

AGENDA MEMORANDUM

Action Item for the City Council Meeting of July 27, 2021

DATE: July 20, 2021

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City Bakery Landmark Designation

CAPTION:

Motion to initiate the process for historic landmark designation for City Bakery, at or near 810 19th St. (District 1)

SUMMARY:

This motion authorizes the city to initiate the process for historic designation for City Bakery. The current owner and granddaughter to founder of City Bakery, Barbara Handy, has consented to the designation.

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE:

City Bakery is a well-known neighborhood icon that has operated since 1958 and has been at the present location since 1962. It has been considered a "hub" of the neighborhood around St. Joseph's Church, serving breakfast, hosting celebrations, and providing meeting space to organizations such as LULAC (see Historic Summary).

Below is the review criteria for historic districts and landmarks as set forth in UDC 3.4.3:

- 1. The property has received prior recognition as a Registered Texas Landmark, National Historic Landmark or as an entry in the National Register of Historic Places.
- 2. The property has character, interest or value as part of the development, heritage or cultural characteristics of the City, State of Texas or the United States.
- 3. The property is the site of significant historic event.
- 4. Its identification with a person who significantly contributed to the culture and development of the City.
- 5. The property exemplifies the cultural, economic, social or historic heritage of the City.
- 6. The property portrays the environment of a group of people in an era of history characterized by a distinctive architectural style.
- 7. The property embodies distinguishing characteristics of an architectural type or specimen.

- 8. The property may be classified as the work of an architect or master builder whose individual work has influenced the development of the City.
- 9. The property embodies elements of architectural design, detail, materials or craftsmanship which represent a significant architectural innovation.
- 10. The property is related to other distinctive areas which are eligible for preservation according to a plan based on a historic, cultural or architectural motif.

Based on the property research to date, the property meets criteria 2 and 5.

The review process requires Landmark Commission and Planning Commission to hold public hearings and provide a recommendation to City Council. A public hearing is also held at City Council.

Public notice includes mailings to properties within 200 feet, a zoning sign placed on the site, and a newspaper notice advertising the Landmark Commission and City Council hearings.

If designated, any future potential proposed changes to the building that are beyond ordinary repair and maintenance and demolition would require a Certificate of Appropriateness from the Landmark Commission.

ALTERNATIVES:

The alternative is that City Council not to authorize the initiation of the process. In that case, the owner would be responsible for submitting the application and paying the zoning application fees for landmark designation.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Fiscal impact is negligible. The zoning fee is \$1,127.50 for the .3156-acre property including the zoning sign. The City staff would process the zoning case. Publication, mailing and sign costs of approximately \$555.00 would be absorbed by the department.

FUNDING DETAIL:

Fund: Development Services (4670)

Mission Elem: Revenue (888)

Project: N/A

Account: Zoning Fees (308300)

Activity: NA Amount: -\$555.00

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval.

LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

Historic Summary Location Map