



## Legislation Text

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**File #:** Ord. 2018-46(b), **Version:** 1

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**AGENDA CAPTION:**

Consider approval of Ordinance 2018-46 (ZC-18-19), on the second of two readings, amending Section 4.5.2.1(B)(2) of the City's Development Code to establish the "Old African American Baptist Church" located at 219 West MLK Drive as a Local Historic Landmark; and including procedural provisions.

**Meeting date:** 11/20/2018

**Department:** Planning and Development Services

**Amount & Source of Funding**

**Funds Required:** N/A

**Account Number:** N/A

**Funds Available:** N/A

**Account Name:** N/A

**Fiscal Note:**

**Prior Council Action:** N/A

**City Council Strategic Initiative:**

N/A

**Comprehensive Plan Element (s):**

- Economic Development
- Environment & Resource Protection
- Land Use
- Neighborhoods & Housing
- Parks, Public Spaces & Facilities
- Transportation
- Not Applicable

**Master Plan:** N/A

**Background Information:**

The property is located at the corner of West Martin Luther King Drive and Comanche Street in the Dunbar Historic District. It is historically known as the Old First Baptist Church and is listed in the Historic Resources Survey of the Dunbar and East Guadalupe Neighborhoods (1996) with a High priority. Schools, churches and fraternal lodges provided a focal point for the social history of the neighborhood. The building that houses the Calaboose Museum and the subject property are the only surviving structures that represent these building types. The survey explains that initially, the property was rated with a Medium priority due to the alterations from 1953. After consultation with the Texas Historical Commission the priority designation was changed to High due to the church's significance to the community. The recommendation of the survey is for the subject property to be considered for local designation as an individual landmark.

**Council Committee, Board/Commission Action:**

The Historic Preservation Commission recommended **approval** of the request to designate the property as a local historic landmark with a vote of 6-0 at the September 6th Regular Meeting.

The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended **approval** of the request to designate the property as a local historic landmark with a vote of 8-0 at the October 9th Regular Meeting.

**Alternatives:**

**Recommendation:**

Staff recommends **approval** of the request as it meets the criteria of Section 2.5.4.5.