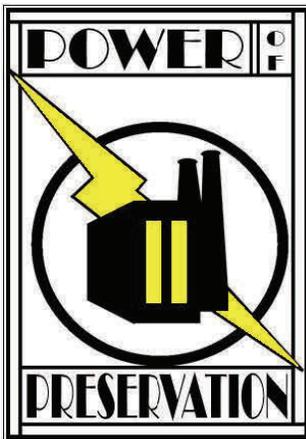


August 2012 Edition

A Message from the Historic Preservation Officer

I am thrilled to announce that **Glazer's Distributors** has committed to being the presenting sponsor of the *Power of Preservation* Campaign and the *Power of Preservation* PROMenade. We are extremely excited about this partnership and look forward to working with the Glazer's team! To date we also have CPS Energy and the San Antonio River Authority as Champion sponsors and the Downtown Alliance, Barkhurt & Hinojosa, P.C., NRP Group/Alamo Architects, and the San Antonio Conservation Society as Hero sponsors. Thanks to each of them! It's not too late for you to join.

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The campaign is a multi-media public outreach effort to raise awareness of the *power* of preservation in our community and will culminate in the inaugural Preservation PROMenade (aka Prom) and Preservation Pachanga at the historic Mission Road Power Plant on October 25. This event will be a fundraising gala with a twist. Proceeds from the campaign will benefit the Power of Preservation Foundation, which funds OHP's hand-on preservation programs including the S.T.A.R. Project and the Acquisition/Rehab/Resale Revolving Fund. Please visit www.powerofpreservation.org for more information and make plans today to become a sponsor or purchase tickets. Please contact Cory Edwards at 210.207.1496 or cory.edwards@sanantonio.gov for information.

Finally, I am delighted to announce that the City of San Antonio Office of Historic Preservation and the Historic and Design Review Commission (HDRC) received a 2012 Commission Excellence Award from the National Alliance of Preservation Commissions for "Best Practices: Public Outreach and Advocacy." OHP Principal Planner Anna Glover was present at the NAPC Forum in Norfolk, Virginia, to accept the award on behalf of OHP and the HDRC. This national honor is the result of the hard work of the dedicated OHP staff, extremely committed volunteer HDRC commissioners, and our many other wonderful volunteers. Thanks for your contribution! We couldn't continue our important education and outreach programs without each of you!

I look forward to seeing you on Saturday, August 25, at the Historic Homeowner Fair and the *Power of Preservation* happy hour event at Deco Pizzeria the same day (details to come) in the Monticello Park Historic District!

Thanks!

City News and Events

Mark Your Calendars!

Historic Homeowner Fair - Saturday, August 25, Jefferson High School

The Fourth Annual Historic Homeowner Fair will be held on Saturday, August 25, from 9:30 am to 3:00 pm at Jefferson High School. This event provides businesses, individuals, and organizations with a unique opportunity to raise public awareness of opportunities and services available for caring for historic structures. This year, attendees can look forward to presentations on historic landscapes, Mid-Century Modern architecture, compatible infill construction in historic districts, and more. The first public draft of the Historic Design Guidelines & Standards, which our staff has been working on with consultants Clarion Associates and Hardy Heck Moore, will be unveiled. Attendees can provide feedback on the guidelines and ask questions of the consultants. For more information on the fair, please contact Sara Ludueña at 210.207.4680 or sara.luduenia@sanantonio.gov. A list of our Homeowner Fair sponsors can be found at the end of this newsletter.



Get Your Power of Preservation Tickets and Logo Tattoos Now!

Tickets for the inaugural *Power of Preservation* PROMenade and Pachanga are on sale now! For information on individual tickets and tables, please contact Cory Edwards at 210. 207.1496 or cory.edwards@sanantonio.gov. We also have logo tattoos. That's right, tattoos! In support of our *Power of Preservation* campaign we have custom (temporary) logo tattoos. They measure 2"x3" and last for about a week. They are only \$1 and all proceeds go to support the Power of Preservation Foundation. Tattoos are available for purchase at 1901 S. Alamo Street. For more information, please call 210.215.9274. The tattoos are temporary...but their message is permanent. Get involved today!

