

**MINUTES OF  
CITY OF WHARTON  
BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION  
Regular MEETING  
Wednesday, December 13, 2023**

Chairperson, Adraylle Watson, declared a Regular Meeting of the Beautification Commission held at City Hall, 120 East Caney Street, Wharton, Texas 77488 duly open for the transaction of business at 4:34 p.m.

Commissioners present were: Debbie Folks, Sheryl Joost, Adraylle Watson, and Nancy Mata

Commissioners absent were: Barbee Fortenberry and Rachel Roberson.

Staff members present were: Nathan Vogt, Code Enforcement  
Claudia Velasquez, Building Official  
Roderick Semien, Public Works Director

Visitors:

Motion to accept roll call by Debbie Folks seconded by Nancy Mata, all in favor.

**The first item on the agenda was Public Comments.**

There were no public comments.

**The second item on the agenda was to review & consider: Reading of the minutes for the Regular Meeting held on held October 11, 2023.**

Motion to approve by Nancy Mata seconded by Sheryl Joost, all in favor.

**The third item on the agenda was to review and consider: Financial Report.**

Commission reviewed YTD 2023-2024 budget. There were no actions taken.

**The fourth item on the agenda was to review and consider: Certificate of Recognition.**

Review and consider business/residence nominations for consideration of a Certificate of recognition.

1. Business –
2. Residence – *1916 Willowbend, 1505 Crestmont, , 201 Second, 608 Bell, 1112 Crestmont* discussed. Motion to accept 1112 Crestmont by Debbie Folks, seconded by Nancy Mata, all in favor.

**The fifth item on the agenda was to review and consider: Advocacy & Art**

- A. Advocacy (Debbie Folks)
  - a. Claudia Velazques updated the commission on the progress of the dog park equipment, and fixing of the fence.

- b. The commission approved of the Dog Park rules and signage and printed by Custom Creations for \$295, pending editing by the city. Motion by Nancy Mata, seconded by Debbie Folks, all in favor.

B. Art

- 1. Crosswalk (Debbie Folks) No Action Taken.

C. Community (Adraylle Watson)

- 1. Grant giving for projects & community requests for supplies/volunteers: No action taken.
- 2. Event/Merchandise booths: The commission decided to not take part in Snow Day by having a booth.
- 3. Train Depot Signs: Public works has repaired the post, and Debbie Folks has the signs at her house. It was decided that the commission will have a work day to paint the post and hang the signs on January 20, 2024 at 9am, will be confirmed at the next meeting. Debbie Folks will inquire about paint from Sherwin-Williams.

D. Education (Adraylle Watson/Rachel Roberson)

- 1. Social media campaigns: No Action.

E. Garden (Rachel Roberson)

- 1. Planter Adoption program: No action taken.
- 2. Civic Center Planting: No action taken
- 3. Painted Rock Garden: The commission approved using funds to make the purchase of 5 bags of rocks possible. Motioned by Debbie Folks, seconded by Sheryl Joost, all in favor.
- 4. Santa Fe Planters: It was proposed to do the work as the Committee. Debbie Folks will reach out to Alamo Lumber to inquire about donations of material.

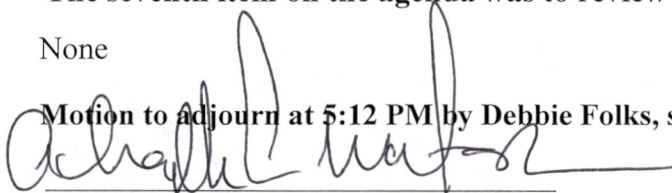
F. Trash/Recycling (Adraylle Watson)

- 1. It was agreed to set the Spring Sweep for April 20, 2024. The City Liaison will contact GFL to confirm this date is open.

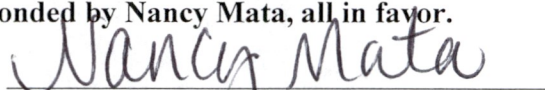
**The seventh item on the agenda was to review and consider: Announcements.**

None

**Motion to adjourn at 5:12 PM by Debbie Folks, seconded by Nancy Mata, all in favor.**



Adraylle Watson, Chairperson



Nancy Mata, Secretary