NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

The next meeting of the **Historic Preservation Board** will be on **Wednesday, March 3rd, 2010, at 2:00 PM** in City Hall, 155 Corey Avenue, St. Pete Beach, Florida.

Agenda

Call to order

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Minutes:

- **5/14/2009**
- **7/9/2009**
- **9/24/2009**
- **11/5/2009**
- **1/7/2010**
- **2/4/2010**
- **2/8/2010**

Discussion Items:

A) **Phil Christman from Public Works to discuss hexagon pavers in Pass-a-Grille**
B) **Board to give staff direction regarding new construction within the Pass-a-Grille Overlay**
C) **General Discussion**

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If any person decides to appeal any decision made at this hearing, they will need a record of the proceeding and, for such purpose, may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceeding is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based (F.S. 286.0105). The City does not furnish verbatim transcripts. Interested parties should make the necessary arrangements for verbatim transcripts.

HISTORIC PRESERVATION BOARD

MINUTES

March 3, 2010

The Meeting was called to order at 2:00 pm by Chairman Pletcher.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Ingrid Jacobus
Marvin Shavlan
Melinda Pletcher, Chairman

NOT PRESENT

Tom DeYampert
Frank T. Hurley, Jr.

ALSO PRESENT:

Catherine Hartley, Senior Planner
Teri McMaster, City Clerk
Phil Christman, Operations Manager, Public Services Department

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Marvin Shavlan to approve the Minutes of 5/14/09, 7/09/09, 9/24/09, 11/05/09, 1/07/10, 2/04/10 and 2/08/10. The motion was seconded and approved by unanimous vote.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

(A) Chairman Pletcher called upon Phil Christman to discuss the Sidewalk Maintenance Program. Mr. Christman gave handouts to the Board and proceeded with a power point presentation. The cost to install new "Hex" pavers, not including removal of old ones, will be about $20 to $25 dollars per square foot. Removal usually costs $1 to $2 dollars per square foot. The cost to repair existing pavers is about $15 to $20 dollars per square foot. Stamped concrete is significantly less, about $8 to $10 dollars per square foot, which includes removal of old ones. A standard sidewalk costs about $5 or $6 dollars per square foot.

Chairman Pletcher stated that in order to maintain the historic value of the sidewalks, in accordance with the Secretary of the Interior standards, the first thing to do is wherever possible to repair versus replace. The first choice would be to repair the existing pavers, the second choice would be to install new ones and third choice would be to use the stamped concrete.

Discussion was held regarding disposal of the used pavers that are dug up and Mr. Christman's recommendation was to let the public know they are going to be replaced and if anyone is interested, they can come and get them.

Mr. Christman advised the Board that 17th Avenue is really bad and he is looking forward to getting it done soon. Basic maintenance costs of the stamped concrete is nothing compared to maintenance cost of pavers. Board approval is not necessary to proceed and the stamped concrete has been budgeted.

The Board thanked Mr. Christman for his presentation.

After discussion, the Board agreed to give the used pavers to anyone who is interested, rather than charge for them or use them in some other way.

B) Catherine Hartley addressed the Board regarding new construction in the Pass-A-Grille Overlay District. After several joint sessions with the Planning Board there is nothing in place to regulate new construction. Even though they tried to put together a standard, they are not getting plans and there is no standard. Ms. Hartley asked the Board where they want to go from here. What was discussed at their last joint meeting will be voted on at the next Planning Board Meeting on April 10, 2010.

Marvin Shavlan presented the Board with a brief synopsis of what he would like the Board to focus on, the first of which is requiring basic concrete construction. Next is the "daylight plane" which was discussed before, and he suggests that they just give a 60 foot wide setback. Roof height change was another issue that was previously discussed and Mr.Shavlan wants to check with the attorney to see if they have to get a vote on that. Architectural style is another issue that he doesn't want to put too much regulation on because Mr. Shavlan is afraid that may scare people off if they are told exactly how to build, simply show them the styles that are consistent with the Pass-A-Grille Historic District.

Mr. Shavlan suggested hiring an architect to develop some design standards for garages under structures that would somehow make it look more historic and maybe that would be the guidelines to give people.

The main question is: what are the goals of the Board with the overlay when it comes to new construction? Catherine Hartley stated that compatibility and scale are very important. Mr. Shavlan asked how restrictive they want to be.

Ms. Hartley advised the Board that she will work on another draft of standards and have it available at the next meeting. Landscaping standards will also be considered in the draft. Chairman Pletcher feels the Board needs to consider how broad-based these guidelines are going to be, just material and landscaping or will angle, light, front/rear options be encouraged, midscale redevelopment and then architectural review.

C) Mr. Shavlan brought up beautification of Pass-A-Grille. He also brought up the subject of bringing in a map of the entire area and go over the various parks and other recreation areas that need attention.

Chairman Pletcher thanked Marvin Shavlan for everything he has done for the Historic Preservation Board.

A motion was made that the Meeting be adjourned. The motion was seconded and approved by unanimous vote.

Theresa McMaster
Theresa B. McMaster, City Clerk

Melinda Pletcher
Melinda Pletcher, Chairman

Minutes approved on: 3-30-2010