Upcoming Go! Historic SA Guided Running and Walking Tours

Join us on the upcoming **2012 Go! Historic SA Guided Running and Walking Tours** offered this year. The guided tours are a great way to experience San Antonio's historic sites and get fit. At various stops along the routes, tour guides share stories behind the buildings, homes, neighborhoods, and parks of our historic city. Runners and walkers of all abilities are welcome, and participants are divided into small groups according to experience. Tours are \$15 and include a San Antonio "Know Your Place" t-shirt. Our next tour will be of historic Fort Sam Houston on Thursday, September 13, at 6:00 pm. This tour will be approximately 90 minutes. Come start your fall off at beautiful Fort Sam Houston! Online registration coming soon www.active.com or in person the day of the event.

Upcoming Running/Walking Tours

September 13, 2012

Fort Sam Houston

October 27, 2012

Eastside Cemeteries

December 6, 2012

Downtown Holiday Lights

February 9, 2013

King William

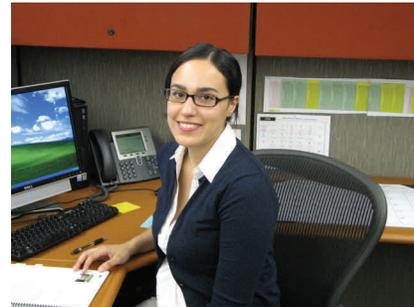
Meet the new OHP Planners!

Sara Ludueña is a San Antonio native. She earned a Bachelor of Arts in French Language and Literature from Barnard College in New York City before deciding to pursue a degree in architecture. Sara graduated from the University of Texas at San Antonio with a Master of Architecture and a Certificate in Urban and Regional Planning in 2011. Since graduating from UTSA, Sara has held positions with UTSA’s Sustainable Business Program, the College of Architecture at UTSA, and Toxey/McMillan Design Associates, as well as internships with the Monte Vista Historical Association and Villa Finale.



Cory Edwards joins the OHP staff with a background in architecture and cultural resource management. He graduated from Texas Tech University with a Master of Architecture and a Certificate in Historic Preservation. From there, he cultivated his experience in historic building documentation and evaluation, GIS mapping, and city planning. Cory worked for the City of Lubbock planning office and for Labat Environmental in San Antonio before joining the OHP. Cory has lived in San Antonio for two years with his wife Evie and two dogs. They enjoy hiking, running on the greenway trails, and visiting the Hill Country.

Adriana Munoz is a recent graduate from The University of Texas at San Antonio where she earned a Master of Architecture and a Certificate in Historic Preservation. As an undergraduate student, she acquired a strong interest in preservation. For the past two years, she has been involved in several research and outreach projects in San Antonio as part of a research assistantship at the UTSA College of Architecture, including the preservation component of the HemisFair Master Plan and documentation of the San Antonio acequias.



Westside Cultural Resource Survey – Potential Landmarks Meeting Monday, August 13th



The Office of Historic Preservation has partnered with the Westside Historic Preservation Alliance, the Esperanza Peace and Justice Center, the Westside Development Corporation (WDC), the San Antonio Conservation Society, the National Trust for Historic Preservation Partners in the Field Program, and other members of the Westside community to launch a [Westside Cultural Resource Survey](#). A Kick-Off Event was held in February 2011 to initiate the project. The Westside Cultural Resource Survey

is an ongoing initiative to identify, document, and protect places of cultural, historical, and architectural significance on the Westside of San Antonio.

