



**WORKSESSION MINUTES  
HISTORIC LANDMARKS COMMISSION  
June 21, 2016**

The Historic Landmarks Commission of the City of Palestine, Texas convened in a Worksession on June 21, 2016 at Palestine City Hall, 504 N. Queen Street, Palestine, Texas, with the following people:

Julie Abston, Barbara Jordan, Mickie Lamberth, Cindy Millichamp, Shirley Shaddock, Linda Williams. Staff: Jacob Morris

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

Julie Abston called the Regular Meeting to order at 3:07 PM.

**B. CITIZEN COMMENTS**

No citizens spoke.

**C. DISCUSSION OF OPTIONS REGARDING HP AD VALORUM TAX ABATEMENT**

**1. Discuss Existing Tax abatement and potential changes.**

Commissioners evaluated and discussed aspects of tax incentives in place in other communities. Commissioners discussed that incentives directed towards encouraging maintenance would be helpful. Commissioners discussed relative merits of incentivizing interior changes as well as exterior, as well as different aspects of rehabilitations. Commission discussed minimum threshold for tax incentives. Commissioners asked about feasibility of county incentive as well. Commission asked HPO to provide further examples and begin creating text containing different recommendations included to develop into a draft.

**D. DISCUSSION OF FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

**1. A Commissioner may inquire about a subject for which notice has not been given. A statement of factual information or the statement of existing policy may be given. Deliberation shall be limited to a proposal to place the subject as an agenda item for a future meeting. No items**

**E. ADJOURN**

The meeting adjourned at 4:10 pm

ATTEST:



(Name), Chairman



(Jacob Morris, PhD, HPO)