

# **Historic Preservation Commission**

April 10, 2018, 5:30 p.m.

**Council Auditorium  
City Hall, 103 North Perry Street**

## **HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION MEMBERS**

Dr. Richard Bailey, Chair

Ms. Carole King, Vice-Chair

Mrs. Sangernetta Gilbert Bush

Mr. Walter Bush

Mr. James Long

Dr. Dallas Hanbury

Mr. Brian Mann

Mr. Douglas McCants

Mrs. Cindy Keeping

## **PLANNING CONTROLS DIVISION**

Thomas M. Tyson, Executive Secretary

***The next scheduled meeting of the Historic Preservation Commission is May 8, 2018, at 5:30 p.m. in Council Auditorium, City Hall.***

**The HPC is reminded to keep an eye out for Restoration of the Month candidates to submit for consideration**

**I. Approval of Actions from the March 13, 2018 Meeting**

**II.**

**a. Presentation: Carole King, 50 Years of Preservation in Montgomery**  
*upcoming presentations:*

- **May, Awards Program**
- **June, *available***

**b. Revamping the Historic Sign Program—Report**

Working Committee: Cindy Keeping, Carole King, Brian Mann

**c. Awards—Committee Reports (not all members have joined a committee!)**

- **Application review and selection—Carole King, Cindy Keeping, Dallas Hanbury**
- **PR/Media/invitations—Cindy Keeping, Carole King, James Long**
- **Reception—Brian Mann, Dallas Hanbury (volunteered Mrs. Mann and Mrs. Hanbury)**
- **Application at end of agenda**

**d. Awards add on for 2019—Preservation Leadership Class**

Notes from Mobile (cap attendance at 35)

1. History of Mobile
2. Architectural History of Mobile
3. Preservation & the law. Federal legislation, National Register of Historic Places, tax credits, state law, LID bill, local ordinance
4. Architectural Review Board, what it means to live in a Historic District, what you have to do. Mobile pulls out a reviewed project that was not a slam dunk, and has the class sit as the review board and staff to review the project. They discuss the threshold for decision making, which like our ordinance, is to evaluate the adverse impact on the property and the district. If they have enough people they divide into groups and present projects to the “Board”
5. Tour of building with “issues”. They discuss what needs to be done, what is appropriate rehab, address code issues.
6. Tour of Church Street graveyard and supper—gumbo or jambalaya.

With graduation and the addition of a survey class, this would be an 8 week offering. The May 2019 HPC meeting will be May 14, so backing up 8 weeks would give us a start date no later than the week of March 25:

| Topic  | Class details  | Possible speakers                       |
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| History of Montgomery                                      | Overview of Montgomery's history and development (merging of two city plans, early "annexation", street car suburbs, segregation as part of development) |   |
| Architectural History of Montgomery/historic neighborhoods | In depth discussion of styles of Montgomery, neighborhood characteristics  | Christy/Carole or guest speaker?        |
| Architectural survey                                       | How to survey, how to read buildings?  | Christy (read), Collier/Hannah (survey) |
| Preservation and the law                                   | Federal Regs, NR, tax credit, state enabling legislation, local ordinance, LID bill  | Christy, Mary Shell?                    |
| Architectural Review Board                                 | Composition of Board, guidelines, what it means to live in a district, process, review exercise  | Christy                                 |
| Building tour?   | Work in progress or other building with issues?  | Invite Code official?                   |
| Cemetery & Supper?   | Oakwood & Hank's Grave—overview of Victorian use of cemeteries as park space, cemetery tour  |   |
| Graduation   | Part of HPC Awards program   | May 14                                  |

**Time:** Sessions should be no longer than 1.5 hours (5:30-7?)

**Place:** Venue will determine capacity (suggestions?)

**Partners:** Have discussed initially with Landmarks, may want to include Montgomery Co Historical Society.

- Develop brochure to distribute with application
- Invite high school students with letter of support from teacher?