Working with our community partners, we have identified numerous historic properties that are potentially eligible as historic landmarks. For a full list and photos of the Westside potential landmarks, see the Westside Cultural Resource Survey link above. We are hosting a **Westside Potential Landmarks Meeting** to solicit community feedback on the potential landmarks on Monday, August 13,

at 6 pm at the Mexican American Unity Council (MAUC) Community Room at 2300 W. Commerce Street. You are cordially invited to join us for this exciting initiative. Come let us know which resources matter most to you! Contact Elizabeth Porterfield at 210.207.3327 or elizabeth.porterfield@sanantonio.gov for details. Please see the flyer at the end of this newsletter for more information.

Preservation Partners: Meet Our Preservation Community

Lee Spencer White: Local Author and Alamo Historian



Lee Spencer White is a seventh generation Texan who has dedicated her life to the preservation and research of her beloved homeland. Her journey as a preservationist began twenty-two years ago after delving into her heritage, only to discover that her fourth-great grandfather, Gordon C. Jennings, died March 6, 1836, in defense of the Alamo. Since then, White has founded the Alamo Defenders Descendants Association, which enables the Alamo families to gather in order to promote and preserve their Alamo legacy. Over the years White has tirelessly researched the Alamo, discovering the identities of new defenders and formally marking the sites of defender funeral pyres amid San Antonio's historic downtown district. In 1994 she revived the tradition of laying a commemorative wreath to the Alamo defenders at San Fernando Cathedral every March 6th. This tradition had ceased with the death of San Antonio preservationist Adina de Zavala in 1955. White also placed a commemorative marker at

Adina's grave site in 1994, which was attended by a huge crowd and was the subject of an article in *Texas Highways Magazine*. She has co-authored two Alamo related books and is mentioned and or thanked in several others. White continues to crusade whenever necessary to preserve the memory, sites, and relics of those who died at the Shrine of Texas Liberty. In 2006, White was nominated for the Governor's Texas Women's Hall of Fame. In December of 2011 she traveled to Mexico's National Museum of History in Mexico City. While there, she was invited to a private viewing in the museum's vault of the famous New Orleans Grey flag which was captured during the Alamo battle. The flag has been housed in Mexico City since 1836, closely guarded as a national treasure. She was tearful and honored to be the first Texan to view the flag outside it's case. Her heart raced as she peered and breathed close to the flag realizing her Alamo grandfather had done the same a 176 years earlier. Today, White serves on a variety of history related boards and happily resides in Fredericksburg with her husband Larry and daughter Sam.

Be a Tourist in Your Own Town

Monte Vista

by Elizabeth Porterfield, Office of Historic Preservation

The Monte Vista Historic District provides a glimpse back into San Antonio's magnificent residential development of the early 20th century. Located slightly north of downtown and roughly bounded by Shook, Hildebrand, San Pedro, and Ashby Place, Monte Vista boasts some of the city's finest homes built between 1890 and the 1930s. Architectural styles within the neighborhood include Georgian and Renaissance Revival, Classical Revival, Spanish Eclectic, Tudor Revival and many more. Some of the

city’s premier architects of the 1920s, including J. Riely Gordon (designer of the Bexar County Courthouse) and Atlee B. Ayres (whose prolific work includes the downtown Tower Life Building and the “Taj Mahal” at Randolph Air Force Base), constructed homes in the neighborhood. The range of house styles, nestled among magnificent oak trees and lushly landscaped lawns, is striking and well worth a visit. The shaded streets are perfect for walking or taking a short driving tour.



San Antonio was the largest city in Texas by 1920, and the decades of the early 20th century were the city’s “Gilded Age.” Streetcars played a significant role in neighborhood development, beginning with mule-drawn cars in 1878. Electric trolleys soon replaced these, and streetcar neighborhoods were constructed across San Antonio. Monte Vista was no exception, with streetcar routes along San Pedro and McCullough Avenue providing easy access to downtown. Monte Vista’s



significant collection of historic homes, ranging from Craftsman bungalows and Tudor cottages to palatial estates, remains a lasting tribute to this time of great growth and development in San Antonio.

