RESOLUTION NO. R-2021-35

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BASTROP, TEXAS, GRANTING HISTORIC LANDMARK STATUS FOR 0.85 ACRES OF BASTROP TOWN TRACT A11, LOCATED NEAR FARM STREET AND WILLOW STREET IN FISHERMAN'S PARK, TO BE KNOWN AS THE MASON CHALMERS FIREPLACE, WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS OF BASTROP, TEXAS, AS ATTACHED IN EXHIBIT A; PROVIDING FOR FINDINGS OF FACT; PROVIDING A REPEALING CLAUSE; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City of Bastrop ("the Owner") has submitted a request for Historic Landmark status for the structure near Farm Street and Willow Street located in Fisherman's Park; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 9: Historic Landmark Preservation & Iredell District of the B³ Code adopted with Ordinance No. 2019-51 provides a designation process for historic sites and structures; and

WHEREAS, notice of the historic designation was sent in accordance the B³ Code to notify property owners within 200 feet of the property and Texas Local Government Code section 211.0165 to notify the property owner of the impact of the designation; and

WHEREAS, the Historic Landmark Commission held a public hearing and considered the request on March 17, 2021 and voted unanimously to recommend approval.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BASTROP, TEXAS:

Section 1: The Historic Landmark status for 0.85 acres of Bastrop Town Tract A 11, located near Farm Street and Willow Street in Fisherman's Park, within the city limits of Bastrop, Texas, is hereby approved and Exhibit A, a copy of agreement to be signed by the Owner, and incorporated herein for all purposes.

Section 2: The following findings of fact were established for the structure in Fisherman's Park:

Structure meets the following criteria:

2. Is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of local, regional, state, or national history;
3. Is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past;

Mason Chalmers was the original owner. He represented a family composed of many Bastrop citizens who for more than a hundred years have played significant roles in the life of this community.

1. Possesses significance in history, architecture, archeology, or culture;
4. embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of Construction;
5. Represents the work of a master designer, builder, or craftsman;
The craftsmanship that Mason Chalmers exemplified constructing the chimney/fireplace represents the can-do, make-do skills of early Bastropians who used what they could find and learned by trial and error. His craftsmanship is a significant example of local folk architectural art.

6. Represents an established and familiar visual feature of the City.

It is the only structure remaining from the land's pre-park use. In the 1990's the city added the covered shelter adjacent to the fireplace, creating a destination within the park.

**Section 3:** All orders, ordinances and resolutions, or parts thereof, which are in conflict or inconsistent with any provision of this Resolution are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict, and the provisions of this Resolution shall be and remain controlling as to the matters resolved herein.

**Section 4:** This ordinance shall take effect upon passage and in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas.

**Duly Resolved and Adopted** by the City Council of the City of Bastrop this 13th day of April, 2021.

**APPROVED:**

[Signature]

Connie B. Schroeder, Mayor

**Attest:**

[Signature]

Ann Franklin, City Secretary

**Approved as to Form:**

[Signature]

Alan Bojorquez, City Attorney
Historic Landmark Designation Agreement

As owner(s) of the property located on 0.85470 acres of Bastrop town Tract A11 located near Farm and Willow Streets, commonly known as Fisherman’s Park;

We, the City of Bastrop, wish to have said property designated as a Historic Landmark;

By the signature(s) below, we, the property owner(s) hereby acknowledge that we have received a copy of the current Chapter 9: Historic Landmark Preservation and Iredell District from the B1 Code (Ordinance #2019-51), and any amendments thereto; that we understand and agree to abide by the terms and obligations related to a Historic Landmark designation; and, in obtaining Historic Landmark status for this property, we agree to maintain said property in accordance with provisions governing Historic Landmarks in the Ordinance and the design guidelines governing same, as adopted by the Bastrop City Council, as such ordinance and guidelines now exist or may exist in the future.

Furthermore, we understand that by entering into this agreement with the City of Bastrop, we will be entitled to all incentives specified within Ordinance 2019-51 “Historic Landmark Preservation and Iredell District” and amendments thereto.

[Signature]
Signature of Property Owner

8/30/21
Date

Subscribed and sworn to me on this the 30 day of August 2021 to certify which witness my hand and official seal.

[Signature]
Notary Public in and for the State of Texas

[Signature]
Date

Blake Kaiser, Chair of the Historic Landmark Commission

Subscribed and sworn to me on this the 21 day of April 2021 to certify which witness my hand and official seal.

[Signature]
Notary Public in and for the State of Texas

[Signature]
Date

Approved by the Bastrop City Council on the 13th day of April, 2021.

[Signature]
Mayor

Subscribed and sworn to me on this the 30 day of August 2021 to certify which witness my hand and official seal.

[Signature]
Notary Public in and for the State of Texas

[Signature]
Date