

CITY OF HURST

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On the 27th day of April 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		
Dallas Snow		
Kyle Gordon)	Executive Director of Community Services
Hannah Ditgen)	Community Services Management Assistant
Jesse Loucks)	Library Director
Teri Smith)	Community Services Administrative Assistant

with the following members absent: none, 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

Teri Smith conducted the Roll Call of Members.

III. Approval of Minutes

Janice Pyles-Trostle moved to approve the minutes of the January 26, 2023, regular meeting as written. Motion seconded by Mary Wismann. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

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

NO: None

IV. Works in Progress

A. Post Oak - Parker Cemetery Grounds: Kyle Gordon informed the Committee that the irises are growing well in the flower beds at the cemetery entrance, and some are even blooming revealing the burgundy and cream color selected by the Committee. Mr. Gordon also mentioned that the benches are still on order and should arrive sometime in July.

V. Communications

- A. Utility Box Art Comment:** Hannah Ditgen read a thank you note from Molly Schmid, one of the artists selected for the Utility Box Art project, for making this opportunity possible for her and other artists.
- B. Arwine Cemetery Grant Solicitation:** Kyle Gordon reported that Scott Anderson, a representative of the Arwine Cemetery, contacted him inquiring about grant opportunities from the City of Hurst or the state. Mr. Gordon shared that the City does not currently have a grant program but was able to refer him to the Texas Historical Commission.

Mr. Gordon noted that Mr. Anderson shared historical documentation of the headstones at Arwine, so the City now has updated records of who is buried at the historical site.

VI. Unfinished Business

None at this time.

VII. New Business

None at this time.

VIII. Informational Items

A. Art in Public Places

- 1. Phase I Utility Box Art Project Update:** Hannah Ditgen reported that the staff moved the vinyl wrap placed at N.E. Mall Blvd. and Cheryl Ave. to Bedford Euless Rd. and Irwin Dr. The new location is a much more ideal location for the public to view the artwork.

Ms. Ditgen also noted that Nadia Mason, an artist selected for Phase I of the Utility Box Art Project, was recently chosen to design a mural for Northeast Mall. Staff shared their excitement for Ms. Mason and that the City's program was the catalyst for this type of connection in the Hurst community.

- 2. Phase II Utility Box Art Project Update:** Ms. Ditgen stated that Phase II of the Utility Box Art Project launched on April 1 with the theme "Building Blocks of Hurst." Staff will accept applications through June 1, and the selection process will begin in July. The Committee received a marketing brochure highlighting Phase II's selection process. Ms. Ditgen shared that she will distribute the brochure at City facilities to advertise the program.

B. FY 23-24 Budget Update: Ms. Ditgen explained that the City is currently in the budget process. She has submitted Art in Public Places funding for the City Manager to consider. The approved funding will dictate the type of art for Phase 4 of the Art in Public Places initiative. If the full funding is approved, staff will move forward with the City Hall LED lighting art structure. If partial funding is approved, staff will bring the Committee an exterior art structure alternative option.

C. Hurst Oral History Project Update

1. Program Update: Jesse Loucks informed the Committee that the Oral History project is currently in Phase VI (final phase). The City Videographer has conducted pre-interviews and filming with Allan Weegar, Allan Heindel, and Deena Hurst. The next step is the editing process.

Mr. Loucks shared that the next phase in the Oral History project will be to shift to a series of videos piecing together cohesive narratives from the 30+ videos filmed for the Oral History project so far. These videos will be multi-piece documentaries that are topical and subject-focused.

2. Video Review: Mr. Loucks presented the video of Sadhu Shori to the Committee. The Committee approved the video.

IX. Other Business

A. Next Regular Meeting Date: Mr. Gordon stated that the next regularly scheduled meeting is Thursday, July 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 5:52 p.m.

APPROVED this the _____ day of _____, 2023.

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ATTEST:

CHAIR

RECORDING SECRETARY