



# City of Farmers Branch

## Minutes

### Historical Preservation & Restoration Board

Farmers Branch  
Dodson House  
2540 Farmers Branch Ln  
Farmers Branch, TX 75234

Thursday, April 25, 2024

6:30 PM

Dodson House

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<b>Absent</b>	1 – Member Ann Christman
<b>Presiding</b>	1 – Chair Missy Dours
<b>Present</b>	7 – Member Samaria Cate, Member Christian Martinez, Alternate Sharon Montgomery, Member Van Reece, Alternate Elizabeth Villafranca, Member Teresa Webster, and Member Ginny Welch
<b>Staff</b>	1 – Hillary Kidd, Historical Park Manager
<b>Guests</b>	1 – Patsy Mayo, Board Emeritus

#### A. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chair, Missy Dours at 6:31 PM.

#### B. CITIZEN COMMENTS

This agenda item provides an opportunity for citizens to address the Board or Committee on any matter that is not posted on the agenda. Anyone wishing to address the Board or Committee should complete a Citizen Comments Registration Form and submit it to the Board Liaison or Board Chair prior to the start of the meeting. There is a three (3) minute time limit for each citizen to speak with a reasonable limitation on speakers on one topic or item with a maximum of fifteen total minutes on the same topic item. Anyone wishing to speak shall be courteous and cordial.

The Board or Committee is not permitted to take action on any subject raised by a speaker during Citizen Comments. However, the Chair may have the item placed on a future agenda for action; refer the item to the City Administration for further study or action; briefly state existing City policy; or provide a brief statement of factual information in response to the inquiry.

There were no comments made.

#### C. AGENDA ITEMS

**24-298 Consider approval of the March 28, 2024 meeting minutes; and take appropriate action.**

Member Teresa L. Webster moved the minutes of the March 28, 2024 Board minutes be approved as written. Member Van Reece seconded. Motion carried by the following vote:

**Absent 1** – Member Ann Christman

**Aye 7** – Member Samaria Cate, Member Christian Martinez, Alternate Sharon Montgomery, Member Van Reece, Alternate Elizabeth Villafranca, Member Teresa Webster, and Member Ginny Welch

**24-299 Receive an Event Center update; and take appropriate action.**

Historical Park Manager, Hillary Kidd gave the update for Event Center Manager, Lynnette Hill. Construction is 90% complete and the NanaWall Glass Wall System has been installed. A come and go preview is scheduled for Tuesday, April 30 at 5 PM. Light refreshments will be served. A VIP event for current and formers Historical Park Board members, Friends of the Farmers Branch Historical Park, current and past volunteers, and anyone previously involved with the Park has been planned for Thursday, June 20, 2024.

**24-301 Discuss May, July, November, and December Board meetings; and take appropriate action.**

Future meeting dates were discussed and the following meeting dates were proposed: May 16, June 20, and November 14. The Board typically does not meet in July or December. Member Teresa L. Webster moved the May meeting be held May 16, the June meeting/tour of Venue 1842 be held on June 20, the July meeting be canceled, the November meeting be moved to November 14, and the December meeting be canceled. Member Samaria Cate seconded. Motion carried by the following vote:

**Absent 1** – Member Ann Christman

**Aye 7** – Member Samaria Cate, Member Christian Martinez, Alternate Sharon Montgomery, Member Van Reece, Alternate Elizabeth Villafranca, Member Teresa Webster, and Member Ginny Welch

**24-302 Receive an update on Historical Park current projects, events, and upcoming activities.**

Historical Park Manager, Hillary Kidd gave the update.

A listing of events was included in the current Board packet. Highlights for upcoming events include:

- April 27 – Fishin' Fun, 8 AM at Gussie Field Watterworth Park
- May 2 – Charcuterie Board Class, 6:30 PM
- May 4 – Lawn Games, 12:30 – 5:30 PM (come & go)
- May 5 – Mums & Sons: Adventure in Wonderland, 1 – 3 PM
- May 11, June 1, and July 13 – Denton Drive Live, 5:45 PM at Historical Park
- July 3 – Independence Day Celebration, 6 PM

**24-303 Receive an update from Board members on parks, programs, events, or facilities attended in the City of Farmers Branch.**

Chair Missy Dours, Alternate Sharon Montgomery, Member Van Reece, Alternate Elizabeth Villafranca, and Member Ginny Welch attended the Boards and Commissions Awards Dinner on April 6, 2024.

Member Teresa L. Webster and Member Ginny Welch attended the Denton Drive Live on April 13, 2024 at the Historical Park.

**24-229 Discuss agenda items for future Historical Preservation and Restoration Board meetings.**

Chair Missy Dours asked for an update on the STEPS program.

**D. ADJOURNMENT**

Member Samaria Cate moved to adjourn the meeting. Member Teresa L. Webster seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 6:55 PM.

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Chair

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Secretary