

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

MINUTES of the Public Meeting of the **HISTORIC PRESERVATION AND DESIGN REVIEW BOARD OF THE CITY OF BROWNSVILLE** held at the Commission Chambers, on the Second Floor of the Brownsville City Hall – Old Federal Building, located at 1001 East Elizabeth St., Brownsville, Cameron County, Texas, 78520, on **Friday, February 9, 2018 at 12:00 p.m.**, with the following members present:

Voting Members Present

Trey Mendez, Chairman
Calvin Walker, Board Member
Lawrence Lof, Board Member
Rolando Garza, Board Member
Joseph A. Rodriguez, Board Member
Tara Putegnat, Board Member

Members Absent

Philip Samponaro, Board Member

City Staff

Omar Ochoca, Plans Examiner Supervisor
Juan Velez, Historic Preservation Officer (HPO)
Myrna Leal, Planner I
Eleazar Rodriguez, Plans Examiner Manager
Francesca Linder, Zoning and Subdivision Administrator
Miriam Suarez, Downtown District Manager

I. CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER

With a quorum present, Vice Chairman Calvin Walker called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Board member Rolando Garza moved to **approve** the January 12, 2018 minutes; motion was seconded by Board member Lawrence Loff, and **carried unanimously**.

Chairman Trey Mendez arrived and assumed Chairman duties.

III. PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. Public Hearing and ACTION to allow the new construction of a wooden ADA ramp at 380 E. Levee St.

Board member Calvin Walker moved to **approve** the new construction of the wooden ADA ramp; the motion was seconded by Board member Rolando Garza, and **carried unanimously**.

2. **Public Hearing and ACTION to allow the construction of a rear porch and gazebo at 122 E. St. Charles St.**

REMOVED FROM AGENDA

3. **Public Hearing and ACTION to allow the new construction of a single family dwelling at 805 E. Taylor St.**

Board Member Lawrence Loff moved to **approve** the new construction of a single family dwelling with the recommendation that light colored brick be used; motion was seconded by Board Member Calvin Walker, and **carried unanimously**.

4. **Public Hearing and ACTION to allow the remodel of a commercial building at 1604 E. 7th St.**

Board Member Calvin Walker moved to **approve** the remodel of the commercial building; motion was seconded by Board Member Rolando Garza, and **carried unanimously**.

5. **Public Hearing and ACTION to allow the new construction of a triplex at 1114 E. Ringgold St.**

Board Member Lawrence Loff moved to **approve** the construction of the triplex with recommendations made by the Historic Preservation Officer; the motion was seconded by Board Member Tara Putegnat, and **carried unanimously**.

6. **Public Hearing and ACTION to allow the new construction of a single family dwelling at 1104 W. St. Francis St.**

Board Member Calvin Walker moved to **approve** the new construction of a single family dwelling; motion was seconded by Board Member Rolando Garza, and **carried unanimously**.

7. **Public Hearing and ACTION to allow the new construction of a single family dwelling at 515 E. Adams St.**

Board Member Calvin Walker made a motion to **approve** the new construction of a single family dwelling; the motion was seconded by Board Member Rolando Garza, and **carried unanimously**.

8. Public Hearing and ACTION to allow the painting and repair of the west wall of the Majestic Theatre located at 1000 E. Elizabeth St.

Board Member Calvin Walker moved to **approve** the repair of the Majestic Theatre so long as it follows the recommendations made by the Historic Preservation Officer. The exposed brick will be cleaned using a low pressure wash and the hole in the west wall will be repaired with similar styled brick as recommended by the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation and the Brownsville Design Guidelines. Any and all future work must obtain a permit. The motion was seconded by Board Member Tara Putegnat, and **carried unanimously**.

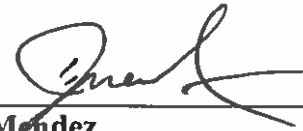
ADJOURNMENT: 1:12 p.m.

Approved on this 13 day of April, 2018

Attest:



Juan Velez
Historic Preservation Officer



Trey Mendez,
Chairman