

## HISTORIC PRESERVATION BOARD MINUTES

A regular meeting of the City of Brenham's Historic Preservation Board was held on Friday, June 3, 2022, beginning at 4 p.m. in the Brenham City Hall, Conference Room 2A, at 200 W. Vulcan Street, Brenham, Texas.

### Board Members present:

Hal Moorman - Chair  
Jennifer Hermann  
Stacy Marhofer  
Mike Vance  
Rachel Nordt

### Board Members absent:

Brad Tegeler

### Community:

Randy and Suzi Bayer and son

### City of Brenham Staff present:

Tourism and Marketing Director Jennifer Eckermann and Tourism and Marketing Coordinator Nancy Joiner.

### **1. Call Meeting to Order**

Chairman Hal Moorman called the meeting to order.

### **2. Public Comments**

None were present.

## **REGULAR SESSION**

### **3. Discuss and Possibly Act Upon a Certificate of Appropriateness Application for 201 W. Main Street, Brenham, Texas**

Jennifer Eckermann, Historic Preservation Officer presented this item along with Randy Bayer. A new Certificate of Appropriateness (COA) Application was submitted by Suzanne and Randy Bayer for 201 W. Main Street. The Bayer's previous application the HPB considered and approved on November 29., 2021. This original application included a drawing and a description of the work to be done on-site. The Building Official issued a Stop Work Order on Wednesday, May 25, with notice to resubmit to the HPB and not continue work on the patio until all approvals were received. Anything requiring a building permit requires full HPB consideration. The Fire Marshall described the unapproved changes as an enclosure, which would be considered a significant change.

The owner let us know that he was opening on June 8 and we convened this special meeting so

the HPB could consider the unapproved changes. On his application, he marked it as an Administrative COA (for Insignificant Changes). I let him know that this would be considered as a Significant Change and that I would make the change for him to save time. He responded and disagreed, I left the application as originally submitted. He felt that changes are strictly décor and insignificant.

Mr. Bayer talked about crime downtown and he added a metal gate and lattice work to keep the homeless from sleeping on his property. Also, will be adding planter boxes to support flowering vines. A center gate would be locked after hours and matches the fence at Alamo Alley. Lattice work is painted to match the existing stain.

The Board has two options. One to retroactive approval of the unapproved changes and two, denial of the COA and require removal of unapproved changes.

Several board members asked questions about the changes. After much discussion a motion was made.

A motion was made by Boardmember Nordt and seconded by Boardmember Hermann to approve the new COA with contemporary design for alterations and additions to existing properties shall not be discouraged when such alterations and additions do not destroy significant historical, architectural, or cultural material, and such design is compatible with the size, scale, color, material, and character of the property, neighborhood, or environment.

Chair Moorman called for a vote. The motion passed with voting as follows:

Jennifer Hermann	Yes
Rachel Nordt	Yes
Stacy Marhofer	Yes
Hal Moorman	Yes
Brad Tegeler	<b>Absent</b>
Mike Vance	Yes

#### 4. Adjourn

*Hal Moorman*

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**ATTEST:**

*Nancy Joiner*

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Tourism & Marketing Coordinator