

## TEXAS HISTORICAL COMMISSION

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**Item 14.3**  
Texas Historical Commission  
Quarterly Meeting  
July 25-26, 2022

### Consider Approval of Work Plan for 2023 Official Texas Historical Markers

**Recommendations for 2023:** For new historical markers to be considered for calendar year 2023, staff recommends application period dates of **March 1 – May 15, 2023**. This will allow sufficient time to score and rank all new applications. Staff recommends the following thematic priorities for 2023: **Community Planning and Development; Education; and Military**. Topics addressing these themes will receive additional points when new applications are scored. Staff recommends approving and processing no more than **170** new applications and no more than **15** markers produced through the Undertold marker program (accumulated Marker Application Funds). The total of no more than **185** historical markers in calendar year 2023 shall proceed by the following work plan schedule:

INTERNAL THC DATES		EXTERNAL CHC/SPONSOR DATES	
Jan. 2023	Marker applications posted to website	March 1 – May 15, 2023	Application period for new markers (due May 15 at 2 pm CDT)
		May 15, 2023	\$100 fee benefiting Undertold markers (postmarked due date)
March 1 – May 15, 2023	Staff processes and scores all applications		
		May 16-30, 2023	Public comment period for new topics (posted on website)
		May 29, 2023	Final day to submit missing or deficient components
June 2023	RTHL Meeting with DOA staff and scoring meeting with DDs, Admin staff		
July 2023	Commissioners review and comment on 2023 marker topics at quarterly meeting		
By August 4, 2023	Staff sends out payment vouchers to recommended topics	September 18, 2023	Marker fee due for all marker applications (postmarked due date)
October 2023	Commissioners select application dates, priority themes and number of markers to be processed for 2024		
Oct. 2023 – Feb. 2024	Staff gives workshops and webinars on successful marker applications and other topics		
		Oct. 1 – Nov. 15, 2023	Application period for Undertold markers

**Recommended motion (Committee):** Move that the committee send forward to the Commission and recommend approval of staff recommendations for qualified Official Texas Historical Marker applications and adopt a work plan to complete no more than 185 new historical markers in calendar year 2023.

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