#### e. Preservation Month Resolution

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF MONTGOMERY TO RECOGNIZE MAY 2018 AS  
NATIONAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION MONTH

WHEREAS, it is the purpose of the Montgomery Historic Preservation Commission to promote the preservation and protection of the physical character and quality of life in the city; to promote the educational, cultural civic awareness and general welfare of the city while providing a sense of commitment and continuity between the past and present through the encouragement of preservation and protection of historically significant sites and structures; and to foster civic pride and historic recognition through the preservation of the City's heritage; and

WHEREAS, historic preservation is an effective tool for managing growth, revitalizing neighborhoods, fostering local pride and maintaining community character while enhancing livability; and

WHEREAS, the City's Downtown Plan recognizes and encourages the importance of protecting and promoting its unique historic resources for economic development and tourism; and

WHEREAS, the Montgomery City Council supports the Historic Preservation Commission, forward thinking historic neighborhoods that requested design review to protect them, and other local history and preservation organizations in their efforts in maintaining the vitality of the heart of Montgomery.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Montgomery Historic Preservation Commission recognizes May 2018 as National Historic Preservation Month and call upon the people of Montgomery to join their fellow citizens across the United States in recognizing and participating in this special observance.

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

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Dr. Richard Bailey, Chairman  
Historic Preservation Commission

## *Montgomery Historic Preservation Commission*



# Historic Preservation Awards Program Call for Nominations

The Montgomery Historic Preservation Commission is proud to offer the Historic Preservation Awards program. The awards ceremony is scheduled for May as a local observance of National Preservation Month. With this special event, the Commission will recognize contributions and activities and celebrate historic preservation efforts and cultural resources that promote Montgomery's rich history and architectural heritage.

The goals of the Historic Preservation Awards program are:

- To encourage excellence in the planning, design, and execution of projects affecting the City's historic resources and heritage
- To raise greater public awareness and understanding of historic preservation efforts and their benefits to the City of Montgomery

### **Eligibility**

Any individual, organization, agency, or business that has demonstrated an outstanding achievement in historic preservation is eligible to receive a preservation award. Nominations may be submitted by any individuals, organization, agency, or business. Related projects must be located within the City of Montgomery and have been completed in the 2017 calendar year.

### **Judging**

A panel whose members are knowledgeable in local history, architecture, planning, landscape architecture, and historic preservation will judge and evaluate the nominations. The judges reserve the right to reassign award categories, to determine additional recipients for a given award, to disqualify nominations that are incomplete, and to eliminate inappropriate projects.

The selection process will be based on the following general criteria:

- The positive impact on historic resources in Montgomery
- The overall quality of the work (application of the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation)
- The project's or individual's ability to serve as an outstanding example for historic preservation
- The project's or individual's contribution to educating the public on Montgomery's history and architectural resources

### **Award Categories**

#### **Residential Projects**

Overall restoration

Reintroduction of detail (duplicate columns, brackets, doors, shutters, railings, reopen porches)

Best historic paint scheme (appropriate to the architectural style)  
Reclamation of abandoned or poorly maintained property (neighborhood stabilization award)  
Sensitive new additions to older buildings

### **Commercial/Adaptive Reuse Projects**

Overall restoration  
Best reintroduction of storefront  
Creative repurposing of a building

**Craftsmanship** (recognition of craftspeople doing restoration work on a detailed level)

### **Other Recognition Categories for Consideration**

UnderDog—Projects that are huge undertaking because of long neglect and deterioration  
Landscape/garden restoration  
Heritage education and outreach programming  
Robert G. Daniel Award

## **Nomination Procedure**

Each nomination must include:

1. A completed Nomination Form, included with this brochure.
2. A description (minimum of 50 words) explaining the project, service, or individual being nomination. This statement should clearly identify the purpose and scope of work, unusual challenges or innovative approaches, sensitive treatment of historic fabric, long-term impact, and any other information that supports the nomination as being exceptional.
3. A minimum of five (but not more than 12) photographs in .jpg digital format on a flash drive or cd rom highlighting the project, organization, or individual. For rehabilitation projects, before and after images are preferred. The items will be retained, so make necessary copies before submittal. All images will become the property of the City of Montgomery for educational purposes only.

## **Entry Deadline**

Nominations must be completed and delivered to Planning Controls at 25 Washington Avenue with all required attachments by April 6th. Nominations may be sent digitally to [canderson@montgomeryal.gov](mailto:canderson@montgomeryal.gov).

## **Awards**

Awards will be presented at the regularly scheduled May Historic Preservation Commission meeting on Tuesday, May 8<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Auditorium at City Hall.

For more information on the awards or nomination process, please contact [canderson@montgomeryal.gov](mailto:canderson@montgomeryal.gov) at 334-625-2041