

CULTURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION
REGULAR SESSION

FEBRUARY 4, 2020

The Cultural Resources Commission met in Regular Session on Tuesday, February 4, 2020, at 4:00 p.m. in the Conference Room at Athens City Hall, 508 East Tyler Street, Athens, Texas with the following members present, to-wit:

Chet Patel
Tom Leathem
Kathy Means
Beverly Peek

Katie Birk, Tourism and Cultural Resources Coordinator
Bonnie Hambrick, City Secretary

Others present: Deborah Deas,

with the following members absent: Beth Faulk, Kelley Townsend

constituting a quorum at which time the following proceedings were enacted to-wit:

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Chet Patel called the meeting to order.

DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

No action was taken.

CULTURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION UPDATES REGARDING
COMMUNITY EVENTS

There were no updates.

TOURISM AND CULTURAL RESOURCES COORDINATOR UPDATE

Katie Birk, Tourism and Cultural Resources Coordinator provided the following updates:

- February 14 & 15: Common Area Market hosting Dustin Tavella – Magic, Comedy, Music, & More
- February 22: Boogie's: Strange Brew @7pm
- February 20-29: Henderson County Performing Arts: Steel Magnolias

- Fulton Printing has completed their façade
- Explained changes to the downtown area
- Gaming Café opening
- Hotel Occupancy Tax Fund

PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS.

There was no discussion.

CONSIDER APPROVING THE MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 5, 2019 REGULAR SESSION

A motion was made by Member Leathem, seconded by Member Means to approve the minutes of the November 5, 2019 Regular Session. The motion carried unanimously.

UPDATE ON THE FISCAL YEAR 2020 DOWNTOWN FACADE GRANT PROGRAM APPLICATION PACKET

Ms. Birk provided an update on the Fiscal Year 2020 Downtown Facade Grant Program Application Packet and explained there was no progress on who will be overseeing the grant application process. Member Patel requested an update on the Façade Program.

DISCUSS OPTIONS FOR WAYFINDING SIGNS AND POTENTIAL GRANTS

Ms. Birk presented locations for wayfinding signs and directional signage. The Commission discussed option for Wayfinding signs. Ms. Birk explained there are grants available for wayfinding signs to assist with funding.

DISCUSS CHANGES TO THE TOURISM WEBSITE

Ms. Birk discussed changes to the tourism website and explained the tourism website will have a community calendar. Discussion occurred.

CULTURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Member Means provided an update on the fiddle statues and stated the item will appear on the City Council's agenda on February 10, 2020.

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ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 3rd DAY OF MARCH 2020.

Chet Patel, Chairman

ATTEST:

Bonnie Hambrick, City Secretary