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## **ROCKPORT HERITAGE DISTRICT BOARD MINUTES**

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On this the 9th day of June, 2014 the Rockport Heritage District Board of the City of Rockport held a regular meeting at 10:05 a.m. at the Rockport City Hall, 622 E. Market Street, Rockport, Texas; and notice of meeting giving time, date and subject having been posted as described in V.T.C.A., Government Code § 551.041.

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### **Members Present**

Lee Copeland – Chairman  
Jim Godfrey – Vice-Chairman  
Loretta J. Schindler – Secretary  
Janie White - Member

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### **Members Absent**

Penny Hong – (EX.)

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### **Staff Members Present**

Mike Henry, Director Building and Development  
Kristi Petty, Assistant to Director

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### **Guest(s) Present**

No Guest Present

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### **Opening Agenda**

1. Meeting was called to order at approximately 10:06 a.m.

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### **Public Hearing**

2. N/A.

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### **Regular Agenda**

3. **Deliberate and act on the minutes from the April 7, 2014 regular meeting.**

Member Janie White stated she had not received the minutes from the March 24, 2014 meeting. Lee Copeland – Chairman noticed errors on April 7, 2014 minutes. Mr. Henry stated modifications to the April minutes will be made to and will be brought to next meeting.

**4. Deliberate and act on recommendations concerning the issue of “Major Street Frontages” from the Rockport Heritage District Zoning Overlay Code, Section 3 Administration, subsection 3.11.5, regarding wording of first sentence.**

Mr. Henry reviewed the red lined items from the consultant’s report. The Board discussed proposed development of sidewalks on the corner of Church and Main streets, as well as creating an escrow account for future sidewalk developments. Mr. Henry also recommended a fee/cost to the developer based on cost of linier footage. Loretta J. Schindler – Secretary asked if curbs would be included in this fee. Mr. Henry advised curbs, seating arrangements, lighting and land scape would be the City’s responsibility. Mr. Henry recommended that the word “should” be replaced with “at the discretion of”.

**Motion:**

Mr. Henry asked for a motion to except these changes. Motion made by Secretary Schindler. Motion seconded by Member White.  
All members voted unanimous.

**5. Deliberate and act on recommendations concerning proposed amendment to Rockport Heritage District Zoning Overlay Code, Section 5 Heritage District Zoning Overlay Regulating Plan, subsection 5.2, regarding type “A” and type “B” streets, along with the regulating map, Appendix A – Overlay Regulating Plan.**

Chairman Copeland expressed his concerns regarding all south to north streets be designated type “A” streets, instead of type “B” streets. Mr. Henry stated a third category to be called type “general” will be added. Mr. Henry also stated as development continues, these streets can be determined at later time. Lee Copeland-Chairman expressed a concern with Water St. not being a type “A” street and the service end of a building running down Water Street. Secretary Schindler questioned why Rockport City Hall was not covered in the “red” section of the regulating plan. Mr. Henry stated that the consultant felt this was the primary development area/target area, and the other areas have little or no development.

Member White inquired if there were any type-“General” streets identified on the regulating plan. Mr. Henry stated these streets are not marked with any color. Mr. Henry suggested these streets be identified in some way, possibly with a color or symbol. Member Janie White concurred.

Mr. Henry reviewed the consultant’s recommendations of the accessibility of handicapped ramps.

**Motion:**

Chairman Copeland made the motion that in the regulating plan, all north and south streets including Live Oak, Church, and Water streets all be designated type "A". Secretary Schindler seconded the motion. All voted unanimously – motion carried.

**6. Deliberate and act on recommendations concerning a proposed amendment to Rockport Heritage District Zoning Overlay Code, Section 6 Character District Building Form & Development Standards, subsection 6.5.2-M, regarding measurement of "Ceiling Height."**

Mr. Henry stated he had an issue with section "M" first floor to floor height is 12ft minimum for commercial and has been changed to 9ft minimum for residential. His concern is that the floor to floor is not represented on the diagram under "M", it is floor to ceiling. Mr. Henry suggested the arrows go to the floor above, not the ceiling above. Chairman Copeland suggested that Mr. Henry go over the wording on the "floor to ceiling" section with the consultant.

After some additional discussion, Chairman Copeland recommended the Board moved on to the next item.

**Motion:**

Vice-Chairman Godfrey made the motion that action to line item #6 be to save and except the changes on the floor to ceiling height. Secretary Schindler seconded the motion. All voted unanimously-motion carried.

**7. Deliberate and act on proposed public education materials for the Rockport Heritage District Zoning Overlay Code.**

Secretary Schindler requested a few corrections be made to the education materials.

**Motion:**

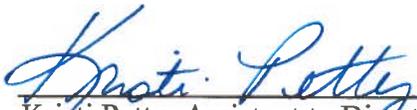
Member White made the motion to except the letter with the corrections. Vice-Chairman Godfrey seconded the motion. All voted unanimously-motion carried.

**8. Deliberate and act on completing the quarterly presentation to the City Council.**

Mr. Henry stated that he had a concern with what happened in the meeting on Oct 7<sup>th</sup> and the way it was written with no items discussed. Secretary Schindler found notes that the meeting was one of the first meetings and nothing was discussed. Secretary Schindler stated that she needs March minutes to approve finish her quarterly reports.

There being no further business, President Copeland adjourned the meeting at approximately 11:00 a.m.

Prepared By:

  
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Kristi Petty, Assistant to Director

Approved By:

  
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Jim Godfrey, Vice-Chairman