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January 24, 2002

Mr. Robbie Baughman Denton County Public Works Denton Government Center 306 N. Loop 288, Suite 115 Denton, Texas 76209-4887

Re:

Project review under the Antiquities Code of Texas Denton County Courthouse, Civil War Monument fountain, Denton, Denton County (CH, SAL, NR, RTHL)

Dear Mr. Baughman:

The Texas Historical Commission received an Antiquities permit application regarding restoration of water service to the Civil War Monument on the grounds of the historic Denton County Courthouse. The application was received from a third party, Willie Hudspeth, who is coordinating the proposed project. This letter presents the comments of the Executive Director of the Texas Historical Commission, the state agency responsible for administering the Antiquities Code of Texas.

The review staff, led by Linda Roark, has completed its review of the information provided. The permit application (copy enclosed) was received with no supporting documentation on the work proposed, does not have your signature as the County representative listed and does not have original signatures as required. In a telephone conversation with our staff, Mr. Hudspeth indicated that he had previously sent the project plans and specifications for our review, but we have no record of receiving the project documentation.

Enclosed please find a blank permit application. If the County intends to cooperate with Mr. Hudspeth regarding the proposed project, please complete the County sections, with original signature, and provide the form to Mr. Hudspeth for completion with the architect's information and original signature. Mr. Hudspeth should then send the form back to us with the project description, plans and specifications, and photographs of the monument's existing condition.

We look forward to further consultation with your office and hope to maintain a partnership that will foster effective historic preservation. Thank you for your cooperation in this state review process, and for your efforts to preserve the irreplaceable heritage of Texas. If you have any questions concerning our review or if we can be of further assistance, please contact Linda Roark at 512/463-9122.

Yours truly,

for:/F. Lawerence Oaks, State Historic Preservation Officer

Enclosures:

copy of SAL permit application received on January 10, 2002 new SAL permit application

ce: Willie Hudspeth, project coordinator James Kirkpatrick, project architect Howard Smith, Denton County Historical Commission FLO/LR



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August 20, 2002

The Honorable Mary Horn Denton County Judge 110 West Hickory Denton, TX 76201



Re: Repairs to and restoration of the 1918 Confederate Soldiers Monument, Denton County Courthouse, Denton, Texas. (NR, RTHL, SAL)

Dear Judge Horn:

On July 22nd, we have received a State Archeological Landmark (SAL) permit application for work on the 1918 Confederates Soldiers Monument on the courthouse square. The proposal to restore the monument including the drinking fountains is acceptable however we will need additional technical information as the project proceeds. The Antiquities Permit #245 can be found attached and is being issued with the following conditions:

- 1. The project must be photographically documented as it progresses and a Project Completion Report filed with our office at the conclusion of the restoration.
- 2. We will need specifications for the proposed cleaning of the masonry and statue.

 Under most circumstances we do not recommend or allow the use of masonry sealers.

 The deterioration of the monument does not currently suggest that the use of a sealer is warranted. Cleaning specifications must be submitted and approved prior to their use.
- 3. The plumbing must be designed to allow the water to the monument to be turned off prior to reaching the monument itself. A method should be provided for draining water from the monument in the cold weather. The replacement plumbing must be designed with as few connections inside the monument as possible, to prevent future leaks. The faucets should be connected outside of the masonry. A diagram of the proposed plumbing layout, methods, and materials must be submitted to our office and approved prior to installation.
- 4. The newspaper articles from the monument's dedication record that items were placed in the monument's cornerstone. The county must make arrangements for these items to be received by and cared for by the curator of the county's museum.
- 5. New mortar for the monument must match the original in composition, color and tooling. These attributes must be documented prior to disassembling the monument and submitted with the completion report. It is essential that these attributes be faithfully replicated for not only appearance but to protect the structural integrity of the masonry and monument itself.

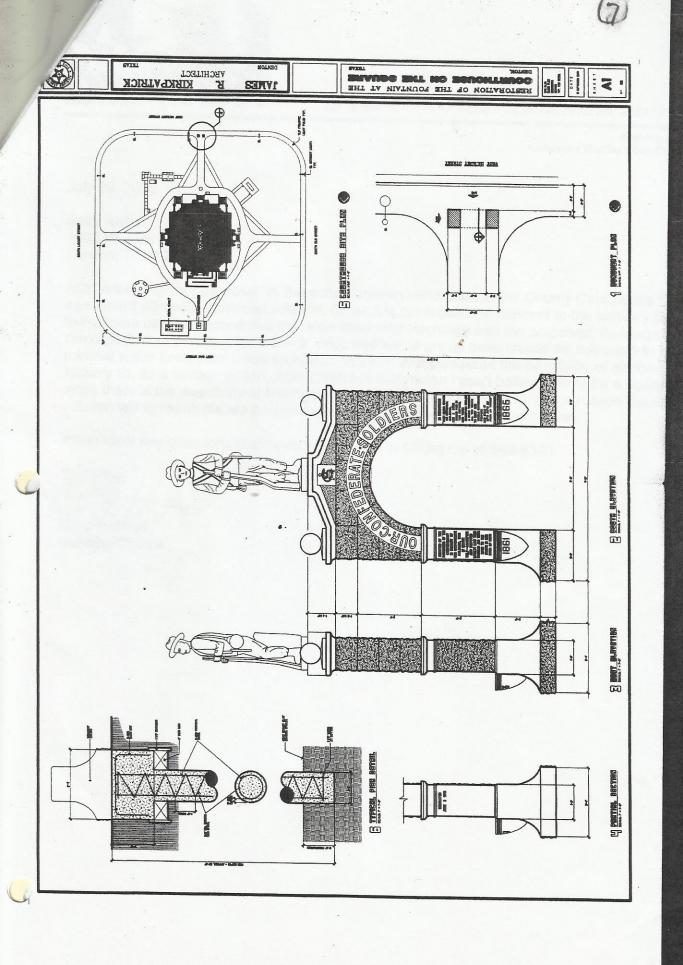
6. Evidence suggests that the monument once had a light under the arch. No evidence has been found to document the appearance of this light and it does not appear on the newspaper drawing from the dedication. We recommend that a light not be installed newspaper drawing from the dedication. We recommend that a light not be installed newspaper drawing from the dedication are appeared to appear of this project we will retained. Should the county wish to install a fixture as part of this project we will need to approve the selected fixture prior to installation.

We look forward to further consultation with your office and hope to maintain a partnership that will foster effective historic preservation. Please feel free to contact partnership that will foster effective historic preservations or concerns about this Bradford Patterson at 512/463-6167, if you have any questions or concerns about this review.

Sincerely,

F. Lawerence Oaks Executive Director

Cc: Dr. Howard Smith, Chair, Denton County Historical Commission
Willie Hudspeth, 623 Wewton, Denton 76205
James R. Kirkpatrick Architect, 100 West Mulberry St. Denton 76201-6047
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July 29, 2000

Salty Rishel 1003 W. Oak Denton, TX 76201

After reviewing your proposal for the water fountain restoration at the County Courthouse I am in agreement with your proposed solution. Given it is not feasible to connect to the sanitary sewer for such a low volume use it is agreed that the drain lines may discharge into the proposed "drainage wells" as we discussed. Your proposal for a 6' – 8' deep well with a gravel base should be adequate to handle the minimal water flows from these fountains. We had also discussed the possibility of discharging water onto Hickory St. as a second option. After careful consideration I don't believe this to be a viable alternative since there is the possibility of having standing water in the street. If for some reason the drainage well solution will not work please contact me so we can further discuss alternatives.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate in calling me at 349-8360.

Sincerely

Greg Witchell Building Official