The Monte Vista Historic District encompasses fourteen subdivisions that were platted throughout the early decades of the 20th century. Laurel Heights, the first of these subdivisions, was developed in 1890 and remains reflected in the street name of Laurel Heights Place and the Laurel Heights United Methodist Church on Woodlawn Avenue. Other early plats within the neighborhood included Summit

Place, Summit Terrace, and Gramercy Place among others. Historic brick entrance gates at Gramercy Place denote the original subdivision. Monte Vista was the largest of these subdivisions and is today the name of the entire 100-block historic district.

Just a few of the “must see” places within the Monte Vista Historic District include the Landa Library, the Bushnell Apartments, and Kings Highway. The Landa Library, at 233 Bushnell, was built in 1928 as a residence for Harry and Hannah Landa. The grand Mediterranean style home on five acres was donated to the City of San Antonio in 1946 for use as a public library. Today, the property serves as the Landa Library and is open to the public. The beautifully landscaped grounds were recently redesigned and include a public playground. The interior of the home is well worth a stop and features original decorative tile work and marble floors.



Across the street from the Landa Library is the Bushnell. Completed in 1926 as a luxury apartment house, the Bushnell is one of only a few high-rise apartment buildings constructed in San Antonio during this time. Today, the elegant interior retains the original elevators, black and white marble floors, and ballroom. The roof boasts a large terrace with spectacular views of the San Antonio skyline.

Kings Highway, located slightly south of Bushnell between McCullough and San Pedro, is one of the streets in Monte Vista that you won't want to miss. The homes range in age from pre-World War I to the 1930s and reflect a wide variety of styles. Known as the "Avenue of the Cattle Barons," some of the most significant homes of the city were constructed here for many of San Antonio's prominent families.

Monte Vista became San Antonio's third local historic district in 1975 and is also listed in the National Register of Historic Places. With its stunning collection of historic homes, Monte Vista reflects the story of San Antonio's past. Take some time to enjoy the quiet beauty of the historic neighborhood, either on foot or by car, and enjoy a glimpse back into San Antonio's "Gilded Age." For more information on the Monte Vista Historic District, visit the Monte Vista Historical Association website at www.montevista-sa.org.

Local Preservation News



Better Block Project at Alamo Plaza

San Antonio and Team Better Block are working together to launch the first ever Better Block project at Alamo Plaza! This project will highlight the potential for creating a more people-friendly plaza experience on the street fronting the Alamo. Sign up to take part and help transform a public space. The project will take place on August 17th and 18th. For more information please see the flyers at the end of this newsletter or click [here](#).

Southern Texas Archaeological Association (STAA) Meeting Held in Victoria

The STAA held their summer meeting in Victoria, Texas, on July 14, 2012, at the Museum of the Coastal Bend. Over 45 attendees were treated to a special demonstration and instruction of atlatl throwing by the Atlatl Club arranged by Sue Prudhomme, Museum of the Coastal Bend, Victoria College. Dr. Robert Ricklis of TRC Solutions spoke on the question of long-distance contact/relations between Archaic cultures of the Texas coastal plain and the Eastern U.S.



Cannons from 41VT4, LaSalle's Fort St. Louis site, on display at the Museum

Frank Condon, Chairman of the Jackson County Historical Commission, gave a presentation which focused on the native peoples who lived in the Guadalupe River Valley. It covered three of the major archaeological excavations in that area, with emphasis on 41VT141, the McNeill Ranch. For more information on archeological events and news contact City archaeologist Kay Hindes at 210.207.7306 or kay.hindes@sanantonio.gov.

Call for Entries! “Somos San Antonio” - We are San Antonio!



