



HLC - Preservation Education Sub-Committee - Meeting Minutes
April 21, 2026 - 4:15 PM
Final

Development Services Conference Room
1200 E. Broad St., Mansfield, TX 76063

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Chairman Leach called the meeting to order at 4:15 p.m. in the Development Services Conference Room of City Hall, 1200 East Broad Street, with the meeting being open to the public and notice of said meeting, giving the date, place, and subject thereof, having been posted as prescribed by Chapter 551, Texas Government Code.

Staff Present:

Art Wright, Historic Preservation Officer

Preservation Volunteers:

James Johnston

Amanda Kowalski

Carolyn Wright

Commissioners:

Present: Jennifer Johnston, Thomas Leach, Mark Walker

Absent: None

2. DISCUSSION ITEMS

Discussion on the following items: A) Educational videos for the Mansfield Independent School District; B) Historic Preservation Month events; C) America 250 events; D) Decade Days festival in 2027; E) Preservation activities, educational events, outreach events and programs for 2026.

The sub-committee discussed the following items:

- A. Ms. Kowalski introduced Joe Carpenter, Oral Historian and Multimedia Coordinator at the University of Texas at Arlington to the sub-committee. The sub-committee reviewed the MISD educational video project with Mr. Carpenter, who said he may be able to assist with the video production after he confirms with the university.*
- B. The sub-committee reviewed the preparations for the upcoming Historic Preservation Month events, including the car show trophies created by Mr. Johnston and the props for the scavenger hunt.*
- C. Mr. Wright reported that the Communications Department would be posting a video inviting Mansfield residents to participate in the "Letters to 2076" time capsule.*

D. Mr. Wright confirmed that the draft budget for the Decade Days festival had been submitted to management for consideration in the 2026-2027 city budget.

E. In the absence of the museum staff, the discussion on other events was deferred to the next meeting.

The next meeting is scheduled for June 16, 2026, at 4:15 p.m.

3. ADJOURN

With no further business, Chairman Leach adjourned the meeting at 5:20 p.m.

Thomas Leach, Chair

ATTEST:

Art Wright, Historic Preservation Officer