



## MINUTES

### DALLAS COUNTY HISTORICAL COMMISSION

March 15, 2023

Commission Acting Chair Elizabeth Gunby called the meeting to order at 11:30 a.m. This meeting was held at the Oak Cliff Government Center, 702 E Jefferson Blvd, Dallas, TX, 75203.

**Members present:** Elizabeth Gunby, John Roppolo, Jearlene Miller, Coy Poitier, Patricia Hicks, Priscilla Escobedo, Joan Jackson-Bouldin, Elizabeth Caldcleugh Ginsberg, Roosevelt Nichols, Elizabeth DeLeon, Anthony A. Cornell, Sr.

**Members absent:** Cheryl Jackson

**1. Call to Order and Roll Call**

Ms. Gunby welcomed all members and attendees. Mia Brown noted a quorum was present.

**2. Public Comment**

There was no public comment.

**3. Approval of the January 18, 2023, Minutes**

Ms. Miller moved that the minutes from the Commission's January 18, 2023, meeting be approved with a change to the attendees, and Ms. Hicks seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

**4. Welcome of New Commission Members**

Ms. Gunby welcomed two new members to the DCHC: Elizabeth Caldcleugh Ginsberg and Anthony A. Cornell, Sr., both representing District 2.

**5. Committee Reports**

**a. Newsletter Committee (Obj. 1a, b, c)**

Ms. DeLeon stated that the committee chair has stepped down from the DCHC and the members must decide how to move forward. Ms. Gunby reminded the members that they each have a responsibility to contribute at least one article per year to the Chronicle. Ms. Jackson-Bouldin and Ms. Ginsberg volunteered to assist Ms. DeLeon with the compilation of the newsletter.

**b. Marker Committee (Obj. 5, 6)**

Mr. Roppolo informed the members that new marker applicants are contacting him for the 2023 application cycle and that inscriptions from the 2022 cycle are coming in. He received the first complete application for 2023 from Oakland Cemetery. He noted that Ms. DeLeon agreed to be the co-chair of the committee and that Ms. Miller is a new member of the committee. The marker dedication for the 1966 Martin Luther King, Jr. speech at McFarlin Auditorium on the SMU campus was held February 21<sup>st</sup>. Ms. Hicks noted that it was a very moving dedication.

**c. Events/Outreach Committee (Obj. 2, 4)**

Mr. Poitier said that the DCHC is once again sponsoring the Best Historical Film Award at the Dallas International Film Festival this spring after a hiatus during the pandemic. The festival will run from April 28 to May 3.

**6. RTHL Project**

Ms. Gunby reminded the members that the Texas Historical Commission is building a smartphone app for Recorded Texas Historic Landmarks and is relying on county historical commissions to provide photos for each property in their county. She gave an overview of the instructions for taking and submitting photos. Members signed up to take photos of homes by zip code. They can email the photos to Ms. Gunby or bring them to future meetings for upload to her computer.

**7. Future Agenda Items**

No future agenda items were proposed.

**8. Upcoming Meetings**

- a. Next Meeting Date: April 19, 2023

**9. Adjourn**

Ms. Gunby adjourned the meeting at 12:30 p.m.