

MINUTES
Historic Landmark Commission
October 11, 1993

The regular meeting of the Historic Landmark Commission of the City of Denton was held at 5:00 p.m. in the Civil Defense Room of the Municipal Building located at 215 E. McKinney Street on Monday, October 11, 1993.

Present: Judith Abbott, Rita Holcomb, Bullitt Lowry, Mary McCain, Mark Merki, Kenneth Morgan, and Alan Smart

Absent: Suzanne Byron and Judy Cole

Present from Staff: Frank Robbins, Executive Director of Planning and Development; Jane Biles, Preservation Officer; and Donna Baker, Planning Technician

Others Present: Councilmember Brock

Chairperson Abbott called the meeting to order.

- I. Consider approval of the minutes of the special called meeting of September 3, 1993 and the regular meeting of September 13, 1993.

Mr. Lowry moved to approve the minutes of the special called meeting of September 3, 1993. It was seconded by Ms. Holcomb and unanimously approved (7-0).

Mr. Lowry moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of September 13, 1993. It was seconded by Ms. Holcomb and unanimously approved (7-0).

- II. Discuss options concerning the proposed O'Neil Ford Historic District.

Mr. Robbins reported to the Commission that there were five options available regarding the proposed O'Neil Ford Historic District. The five options were:

Option One: Use the existing system where the City Council decides in public and no criteria is used.

Option Two: Historic Landmark Commission informal review. Council decides in public. Historic Landmark Commission comments to staff and/or Council. Ad hoc and/or individual criteria.

Option Three: Designation to include City Hall, Library and Womans Building.

Option Four: Designation to include City Hall, Civic Center, Park, Swimming Pool, Womans Building and Library.

Option Five: Create a district for part of the area only.

Ms. Abbott stated that she felt that people were either in favor or opposed to preservation.

Mr. Lowry stated that he liked option four and added that he felt it was the least restrictive. He added that he felt a subcommittee should draft an ordinance for the Council to look at prior to deciding.

Mr. Lowry moved to have the Chairwoman elect a subcommittee to draft the criteria to be used for the ordinance to designate the whole area. It was seconded by Ms. Holcomb and unanimously carried (7-0).

III. Discuss Preservation Plan.

Ms. Biles stated that in the Commissioners backup was the draft Preservation Plan. Ms. Biles reported to the Commission the major changes to the plan.

The Commissioners agreed to the draft plan and asked that staff proceed with a final copy.

Ms. Abbott left the meeting.

IV. Future Agenda Items.

Ms. Holcomb stated that she felt the Commission should capitalize from Ms. McCain's artwork for the Preservation Plan. She suggested possibly calendars and notepads.

Ms. Holcomb moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:21 p.m. It was seconded by Ms. McCain and unanimously carried (6-0).