

MEMORANDUM

TO: Authority Members

FROM: General Manager

DATE: July 29, 2003

RE: Minutes of July 9, 2003 Architectural Environmental Committee Meeting

A regularly scheduled meeting of the Architectural Environmental Committee was held on Wednesday, July 9, 2003. Members present were Mr. McGuire Martin, Mr. Don Ayres, and Mr. Thom Blas. Also present were board members Mr. Bill Griffith, Mr. Jimmie Perkins, and Dr. Thomas Campanella. Mr. Martin, chairman of the committee, called the meeting to order and presented the following items:

Item #1 – Mr. Fred Simmons – W.A.S., Inc d/b/a Geronimo's Spirits, Inc. – 69 Via de Luna - Request for store front renovations

Ms. Sue Smith presented the background on the request and said that Mr. John Tice, SRIA Architectural Advisor, was present to address the board. Mr. Tice presented his comments and suggested either a new master plan for the entire complex or use of the unifying elements in the proposed new design to conform to the existing master plan. A discussion followed during which the committee heard comments from Mr. Joe Billingsley with W.A.S., Inc.

Upon motion of Mr. Ayres, seconded by Mr. Blas, the committee unanimously recommended rejecting the request for store-front renovations at 69 Via de Luna by W.A.S., Inc., and instructing the applicant to redesign the proposed renovations to conform with the existing architectural plan. (3-0)

Item #2 – Hemingway's Restaurant – Sublease to Pensacola Beach Holdings, Inc. – 400 Quietwater Beach Road, Unit 16 - Request to construct, but not occupy, an uncovered roof-top deck

Mr. Martin stated that he was recusing himself from this item due to his business interests in a competing business, and Mr. Griffith served on the committee in his stead.

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Ms. Smith presented the background on the request, noting that the board had previously denied a similar request for an occupied deck at the proposed restaurant. A lengthy discussion followed during which the committee heard comments from Mr. Gary Powell.

Upon amended motion of Mr. Griffith, seconded by Mr. Blas, the committee unanimously approved the request by Hemingway's Restaurant, 400 Quietwater Beach Road, Unit 16, to construct an uncovered roof-top deck subject to there being no increase in seating over that approved for the project without the roof-top deck, board approval of future requests for additional seating, and execution of an agreement acceptable to legal counsel. (3-0)

Additional discussion followed regarding parking in the core area of Pensacola Beach during which the committee heard comments from Mr. Robert Rinke, Mr. Bill King, and Mr. John Barrett.

There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting was adjourned.

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General Manager

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