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DEMOLITION

Mr. Baker stated that due to miscommunication between staff and Mr. Bennett with Bert Fish Medical Center as to the notification procedure for the surrounding neighbors, the demolition for 305 Lytle Avenue had to be rescheduled to the February 13, 2008 meeting.

HISTORIC PRESERVATION AWARDS NOMINATIONS

Mr. Baker commented that staff had received a commercial nomination for Little Drug at 412 Canal Street and a residential nomination for the building at 1705 S. Atlantic Avenue that was one of the original houses from the Coronado Beach Settlement. Mr. Baker handed out photographs that depicted Little Drug from circa 1923 to present and the building at 1705 S. Atlantic Ave. from circa 1885. This building was originally located on the ocean but was moved to the other side of the street due to the construction of the Malibu Condominium project and almost entirely restored, while maintaining the character of the home. Mr. Lingenfelter gave a summary as to what changes had been made to this structure and that the City received a grant to pay for half of the historic marker describing its history and previous location. Staff and the HPC Board discussed the photographs of the nominated buildings and how the areas had changed over the years.

Mr. Lingenfelter continued that the deadline for the nominations had been extended from November 2, 2007, to January 4, 2008. The Commissioners may take time to visit the properties and cast their votes at the next HPC meeting, and staff will present the results to the City Commission and they would hand out the award(s) and a bronze plaque at the March 25, 2008, City Commission meeting. Mr. Lingenfelter stated that a nomination did not necessarily warrant an award, but felt that each candidate met the intention of the award.

Sally Mackay, 108 Lincoln Avenue asked to address the Board and recommended that the HPC be present at the City Commission meeting when the awards will be handed out and also to bring along the photographs of the two (2) nominees. She felt that the HPC's work was key and the HPC needed to be recognized and awareness raised. Mrs. Mackay requested that these photographs be put on the City's website, which was in the process of being redesigned and updated.

2008 GOAL SETTING

Mr. Lingenfelter addressed the HPC's goals and objectives that had been achieved or were still pending from 2007. He asked the HPC to look over the work program schedule and prioritize what they felt should be accomplished in 2008. Mr. Lingenfelter reviewed the 2007 Public Awareness/Education goals pertaining to local landmark dedications, creating a HPC website on the City's main website in lieu of the NSB Newsletter, historic signs and markers, preservation awards, proclamations and benefits of archaeological resources, as well as, the Regulation goals for creating a new local historic district, the architectural ordinance, demolition ordinance and survey of historic properties. He further commented on Incentives goals relating to restoration programs and insurance for historic homes, support for the Southeast Volusia Historical Society, and GIS mapping of Turnbull Colony canals.

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97 Mr. Mercurio inquired about the signs/markers he would like to be placed at the entrance and
98 exit of New Smyrna Beach. Mr. Lingenfelter stated he would add this item to the work
99 program.

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101 The HPC discussed a few options for raising awareness and public education and agreed to
102 continue with the three (3) main goals for 2008.

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104 **COMMENTS FROM COMMISSION MEMBERS AND CITY STAFF**

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106 Mr. Dinker felt that HPC should have more of a voice and there should be fewer steps for the
107 HPC to be able to make decisions.

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109 Mr. Lingenfelter informed the HPC that their chairperson had signed letters of support for the
110 endorsement of the Volusia County grant application for archeological testing at the
111 Blanchette homestead site (Art Center Ave and US 1) to identify a possible industrial
112 Turnbull Settlement feature and the Florida Anthropological Society grant application for
113 Florida Archaeology month.

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115 Mr. Lingenfelter pointed out that the City of New Smyrna Beach along with Volusia County
116 Leisure Services is sponsoring an "Understanding Historic Properties" workshop on January
117 24, 2008, at the New Smyrna Beach Women's Club. This would be a great tool for Realtors
118 to learn what historic preservation is about and how to advise prospective homebuyers.

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120 Mrs. Ryan inquired about the status of the letter of support for the renovation of the Chamber
121 of Commerce that the HPC authorized at the last meeting. Mr. Lingenfelter answered that he
122 understood that the City was not pursuing an ECHO grant this year, but rather the grant for
123 the roof with the Florida Department of State.

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ADJOURNMENT

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127 **Being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:52 p.m.**