



HISTORICAL LANDMARK COMMISSION
 REGULAR MEETING
 August 19, 2014 4:00P.M.
 City Hall Council Chambers
 504 N. Queen Street
 Palestine, Texas

MEETING MINUTES

ROLL CALL	
Members present: Julie Abston, Chair; Jerry Bolton Alan Herrington; Shirley Shaddock; Linda Williams	Others in attendance: Jacob Morris, Historic Preservation Officer; Alene Leveston, Administrative Assistant; Laura Westgate, Main Street Manager
Members absent: Neel Warren, Bun Price	

CALL TO ORDER
 Meeting called to order at 4:00 p.m. by Chairperson, Julie Abston. A quorum was present.

CITIZEN COMMENTS:
 None.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:
 Commission action: Approved the minutes of the July 15, 2014 meeting.
 Motion: Herrington Second: Williams Vote: Unanimous

REPORT ON CURRENT FAÇADE IMPROVEMENT GRANTS:

Laura Westgate, Main Street Manager, summarized developments regarding the Façade Improvement Grants.

She stated that two applications had met criteria and were recommended for submittal:
 In-kind maintenance to the Redlands Building, 500 N Queen, including repointing portions of exterior mortar, and painting exterior fire escapes.

Façade restoration of the Gregg-Link Building, 102 W Main, for ground floor storefronts, windows and doors.

CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS APPLICATIONS:

Case COA-14-08- Conduct a public hearing, discuss and consider a request for a Certificate of Appropriateness submitted by Timothy Triplett, property owner, to restore the ground level storefronts at 102 W Main, the Gregg-Link building.

Property owner submitted a proposal to restore the ground level storefronts. The previously restored storefront on Spring street to be repainted. The unrestored storefront on Main Street to be restored to

match the other storefront. The remaining windows and doors to match historic photographs.
Motion: Commission moved to approve the application as submitted.

Motion: Williams

Second: Herrington

Vote: Unanimous

HISTORIC LANDMARK NOMINATION APPLICATION:

Public hearing, discussion, and action regarding Historic Landmark nomination for the primary structure located at 1425 E Calhoun Street, also known as Grace Temple Church.

An application for Historic Landmark designation for 1425 E Calhoun Street was submitted. Staff report recommended that although the building had an important history, it did not meet the criteria for Landmark designation because the building had been substantially reconstructed and heavily modified in the mid-1970s, removing its visible character-defining features. Staff then presented a report from the building official that the building had partially collapsed, was structurally unsound, and had been declared substandard.

Commission moved not to recommend Landmark designation due to the extensive changes and condition of the building.

Motion: Bolton

Second: Shaddock

Vote: Unanimous

STAFF REPORT:

Staff summarized developments since the last reporting period:

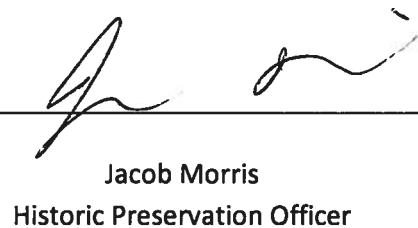
- The Historic Resources Survey preparations are ongoing, and volunteers are continuing surveying the Downtown district.

DISCUSSION OF FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

No specific items were suggested.



Julie Abston
Commission Chair



Jacob Morris
Historic Preservation Officer