

ORDER APPOINTING COMMITTEE
THOMPSON'S CHAPEL CEMETERY

THE STATE OF TEXAS §
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COUNTY OF FORT BEND §

WHEREAS, Fort Bend County has received a request for maintenance and historic preservation of one or more historic cemeteries;

WHEREAS, Texas Health and Safety Code Section 713.028 allows a county to consider such requests; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioners Court of Fort Bend County, Texas has determined that the appointment of a committee to study Thompson's Chapel Cemetery (State of Texas Historical Identification FB-C125), the location named in the request, would assist the County in evaluating the request and developing a proposed course of action.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED by the Commissioners' Court:

1. A committee of seven (7) individuals that are county representatives and community stakeholders shall be convened, be appointed by the County Judge (two appointees), Precinct 4 Commissioner (three appointees), and County Attorney (two appointees).
2. That the committee is advisory in nature without control or supervision over public business or policy.
3. That the purpose of the committee is to investigate, research, and make recommendations to the County regarding, but not limited: to the historical Thompson Chapel cemetery and the second cemetery property located off 99 Grand Parkway adjacent to the New Territory Subdivision baseball fields.
4. That the committee's investigation, research, and recommendations shall include: but not be limited: to the following:
 - a. Pictures of the site
 - b. Deeds or other evidence of ownership
 - c. Reports from health authorities as to health risks
 - d. Reports from historical organizations as to the significance of the cemetery
 - e. Reports of the approximate number of remains buried in said areas using available technology
 - f. An examination of discriminatory practices as related to the burials and cemetery inception, maintenance, and use
 - g. Evaluation of maintenance needs

5. That the Committee shall meet to discuss findings and provide a written report to the Court within 60 days of the information and evidence gathered and possible recommendations to the County and/or request an extension of time not to exceed another 45 days for the Committee to complete the foregoing tasks.
6. Review additional requests received by the County in the same manner detailed herein, if so requested by the Court.

APPROVED BY COMMISSIONERS COURT this 22nd day of June 2021

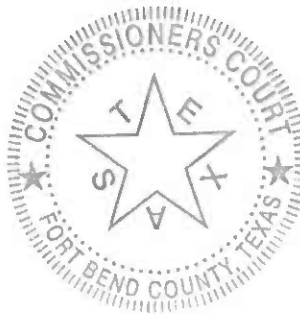


KP George, County Judge

Attest:



Laura Richard, County Clerk



APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:



Bridgette Smith-Lawson
County Attorney