

A Meeting of the **Historic Preservation Board** was held on **Thursday, August 7, 2008** beginning at 2:00 p.m. in City Hall at 155 Corey Avenue, St. Beach Florida.

CALL TO ORDER: The Meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL: Ms. McMaster called the roll. Present were: Mr. Hurley, Jr., Ms. Pletcher, Mr. White, Mr. Shavlin, Mr. Parent, Mr. Holley, Ms. Matzke.

UPDATE ON CONSULTANT FOR PASS-A-GRILLE DESIGN STANDARDS

The City Commission declined to approve the \$35K contract for Design Guidelines. This should be handled by Community Development to save money. Commissioner Leonard is in favor of supporting this project. A discussion was held regarding using students at the University of Southern Florida to do some work on the project. The subject of History and Grants mentioned.

We should concentrate on a smaller area. Consult with a historical architect to establish a commercial area with FEMA Guidelines. We should see what another coastal city has done, such as Cape May, NJ.

City Manager Mike Bonfield joined the meeting and gave the history of the \$35K which was actually budgeted two years ago (FY 2007) but the project did not get done. It is not budgeted in FY 2008. Money cannot be carried over unless you have a valued encumbrance – a vendor or contractor.

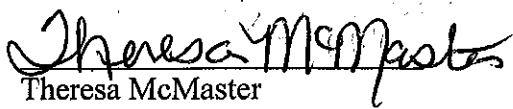
Out of respect for all the previous work that's been done, it was suggested that we e-mail the commissioners with regard to (1) Support the funding that had been approved, but turned down by the City Commission and is in the General Fund (valuable properties lose their character without this); (2) Litigation costs; and (3) Address some of the concerns of the Florida State Historic Board's observations on redevelopment. Having a consultant speak to the community would address the patchwork effect of the area and to have input from the community. To build in this area is expensive and the guidelines are an issue.

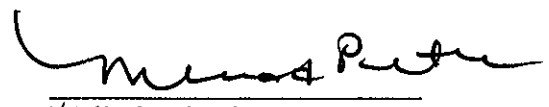
The Don CeSar is a historic building and is in the National Registry. They have expressed an interest to be a part of the historic district. Do the boundary lines include them? What's involved if you try to expand boundaries, and why would we ever need to shrink the boundaries?

DISCUSSION OF WORK PROGRAM AND GENERAL DISCUSSION

Everyone agreed that these items were covered in the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT - Meeting was adjourned at 3:45 p.m.


Theresa McMaster
City Clerk


Melinda Pletcher
Chairman