

Bexar County Historical Commission
Bexar County Courthouse
100 Dolorosa
San Antonio, Texas 78205

August 7, 2017 MINUTES—BEXAR COUNTY HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Members Present

Mickey Killian
Linda Salvucci, Ph.D.,
Amy Porter, Ph.D.
Felix D. Almaraz, Ph.D.
Paul Ringenbach, Ph.D.
Andi Rodriguez
Clinton McKenzie
Tim Draves

Members Unable to Attend

Marcello Martinez
Francine Rowden
Corky Rubio
Carey Latimore, Ph.D.

Associate Members Present

Gary Houston
Brother Edward Loch
Scott Baird, Ph.D.
Brian McBeth
Jose G. Jimenez

Associate Members Unable to Attend

Frank Faulkner
Alfred Rodriguez

Guests:

Patti Zaiontz
Erika Arredondo Haskins

County Staff:

Betty Bueche, Bexar Heritage Department
Juliet Moke, Bexar Heritage Department
David Carlson, Ph.D.

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Bexar County Historical Commission was held August 7, 2017 at the Paul Elizondo Tower Conference Room 204 with the Chair, Tim Draves, presiding. There being a quorum present, the minutes were approved as amended.

A motion passed to accept Brother Ed Loch and Gilbert Cruz, Ph.D. as associate members.

COMMITTEES

Historical Markers

Committee Chair Felix D. Almaraz presented to Chair Tim Draves the Bexar County Historical Commission Gavel. Marker applications are due November 1. Dr. Almaraz offered to meet with the landowners at the site of the Adams Hill marker to offer advice on new location for that marker.

Cemeteries

Scott Baird reported on the investigation into the desecration of the Herritage (sic) cemetery on Moursund Blvd due to construction. The Cemetery has been lost. The law enforcement issue lies with City of San Antonio offices.

History Awareness and Appreciation

Committee Chair Francine Rowden submitted a written report previous to the meeting.

Comments from Members and Associates:

Felix D. Almaraz is keeping an eye on Jose Miguel Arciniega Descendants and the menace of that group's application for a trademark designation for an image of Arciniega's signature.

Mickey Killian reminded members and associates that he requested in March that February minutes be amended to record a series of comments regarding Campo Santo. Chair agreed that the record will be corrected.

Gary Houston informed members and associates of a planned apartment structure in the site line of the Historic Hays bridge and requested members and associates sign a petition to COSA and Historic Design and Review Commission.

At staff's request for input, Amy M. Porter, Frank Faulkner, and Clinton McKenzie agreed to review the text of drafts of the San Pedro Creek Improvement Project interpretive panels.

COMMENTS FROM CHAIR:

The Chair and Bexar County Judge Nelson Wolff encourage all members and associates to attend Bexar County Commissioners Court at 10:00 AM Tuesday August 8 as the Court honors Paul Ringenbach's service to the community with the Hidalgo Award.

Bexar County Commissioners Court approved Judge Nelson Wolff's appointment of Linda Salvucci, Ph.D. to the Bexar County Historical Commission on June 22.

Chair informally polled members and associates about meeting times and days of the month, and the consensus was to keep it at noon on the first Monday of the month in P.E.T. Board Room 204. Further, members and associates agreed to a three-month trial period for the noon committee meeting schedule.

The meeting adjourned at 1:33 PM.