

# **City of Corpus Christi**

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# **Meeting Minutes - Draft**

# **Landmark Commission**

Thursday, October 23, 2025

4:30 PM

City Hall, Council Chambers.

#### I. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Chairman Pruitt called the meeting to order at 4:31 pm and a quorum was established to conduct the meeting with Commissioners Wilson & Espinoza absent.

II. PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

# III. Approval of Absences: Commissioners Wilson, Moreno, & Becquet (8.28.2025 Meeting)

Commissioner Riggle made a motion to approve the absence of Commissioners Wilson, Moreno, & Becquet from the August 28, 2025, meeting.

Commissioner McLaughlin seconded. Vote: All Aye. Motion passes.

# IV. Approval of Minutes: August 28, 2025 DRAFT Meeting Minutes

Vice Chaiman Landreth made a motion to accept the August 28, 2025, meeting minutes. Commissioner Wanzer seconded. The Vote: All Ayes. Motion passed.

1. <u>25-1510</u> Landmark Commission Meeting Minutes DRAFT 8.28.2025

Attachments: 8-28-25 LMC DRAFT Minutes

#### V. Discussion and Possible Action:

#### 2. 25-1481 Update on the Ritz Theatre

Arthur Seago, Executive Director, provided updates about the Ritz Theatre. He stated the \$30 million dollars received are for renovations to the original theatre portion. Continuing fundraisers would be held to raise money for the new building to be added to the current structure. The building would be a three-story structure with ADA accessibility, event & office space, and dressing rooms for production purposes. Mr. Seago stated renderings are available on the Ritz website for viewing. All the renovations and additions are expected to be completed by September 2029.

### 3. <u>25-1482</u> Update on the Saxet Area Survey

Andrew Dimas, Development Services provided the following:

Briefly, we surveyed 434 individual resources, or representative examples of a group of related properties. We evaluated 60 properties as High priorities for preservation based on significant historical associations and or architectural excellence. We assessed 312 properties as Medium priorities; they are good, or typical examples of common property types with sufficient architectural integrity to convey a sense of history. We assessed 61 properties as Low priorities; they were either non-historic resources or historic resources that had been severely altered to the extent that they no longer convey a good sense of history. One property was not given a priority as we could not see it well enough to evaluate.

We also identified 11 potential historic districts (National Register and/or local historic districts). They are:

Leopard Street (7 commercial buildings on Leopard and intersecting Waco Street) Blucherville (3 Blucher family houses and Blucher Park)

Comanche Street (1200-1600 blocks of Comanche Street, including Sacred Heart

Church, Kelsey Memorial Methodist Church, and Zion Baptist Church)

Up River Road (five architecturally significant houses on lower Up River Road)

Hatch RV Park (trailer park and associated resources begun 1933)

Highland Estates (residential subdivision platted in 1926)

Saxet Heights 1 (residential subdivision platted in 1926)

Oak Park (residential subdivision platted in 1927, revised 1928)

Blue Villa Rentals (tourist court and rental houses on N. Omaha Street)

Navarro Place (public housing complex at N. 19th Street and Mussett Street)

Lew Williams Chevrolet Dealership (Postwar Modern complex built in 1965 at 2323 Leopard Street)

#### 4. <u>25-1483</u> Subcommittee Appointments

Subcommittee appointments are as follows:

Video-

Commissioner Wanzer

Chairman Dr. Pruitt

Art-

Commissioner Mumme

Chairman Dr. Pruitt

Publicity-

Commissioner Moreno

Chairman Dr. Pruitt

# VI. Historic Preservation Officer Report: None

## VII. Future Agenda Items

Chairman Dr. Pruitt stated to the commission that United States 250th anniversary would be coming up next year.

## VIII. Adjournment

Being no other business to discuss, Chairman Pruitt entertained for a motion to adjourn. Commissioner McLaughlin made motion for the meeting to be adjourned. Commission Riggle seconded. The Vote: All Ayes. Meeting adjourned at 5:28 pm