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City of Austin’s Historic Cemeteries Master Plan to Receive 2016 Honor Award

Austin, Texas — Preservation Texas, Inc. has announced that the City of Austin’s Historic Cemeteries Master Plan will receive a 2016 Honor Award for Preservation Planning on February 18, 2016. The Honor Award will be presented at a special ceremony at the historic State Theatre on Congress Avenue as part of the Preservation Texas 2016 Summit.

The City of Austin’s Historic Cemeteries Master Plan provides a long-term framework for the management and rehabilitation of the five municipally-owned cemeteries: Oakwood Cemetery, Oakwood Cemetery Annex, Plummers Cemetery, Evergreen Cemetery, and Austin Memorial Park Cemetery. The plan documents their development, examines their current condition, identifies and prioritizes challenges and recommends treatment options.

“Historic cemeteries in Texas are endangered places,” said Preservation Texas executive director Evan Thompson. “The City of Austin’s historic cemeteries plan sets a terrific example for cemetery stewards across Texas to follow. We look forward to learning additional lessons from its ongoing implementation.”

The award-winning project team included the City of Austin, led by Kim McKnight, AmaTerra Environmental, McDoux Preservation and John Milner Associates.

Founded in 1985, Preservation Texas is a member-supported non-profit historic preservation advocacy and education organization based in Austin, Texas. The organization does not receive any government funding.

For more information, visit www.PreservationTexas.org or call 512-472-0102.