

City of Seguin

210 E. Gonzales Street Seguin TX, 78155

Meeting Minutes

City Council

Friday, July 26, 2019 12:00 PM Council Chambers

City Council & HPDC Joint

1. Call to Order

The City Council and members of the Historic Preservation and Design Commission met in a Joint Called Meeting on July 26, 2019 at 12:00 noon in the City Hall Council Chambers, City Hall, 210 East Gonzales in City of Seguin, with Mayor Don Keil presiding.

2. Roll Call

City Council Members present:

Mayor Don Keil, Council Members Penny Wallace, Jet Crabb, Jeremy Roy, Chris Rangel, and Fonda Mathis

Historic Preservation and Design Commission present:

Celina Ross, Trey Pounds, Kelley Rose, and Mary Reiley

3. Presentation

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Presentation of the findings of the Seguin Historic Resource Survey - Sandra Shannon, Cox McLain Environmental Consulting

Sandra Shannon and Emily Reed, historians with Cox McLain Environmental Consulting provided a presentation of the historic resources survey, project background and goal, the project approach, and the results.

Historian staff surveyed Seguin to determine the eligibility of properties for local, state and national historic designation in downtown and Austin Street between downtown and the railroad. It has been forty-years since the city's last survey. Seguin has six local landmarks in the reconnaissance survey and three individual properties listed in the national register.

Looking at structures, sights, and buildings

Recording key

Evaluating - importance in American history (local, state, national levels) Properties that have had major changes to the original architecture Surveys should be completed every 10-15 years

Thirty-five resources have been identified that meet the criteria for local landmark designation and twenty-nine that meet the criteria for the national register.

The project goal was to 1) break them down into three categories: High, Medium, and Low priorities; 2) make recommendation regarding existing historic district boundaries; 3) update list of contributing/non-contributing resources within district; 4) make recommendation regarding new districts and individually eligible resources.

Survey broken up into two separate parts. 1) the reconnaissance survey which is a detailed look at the downtown area and 2) the windshield survey which is a more relaxed look at locations outside of the reconnaissance area. Everything within the reconnaissance survey if it's of historic age is going to be documented with the Texas Historical Commission. Data shows a history rich downtown.

Ms. Shannon and Reed provided the boards with recommendations for future work.

4. Adjournment

There being no further business before the council the meeting adjourned at 1:05 pm.

Don Keil, Mayor
Attest:
Naomi Manski, City Secretary