



# City of Denton

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## AGENDA INFORMATION SHEET

**DEPARTMENT:** Department of Development Services

**DCM:** Cassey Ogden

**DATE:** December 8, 2025

### **SUBJECT**

Consider making a recommendation to City Council regarding a notice from the Texas Historical Commission regarding the nomination of the Little Chapel in the Woods, located at 415 Chapel Drive, to the National Register of Historic Places.

### **BACKGROUND**

The Little Chapel in the Woods, located at 415 Chapel Drive, has been nominated for listing on the National Register of Historic Places. The nomination will be forwarded to the State Board of Review for consideration at their next meeting, January 17, 2026, in Austin, Texas. As a participant in the Certified Local Government Program (CLG), the HLC is called upon to express an opinion regarding this nomination.

### **CONSIDERATIONS**

The Texas Historical Commission (THC), as the State's Historic Preservation Officer, and the Executive Director of THC, seek input on nominations for listings on the National Register of Historic Places. The Little Chapel in the Woods is one of several buildings designed by or associated with O'Neil Ford in the City of Denton. The request from the THC is that the HLC and mayor express an opinion. Based on past practice related to the Fairhaven Retirement Home nomination in 2019, the mayor had asked for a resolution from City Council to be presented on the consent agenda following the HLC's consideration of the listing.

### **OPTIONS**

1. Express a favorable opinion of the listing
2. Express an unfavorable opinion of the listing
3. Postpone the item

### **RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends the HLC vote to support the nomination of the Little Chapel in the Woods, located at 415 Chapel Drive, to the National Register of Historic Places.

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**EXHIBITS**

1. Agenda Information Sheet
2. Site Location Map
3. THC National Register of Historic Places Nomination Letter
4. Little Chapel in the Woods State Board of Review NR Draft

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