Somos San Antonio is a special Fotoseptiembre USA exhibition celebrating the city’s urban neighborhoods. For 2012, the exhibition will highlight San Antonio’s West Side. Photographers of all ages are invited to photograph one of the more than 90 locations that have been identified as eligible for historic landmark designation by San Antonio’s Office of Historic Preservation. The best and most original entries will be selected for exhibition at the Villa Finale Visitor Center located at 122 Madison during Fotoseptiembre USA. Selected photographers will be recognized

during a special opening reception. The contest is open to San Antonio residents of any age. Photographers may submit up to three entries. The list of the West Side locations is available at the Somos San Antonio section at www.villafinale.org or at the [OHP website here](#). To submit a photograph, become a member of Villa Finale’s Somos San Antonio Flickr group and upload your photo at www.flickr.com/groups/somossanantonio. Include the title of your photo, where it was taken, and a sentence why it is important to you. Selected photographers will be notified by phone, so please provide contact information. Submission deadline is August 10. The Somos San Antonio exhibit opens August 30. Grab your camera and enter today! For more information call 210.223.9800 ext. 34323 or visit the Somos San Antonio section at www.villafinale.org.

Statewide and National Preservation News &

Preservation Stories

Follow the links below to fascinating and thought provoking preservation stories and articles from Texas and around the country.

[*Restoration of John Harrison House, Selma*](#)

[*“Save the Battleship Texas!”*](#)

[*“The Saddest House in New York City”*](#)

[*“Retailers Expand into Cities by Opening Smaller Stores”*](#)

Preservation Advocacy

Federal Historic Preservation Issues

Provided by Erik Hein, President, Preservation Action

Note from OHP: The mission of Preservation Action is to make historic preservation a national priority by advocating to all branches of the federal government for sound preservation policy and programs through a grassroots constituency empowered with information and training and through direct contact with elected representatives. What happens in Washington directly impacts the work we do at the local level: grant funding to Certified Local Governments, Preserve America and Save Americas Treasures programs, federal rehabilitation tax credit policy, etc. This feature is intended to provide information to those who are interested about the status of current national legislative priorities within the preservation movement.

For more information about Preservation Action or current issues on the national legislative agenda or for information about becoming a member, visit www.preservationaction.org or contact Shanon Peterson at shanon.peterson@sanantonio.gov. The following information is taken directly from the Preservation Action website www.preservationaction.org.

Sponsors Added to Historic Schools Act - More Needed

Last week we reported Rep. Michael Turner (R-OH) and Rep. Russ Carnahan (D-MO) introduced H.R. 6151, the [Rehabilitation of Historic Schools Act](#) in the House - the same bill that had been introduced in the Senate by Sen. Jim Webb (D-VA) and Sen. Mark Warner (D-VA) in October of 2011. Since then, several co-sponsors have signed on. (See list, right)

The bill simply amends the existing Federal Rehabilitation Tax Credit by allowing the rehabilitation expenses of public educational facilities that partner with for-profit entities to qualify for the program. With a great deal of discussion on the Hill about renewing expiring tax provisions, this is the kind of basic tweak to an existing program that enjoys broad bipartisan support. In fact, in November of last year, Sen. Webb (D-VA), Sen. Warner (D-VA), Rep. Eric Cantor (R-VA), Gov. Bob McDonnell (R-VA), and former Governors Tim Kaine (D) and George Allen (R), both of whom are running for VA Senator, [published an editorial in Politico](#) enthusiastically supporting this legislation.

According to the Department of Education's National Center for Education Statistics, 28 percent of all public K-12 schools were built before 1950. A recent study by the American Society of Civil engineers gave a "D" rating on the quality of our nation's public school buildings. In 2011, the Federal Rehabilitation Tax Credit leveraged more than \$4 billion in private investment and helped create nearly 56,000 jobs. Currently the only way for historic school buildings to be eligible for the historic tax credit is for them to be transferred to a private developer and switched to another use. This legislation would enable historic schools to be renovated and remain in use as schools. Follow the links below for more information.

