



City of Liberty Hill, TX
Liberty Hill Downtown Revitalization Committee
Minutes Tuesday, August 22, 2023, at 5:30 PM
City Council Chamber/ Municipal
Courthouse 2801 Ranch RD 1869,
Liberty Hill, TX 78642

CALL TO ORDER

The Downtown Revitalization Committee Workshop was called to order at 5:32PM by Vice-Chair Kelly Olisky

Downtown Revitalization Committee Members Present:

Kellie Olisky, Vice-Chair
Kristan LeBaron, Secretary
Sheila Nardelli

Members absent:

Daniel Scott-Chair
Danyel Cake

City Staff:

Paul Brandenburg - City Administrator
Elaine Simpson - City Secretary
Mary Poche – EDC Director
Liz Branigan - Mayor

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Regarding items not on this agenda/Public Comments: Those desiring to speak on a topic not listed on the agenda, please complete a speaker form, and present it to the City Secretary before the meeting. Speakers will have three minutes each to speak, this time cannot be transferred or shared. Committee Members may not take action during this item and any responses will be limited to factual statements, recitation of existing policy, or request for the topic to be placed on a future agenda.

Regarding topics listed as an agenda item/During specific agenda item: The Committee requests that speakers complete a speaker form, indicate which agenda item they are interested in speaking about, and submit form to the City Secretary before the agenda item is addressed. Speaker forms may be emailed to the City Secretary before the meeting at esimpson@libertyhilltx.gov.

No Comments.

3. REGULAR SESSION

- a) Discussion, consideration, and possible action regarding the Downtown Revitalization Committee Meeting Minutes from July 25, 2023. (E. Simpson)

Postponed to next agenda.

- b) Discussion, consideration, possible action, and approval of the Texas Downtown Association-Anice Read Fund Grant Program (P. Brandenburg)

Paul Brandenburg presented the item. This is due the Friday before Labor Day. This item was introduced at the last meeting. We are applying for the grant in the amount of \$5,000. This is on the City Council agenda for approval tomorrow night. The award will be given at the annual conference in November.

On motion by Vice-Chair Olisky and seconded by K. LeBaron to approve the application for Texas Downtown Association-Anice Read Fund Grant.

Motion passed on vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays, and 0 abstentions.

- c) Discussion, consideration, and possible direction related to options for mural(s) or other public art for the downtown area. (D. Scott)

Chair Olisky introduced the item and said that Chair Scott was working on this item. K. LeBaron commented that she had reached out to different individuals for costs, but no one has responded. K. Olisky commented about identifying additional locations for murals. P. Brandenburg commented about the concerns about the wall where the newspaper used to be located at. The wall is not a flush wall and will not be simple to paint. P. Brandenburg also mentioned the research being done to find out how other cities fund murals. P. Brandenburg mentioned that K. Amsler had put together a list of artists that could do the mural. K. LeBaron said she would reach out to the artists to find out ballpark range on the costs.

John Teague, new owner of the newspaper building, spoke and said he was available if the Committee had any questions and that he has let the other two owners know that the City is interested in painting a mural on the side of the building. Mr. Teague also said they were looking at getting repairs done to that side of the building.

K. LeBaron asked about Daniel's email and the need for additional work on the side of the building. Chair Olisky asked Mr. Teague if there was anything his company would like to see on the side of the building. Mr. Teague responded that the discussions had not gone that in depth. P. Brandenburg suggested they put together a proposal of what the mural would look like, timeline, costs and who would pay for it.

Chair Olisky summed up that the Committee will get information from Danyel and Daniel and compile that information. P. Brandenburg suggested that he and K. LeBaron get together and start putting the details together so that at the next meeting they would have a draft to look at. P. Brandenburg said we have location, list of artists from Katie, potential costs, and how it would be funded. Once finalized, then we can turn it over to the property owner for them to take a look at. P. Brandenburg also commented that we need to decide what kind of mural we want on the wall such as historical features. For example, depot, cotton gins and historical events.

4) REPORTS

A) Cross-Committee Communications Report (August 2023)

P. Brandenburg informed the Committee that this is a new format that we are using with our boards and committees. There is a standing meeting where they all meet and talk about what they are doing and submit a uniform report. This is so all the boards and committees get the same report. This report is on the agenda for information only. There is no action required.

5) FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Issues, topics, items for consideration at a future meeting may be identified and scheduled for a future agenda. No deliberations on the items may occur.

Halloween Event-Monsters on Main. Chair Olisky asked what the steps are to solidify the event and go to the downtown businesses to get them involved. Chair Olisky will check with Katie Amsler on how to do this.

Downtown Museum at VFW property and include Mr. Spivey's historical Liberty Hill pieces.


6) ADJOURNMENT

With no other items on the agenda, and no objections from the committee members, Vice-Chair Olisky adjourned the Downtown Revitalization Committee at 6:00 P.M.

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE Downtown Revitalization Committee of the City of Liberty Hill, Texas on the 26th day of September 2023 on vote of 5 ayes, 0 nays, and 9 abstentions.


Chair Daniel Scott




City Secretary, Elaine Simpson