

**CITY OF EL PASO, TEXAS  
AGENDA ITEM DEPARTMENT HEAD'S SUMMARY FORM**

**DEPARTMENT:** Economic and International Development Department

**AGENDA DATE:** April 17, 2018

**CONTACT PERSON/PHONE:** Providencia Velázquez, (915) 212-1567, [velazquezpx@elpasotexas.gov](mailto:velazquezpx@elpasotexas.gov)

**DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED:** 8

**SUBJECT:**

A resolution approving a historic building plaque award for the Martin Building, 215 N. Stanton Street, located in the City of El Paso, El Paso, Texas, pursuant to title 20.20.070 of the El Paso city code (**District 8**).

**BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:**

N/A

**PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:**

On May 30, 2006, the City Council voted to approve Ordinance No. 16370 amending Title 20 (Zoning), Chapter 20.67 (Historic Landmark Preservation) of the El Paso City Code in order to establish the procedure for the administration and preservation of historic landmarks in the city; provide for the procedure for the designation of historic property; and further provide for the application process to make alterations, demolition and removal of property that is designated historic.

**AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:**

N/A

**BOARD / COMMISSION ACTION:**

On February 19, 2018, the Historic Landmark Commission unanimously voted to nominate Lane Gaddy for a Historic Building Plaque Award for the successful rehabilitation of the Martin Building located at 215 N. Stanton Street.

\*\*\*\*\*REQUIRED AUTHORIZATION\*\*\*\*\*

**LEGAL:** (if required) N/A

**FINANCE:** (if required) N/A

**DEPARTMENT HEAD:**

Jessica Herrera

Adv. Director, Economic and International Development Department

*Adv. J. Herrera*

**APPROVED FOR AGENDA:**

**CITY MANAGER:** \_\_\_\_\_

**DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**RESOLUTION**

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING A HISTORIC BUILDING PLAQUE AWARD FOR THE MARTIN BUILDING, LOCATED AT 215 N. STANTON STREET IN THE CITY OF EL PASO, TEXAS, PURSUANT TO TITLE 20.20.070 OF THE EL PASO CITY CODE.**

**WHEREAS**, a Certificate of Appropriateness application for the rehabilitation of the Martin Building located at 215 N. Stanton Street (“the Property”) was approved by the Historic Landmark Commission on November 18, 2013;

**WHEREAS**, the Property was rehabilitated as per the approved plans;

**WHEREAS**, the Historic Landmark Commission nominated the Property for a plaque on February 19, 2018 in recognition of the successful rehabilitation of the building;

**WHEREAS**, the Property is a local landmark within the Downtown Historic District in the City of El Paso;

**WHEREAS**, the Property was listed on the National Register of Historic Places on August 8, 1984,

**WHEREAS**, staff has determined that the Property has met all of the criteria listed in 20.20.070 (A) (3).

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL PASO:**

1. Pursuant to Section 20.20.070 of the El Paso City Code, the City Council approves and authorizes the award of a Historic Building Plaque Award to the Martin Building located at 215 N. Stanton Street.

**APPROVED** this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2018.


**THE CITY OF EL PASO**

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Dee Margo  
Mayor

**ATTEST:**

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Laura D. Prine  
City Clerk

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

  
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Omar De La Rosa,  
Assistant City Attorney

**APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:**

  
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Jessica Herrera, Director  
Economic and International Development  
Department

## ECONOMIC AND INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

### MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** April 17, 2018

**TO:** The Honorable Mayor and City Council  
Tommy Gonzalez, City Manager

**FROM:** Providencia Velázquez, Historic Preservation Officer

**SUBJECT:** Historic Building Plaque Award

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On February 19, 2018, the Historic Landmark Commission (HLC) unanimously voted to nominate Lane Gaddy for a Historic Building Plaque Award for the successful rehabilitation of the Martin Building located at 215 N. Stanton Street. The Historic Preservation Office determined that the building qualified for a historic building plaque award based on section 20.20.070 of the El Paso Municipal Code:

20.20.070 - Historic landmark recognition.

- A. When approved by city council resolution, the HLC may honor property owners with a Historic Building Plaque Award. The award will be based on the following:
1. Nominations will be open to the public sector, private sector, and general public each calendar year that funding for the plaques is available. The deadline for submission of nominations will be September 1st. Nomination forms will be made available by the historic preservation officer. An HLC subcommittee may recommend not more than five structures to the HLC. Final decision, by the HLC, will be made at a regularly scheduled meeting;
  2. The HLC shall award a maximum of five plaques each calendar year;
  3. Criteria for awarding a Historic Building Plaque Award are as follows:
    - a. The building must be at least fifty years old,
    - b. The building must have an H-overlay, be a recorded Texas Historic Landmark, or listed on the National Register of Historic Places,
    - c. The building must have been rehabilitated and/or maintained in good condition, and plans prepared for the work approved by the HLC, evidenced by issuance of a certificate of appropriateness,
    - d. If the building was rehabilitated using state, federal, or community development block grant funding, plans must have been reviewed and approved by the state historic preservation officer (SHPO),
    - e. At the time of the award, the building must be in compliance with all municipal codes and ordinances,
    - f. Award winners may be honored at a subsequent city council meeting,
    - g. Recipients are required to display the award in a publicly visible location on the facade of the structure. Any replacement plaques will be acquired at the owner's expense.

(Ord. 16653 § 2 (part), 2007)

**Attachments:** Resolution, photographs, map

**LOCATION OF PROPERTY**



## Pre-Rehabilitation Photograph



## Post-Rehabilitation Photograph





# City Council Agenda

April 17, 2018

Item 25.1

The Martin Building

Historic Building Plaque Award





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- The Martin Bldg. was designed by Braunton and Leibert in the Chicago style.
- Construction completed in 1917.
- Was listed on the National Register of Historic Places on August 8, 1984.
- Rehabilitation was approved by the Historic Landmark Commission in 2013.
- Was one of the first buildings in El Paso to use the state and federal historic tax credits for rehabilitation.
- Received an award from Preservation Texas in February 2018.