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Council Action/Discussion:

Request that the Economic Development Advisory Board research and explore the requirements and protocol necessary to establish potential tax incentive programs for historic preservation designations and easements in the City of Venice

Reason for Request: The City of Venice's Historic Preservation Advisory Board has requested the assistance of the Economic Development Advisory Board with this topic. Attached please see this topic referenced in the current City of Venice Comprehensive Plan under "Preservation Partnerships", page 166

Thank You Rich Cautero



City of Venice Comprehensive Plan

Objective 3 Preservation Partnerships. Maintain and strengthen historic and archeological partnerships with government agencies and private organizations.

Policy 3.1 Historic Preservation Coordination. Expand the City's preservation resources by participating in and partnering with local, regional, state, and federal organizations including Venice Historic Preservation Board, Venice Area Historical Society, Triangle Inn Association/Venice Area Archives, Venice MainStreet, and Sarasota County History Center, Sarasota History Alive, Sarasota County Arts Council, Anything Arts (e-newsletter), Sarasota County Historical Preservation Coalition, Friends of the Lord-Higel House, Architectural Review Board, including:

- A. Historic registers.
- B. Grant programs and funding initiatives.
- C. Public awareness and education.
- D. Development initiatives and protection programs.
- E. Heritage tourism efforts.

Policy 3.2 State and Federal Registers. Utilize the Archives Department to administer and promote the historic and archeological preservation practices, programs, and standards of the Department of Interior and Florida Department of State Division of Historic Resources.

Policy 3.3 Tamiami Trail Scenic Highway. Continue to participate as an active member of the Sarasota-Manatee Scenic Highway program.

Policy 3.4 Tax Incentives Partnership. By 2014, consider establishing an interlocal agreement with Sarasota County for the development of tax incentive programs for historic preservation designations and easements.