

Brian Lee

From: STEVE AUSTIN <tfcvso67@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, December 05, 2018 2:26 PM
To: Brian Lee
Subject: GOLD STAR MARKER
Attachments: PROPOSED LOCATION OF GOLD STAR MARKER.docx

Judge Lee,

As I mentioned previously, according to the Texas Division President, Gail Wilson, National Garden Club, Mt. Pleasant is now only the 2nd city in the entire State of Texas to have the honor of paying tribute to our Veterans and the families of those who served and those who paid the ultimate sacrifice with both a Blue Star and Gold Star Marker. Abilene being the other Texas location.

Beyond that, Mt. Pleasant, will be the only Texas community to have 3 National Garden Club Markers. The 3rd Marker, an engraved stone monument, located to the right of the tennis court area entrance into Dellwood Park, was dedicated in 1950 to honored all who served in WW I and WW II. The marker is accompanied by a Red Bud Tree in memory of all who served and a Dogwood Tree in memory of all who died in those conflicts.

The larger Blue Star Marker, has been approved for placement at the MP/TC Chamber of Commerce Office. This marker is double-sided, so that it may be visible from US Hwy 271 and US Hwy 67. It will be placed in the approximate center of the grassy area just to the right of the Chamber parking area entrance. I hope to conduct the Dedication Ceremony on the Friday May 17, 2019, prior to Armed Forces Day (Saturday). I hope you will be available to attend.

This brings me to the Gold Star Marker. It is much smaller in size and single sided. I am requesting that it be placed at the entrance to our Memorial Monument the War Dead of Titus County. I propose it be placed to the left(north) of the Memorial Plaza entrance, within the perimeter of the existing rose bed, and that it be mounted on a short pedestal, facing toward the Bell Tower and slightly angled back so the the bottom would be about waist height. I have attached a visual aid for you to have a better idea of my proposal. If this could be considered in January or February, if approved, that would allow time to get it in place before a dedication date...either Memorial Day(preferred) or Friday before Gold Star Mother's Day (last Sunday in September). In either case, I hope you will be available to attend.

This would give our community an NGC Blue Star Marker at the North end of town, NGC Gold Star Marker in the center of town and the NGC Stone Monument at the southern end.

We both agree that we are at the saturation point for monuments on the Square... but this is appropriate and will actually enhance the Memorial Plaza.

Both Markers were paid for from the funds of the Titus County Memorials, Markers, Monuments and Statues Fund, that resulted from donations from the public and community organizations.

TITUS COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S COURT

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NAME: Steve Austin TMC / VSO

ADDRESS: _____

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Do you wish to make an inquiry under section 551.042 of the Open Meetings Act?

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Signature: [Handwritten Signature] Date: 12/10/12

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