

THE STATE OF TEXAS §
CITY OF BROWNSVILLE §
COUNTY OF CAMERON §

MINUTES of the Public Meeting of the **HERITAGE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BROWNSVILLE** held at 1034 E. Levee St., Planning Department, Brownsville, Texas, 78520, on Wednesday, April 27th, 2016 at 5:30 p.m., with the following members present:

Voting Members Present

Jose Luis Alanis, Council Member
Fernando Balli, Council Member
Hugo Colon, Council Member
Rolando Garza, Council Member
Anthony Knopp, Council Member
Larry Lof, Council Member
Trey Mendez, Chairman
Serena Putegnat, Council Member
Calvin Walker, Council Member

Nonvoting Members Present

Maria Valdez, Alternate
Vanessa Mancha, Alternate

Members Absent

Reba McNair, Council Member

City Staff

Peter Goodman, Downtown Manage
Juan Velez, Heritage Preservation Officer
Leonel Garza, Permitting Director

I - CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER

Seeing that a quorum was present, Council Member Trey Mendez called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

II - APPROVAL OF MINUTES

III -PUBLIC HEARING(S) ON CLASS L1/ A2/L2-PERMIT(S)

1. 1625 W Levee St.: To Allow a New Fence

Juan Velez, HPO, presented the renderings of the proposed fence. Delivered a brief explanation of the project, considering the surroundings in the nearby neighborhood. Photos of fences that are following future amendments to the fence ordinance were also presented by Mr. Velez. Once Public Hearing was opened, owner of this property, Juan Cano, explained briefly the reasons as to why the fence is necessary.

Upon motion by Council Member Anthony Knopp, seconded by Council Member Calvin Walker, and carried unanimously, the public hearing was **closed**

Once Public Hearing was closed, Council Member Calvin Walker moved to **approve** fence discussed by board members. The motion was seconded by Anthony Knopp, and carried unanimously. 6' fence, and side until alignment with the front façade. Calvin Walker moved to approve a farm fence of 4' in front of the property, seconded by Anthony Knopp.

2.425 E 19th St.: To Allow Painting a Fascia Cover

Juan Velez, HPO, presented renders of the current condition of fascia cover and proposed colors.

Once Public Hearing was opened and closed, Council Member Calvin moved to **approve** the painting of the fascia cover. The motion was seconded by Anthony Knopp, and carried unanimously.

3. 955 E Monroe St.: To Allow Painting

Juan Velez, HPO, presented the photos of the current condition of property. Once Public Hearing was opened owner of property presented colors samples for approval.

Once Public Hearing was closed, Council Member Anthony Knopp moved to **approve** the color samples provided by the owner. The motion was seconded by Fernando Balli, and carried unanimously.

4. 1015 International Blvd: To Allow a New Signage Board

Juan Velez, HPO, delivered a brief explanation of the project, providing renders of the nearby neighborhood businesses. After Public Hearing was opened, owner of the property presented photos of the LED signage's close to his business.

Upon motion by Council Member Fernando Balli, seconded by Council Member Rolando Garza, and carried unanimously, the public hearing was **closed**

Council Member Larry Loff moved to **approve** the new signage board proposed. The motion was seconded by Anthony Knopp, and carried.

5. 245 W Saint Charles St.: To Allow a Certificate of Appropriateness (COA)

Juan Velez, HPO, presented renders of the proposed design. Calvin Walker suggested changes be made to the design, which designer will get approval from owner of property.

Upon motion by Council Member Fernando Balli, seconded by Council Member Anthony Knopp, and carried unanimously, the public hearing was **closed**.

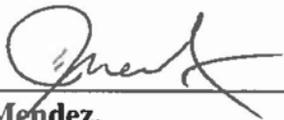
Council Member Fernando Balli moved to **approve** the certificate of appropriateness. The motion was seconded by Anthony Knopp, and carried unanimously.

III -Historic Preservation items.

Applications and forms were presented for the HPRDB Meeting and COA, but council members decided that the approval will be at another date.

Meeting adjourned.

Minutes approved on this 15th day of July, 2016



Trey Mendez,
Chairman Heritage Council