Resources:

[Text of Legislation](#)

[Fact Sheet \(Issued by Sen. Webb's office\)](#)

[Turner/Carnahan Press Release](#)

[Webb/Warner Press Release](#)

[Preservation Action Letter of Endorsement - House](#)

[Preservation Action Letter of Endorsement - Senate](#)

[National Trust for Historic Preservation Letter of Endorsement](#)

[Politico Editorial](#)

Preservation Action encourages its members to contact their Representatives and Senators to ask them to cosponsor this important legislation.

Select Preservation Bill Monitor

H.R. 2555: Historic Homeownership Revitalization Act of 2011

Sponsored by: Rep. Michael Turner (R-OH), Rep. Russ Carnahan (D-MO)

Summary: Would establish a historic rehabilitation tax credit for homeowners and developers of historic homes.

Status: Referred to House Committee on Ways and Means.

H.R. 2479, S. 2074: Creating American Prosperity Through Preservation Act

Sponsored by: Rep. Aaron Schock (R-IL), Rep. Earl Blumenauer (D-OR)

Sponsored by: Sen. Ben Cardin (D-MD), Sen. Olympia Snowe (R-ME)

Summary: Would amend the existing commercial rehabilitation tax credit to create a larger credit for smaller projects, improve usability by non-profits, clarify the age of eligibility, exempt state credits from federal income tax, and establish an energy efficiency supplement.

Status: Referred to House Committee on Ways and Means.

H.R. 5930: Preserving America's Downtowns and Heritage Act of 2012

Sponsored by: Rep. David McKinley (R-WV)

Summary: Would increase the existing commercial rehabilitation tax credit to 25% and increase the existing 10% "non-historic" tax credit for older buildings to 12%. Would also establish a historic homeowner tax credit.

Status: Referred to House Committee on Ways and Means.

S. 1685 & H.R. 6151: Rehabilitation of Historic Schools Act of 2011

Sponsored by: Sen. Jim Webb (D-VA), Sen. Mark Warner (D-VA)

Sponsored By: Rep. Michael Turner (R-OH), Rep. Russ Carnahan (D-MO)

Summary: Would amend the existing commercial rehabilitation tax credit to allow rehabilitation expenditures for a qualified public educational facility (defined as a school facility which is part of a public elementary or secondary school and is owned by a private, for-profit corporation pursuant to a public-private partnership agreement) to qualify for the rehabilitation tax credit.

Status: Referred to Senate Committee on Finance

H.R. 1505: National Security and Federal Lands Protection Act

Sponsored by: Rep. Rob Bishop (R-UT)

Summary: Would waive activities related to border security enforcement from several review laws, including NEPA, NHPA, the Antiquities Act and the National Park Service Organic Act. The waiver would cover "certain sections of the international border between the United States and Mexico and between the United States and Canada [and] shall be considered to apply to all sections of the international land and maritime borders of the United States within 100 miles of the international land and maritime borders of the United States."

Status: AMENDED to removed maritime borders, and more narrowly focus eligible activities. Incorporated into H.R. 2578 and PASSED HOUSE June 19, 2012. Moves to Senate.

H.R. 1734 & S. 1503: Civilian Property Realignment Act

Sponsored by: Rep. Jeff Denham (R-CA)

Sponsored by: Sen. Scott Brown (R-MA)

Summary: Would establish a Civilian Property Realignment Board charged with, in consultation with local communities, identifying and analyzing surplus federal property for sale, transfer or disposal.

Status: PASSED HOUSE Feb., 2012. Referred to Senate Committee on Environment & Public Works.

H.R. 4099, the National Heritage Area Act of 2012

Sponsored by: Rep. Charlie Dent (R-PA) and Rep. Paul Tonko (D-NY)

Summary: Establishes program legislation and metrics for National Heritage Areas.

Status: Referred to House Committee on Natural Resources.

Any Bill introduced in any Congress can be found on Thomas/Library of Congress.

The full calendar for the House of Representatives can be found here.

The full calendar for the Senate can be found here.



