-Jones highlighted the Parker Family's arrival to Texas, the events that led to the Comanches invading Fort Parker, the capture of Cynthia Ann Parker and other Parker family members, and finally, Cynthia Ann's return to Texas and her death. Ms. Runnels-Jones shared her resources.

Janice Pyles-Trostle also suggested another book about Cynthia Ann's son, Quanah Parker, entitled *The Empire of the Summer Moon: Quanah Parker and the Rise and Fall of the Comanches, the Most Powerful Indian Tribe in American History* by S.C. Gwynne.

C. Hurst Oral History Project Update

- 1. Program Update:** Jesse Loucks informed the Committee that he has contacted three of the four candidates for Phase VI. Mr. Loucks asked Janice Pyles-Trostle to assist with contact information for Deena Hurst.

Anne Stimmel and Mary Wismann left the meeting at 6:19 and 6:20 p.m., respectively.

- 2. Video Review:** Mr. Loucks presented the video of Mayor Henry Wilson to the Committee. The Committee approved the video.

Janice Pyles-Trostle inquired about Sadhu Shori's Oral History video. Mr. Loucks shared that staff is working on edits with the City's videographer, and the video should be ready to show at the April meeting.

Cyndi Evans mentioned John Bobo's funeral video and asked that staff reach out to his family to see if it might be something the City could add to the Oral History project.

IX. Other Business

- A. Next Regular Meeting Date:** Mr. Gordon stated that the next regularly scheduled meeting is Thursday, April 27, 2023, at 5:00 p.m.

X. Board Member and Citizen Comments

None at this time.

XI. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by Chair Billye Runnels-Jones at 7:00 p.m.

APPROVED this the _____ day of _____, 2023.

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

CHAIR

RECORDING SECRETARY