



Legislation Text

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**STRATEGIC PRIORITY:** Quality of Life, Arts & Culture  
**AGENDA DATE:** August 23, 2023  
**COUNCIL DISTRICT(S):** 6  
**DEPARTMENT:** Office of Arts and Culture  
**EXECUTIVE:** M. Elizabeth Cedillo-Pereira

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**SUBJECT**

A resolution designating 110 West Commerce Street as a location for a memorial plaque to mark the lynching of William Allen Taylor on September 12, 1884 - Financing: No cost consideration to the City

**BACKGROUND**

The Office of Arts and Culture, in collaboration with Dallas Water Utilities, seeks approval to designate 110 West Commerce Street for a memorial plaque to be installed at this location to mark the tragic lynching of William Allen Taylor. Dallas Water Utilities has jurisdiction over the site.

The Dallas County Justice Initiative and Remembering Black Dallas, Inc. have worked with the Equal Justice Initiative in Montgomery, Alabama to have the memorial plaque fabricated to commemorate and memorialize this event in the City's history.

To further the goals of the Racial Equity Plan, this action will continue acknowledging and recognizing the historical events that have shaped the City and raise awareness to residents of this tragic event.

**PRIOR ACTION/REVIEW (COUNCIL, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS)**

This item has no prior action.

**FISCAL INFORMATION**

No cost consideration for the City.