

## MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING

March 22, 2021

### MONTGOMERY PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION

#### CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Waddell declared a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 5:06 p.m.

Present: Jeffrey Waddell, Britnee Ghutzman, Merriam Walker, Keri May

Absent: Allyson Clark (attempted to join at 5:15, but connectivity issues prevented participation)

Also Present: Dave McCorquodale, Assistant City Admin. / Director of Planning & Development

#### VISITOR/CITIZENS FORUM

No comments given.

#### 1. Consideration and possible action regarding new perimeter fencing for the Montgomery Old Cemetery at 310 Pond Street in the Historic Preservation District.

Staff introduced the item and reviewed the information included in the proposal from the Montgomery Historical Society. The proposal included replacing the existing chain link fence surrounding the cemetery with a new four-foot tall wrought-iron style fence, along with removal of an interior chain link fence in the cemetery that would not be replaced. Staff stated the Montgomery Historical Society received a grant from MEDC for a portion of the fence, and a condition of the grant was that all City processes were followed. The reason for the special meeting was to help ensure the grant requirements were followed for a visually significant project in the downtown area.

Merriam Walker asked who was responsible for maintaining the fence. Staff stated the property was owned by the Historical Society, and the City would address the property owner for those issues. Kirk Jones, representing the Historical Society, confirmed they would be responsible for maintenance. Chairman Waddell asked if the Cemetery Committee helps maintain the cemetery, and Mr. Jones said they do not help with the Old Cemetery like they do with the New Cemetery. Mr. Jones stated one of the long-term goals for the property was to add brick columns in the fencing as budgeting allows.


Merriam Walker moved to approve the new fencing as submitted. Britnee Ghutzman seconded the motion, the motion carried unanimously. (3-0)

**Commission Inquiry**

None.

**Adjournment**

Britnee Ghutzman moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:23 p.m. Merriam Walker seconded the motion, the motion carried unanimously. (4-0)

Prepared by:  Date approved: 04/06/2021  
Dave McCorquodale

  
Chairman Jeffrey Waddell

Attest:   
Susan Hensley, City Secretary