Tax Credits for Designated Historic Structures

Are you planning substantial rehabilitation for your historic home or business? Before you get started, contact the Office of Historic Preservation to find out if the work may qualify for one of our local tax incentives or a federal tax credit. For more information on tax credits, contact us at (210) 215-9274 or at OHP@sanantonio.gov. You can also visit our website at www.sanantonio.gov/historic for more details.





Historic Structure Plaques

Historic Structure Plaques are available for purchase for individual local landmarks and contributing properties within local historic districts. The plaques visually identify properties and districts that have been officially recognized by the City of San Antonio for their architectural or historical significance. The plaques, available for purchase for \$95, are of cast aluminum with raised silver letters on a dark grey background. The plaques are approximately 7½ inches in diameter and ¼ inch thick. Fill out an application available on our [website](#) or stop by our office to purchase yours today.

HPTV: Historic Preservation Television

HPTV will be back with all new episodes starting in August! See the show on TVSA Channel 21:

Tuesdays @ 9:00am
Wednesdays @ 1:00pm
Fridays @ 7:00pm



[View current and past episodes of HPTV online](#) at the OHP Website (sorry, PC only). Recent episodes include a look at African-American history in San Antonio, information on our local historic districts, and much more! If you have a suggestion for a topic you would like to see covered on HPTV, please contact Nicholas Fuqua at 210.207.0066 or nicholas.fuqua@sanantonio.gov.

Office of Historic Preservation Online!

The Office of Historic Preservation is on Facebook! Facebook is a great resource for promoting preservation events and networking with other people in the community interested in preservation topics. Go to www.facebook.com and search for “City of San Antonio Office of Historic Preservation.”

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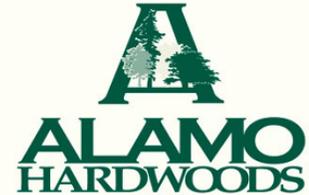
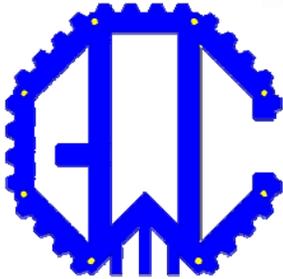
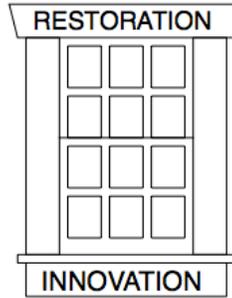
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Join the City of San Antonio Office of Historic Preservation, Councilman David Medina (District 5), Councilman Diego Bernal (District 1), and community partners for a public meeting about potential Westside historic landmarks.

Westside Potential Landmarks Meeting

City of San Antonio Office of Historic Preservation



Monday, August 13, 2012

6:00-8:00 p.m.

Mexican American Unity Council (MAUC)

Community Room

2300 W. Commerce Street

Community Partners:



Westside Historic Preservation Alliance

The Office of Historic Preservation (OHP) and several community partners have identified places of cultural, historical, and architectural significance on the City's Westside. These resources have been determined eligible for potential landmark designation. We need your input to determine which resources are most important to the community. Plan to attend the public meeting on August 13th and let us know which resources matter to you!

For the list of potential Westside landmarks, please visit the OHP website at: www.sanantonio.gov/historic under the Events and Announcements page (Westside Cultural Resource Survey).

For more information contact: Elizabeth Porterfield at 207-3327 or by email at elizabeth.porterfield@sanantonio.gov

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PRE-BUILD WORKSHOP

ONE WEEK PRIOR TO BETTER BLOCK



AUG 10, 5PM -10PM

AUG 11, 9AM - 1PM

104 ALAMO PLAZA
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The "Better Block" project is a community revitalization effort that temporarily demonstrates how to revision an area with bicycle, pedestrian and transit infrastructure mixed with art, culture and street life. As part of the City of San Antonio's Center City Development Office's placemaking initiative, the community is invited to help build a Better Block at Alamo Plaza between East Houston and East Crockett street.

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