#### RESOLUTION NO. 2015- 152

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA, GRANTING AN AD VALOREM TAX EXEMPTION FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO HISTORIC PROPERTY LOCATED AT 47 CORDOVA STREET, ST. AUGUSTINE, FLORIDA, IN ACCORDANCE WITH ST. JOHNS COUNTY ORDINANCE 97-61 AND SECTION 196.1997, FLORIDA STATUTES, AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

#### RECITALS

WHEREAS, St. Johns County Ordinance 97-61, known as the St. Johns County Historic Preservation Property Tax Exemption Ordinance, sets out the procedures for an ad valorem tax exemption to be given to an owner of historic property in St. Johns County in the amount of the assessed value of the improvements to be determined by the Property Appraiser's Office; and

WHEREAS, St. Johns County Ordinance 97-61, authorizes the Planning and Building Division of the City of St. Augustine to supervise and administer the rules and regulations pertaining to review of applications for property tax exemptions, and provides for review by the City's Historic Architectural Review Board (HARB) pursuant to Sections 196.1997 and 196.1998, Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission of the City of St. Augustine passed Resolution No. 2015-08 on March 9, 2015 finding that the application for historic preservation property tax exemption for property located at 47 Cordova Street, St. Augustine, Florida had been properly reviewed and approved by the City's HARB, and designated the property as an historic property; and

WHEREAS, the property located at 47 Cordova Street, St. Augustine, Florida is owned by Old City Holdings, Inc., pursuant to O.R. 3728, PG 1269; and

WHEREAS, the applications and other documents submitted to the City and other government agencies were submitted primarily by Lisa Dallaire, as legal representative of Old City Holdings, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners finds it appropriate and in the public interest to grant an historic property tax exemption to Old City Holdings, Inc., the owner of the property at 47 Cordova Street, St. Augustine, Florida, for a period of ten (10) years beginning January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2024, provided that the property owner complies with the Covenant to ensure protection of the historical and architectural integrity of the site.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of County Commissioners of St. Johns County, Florida as follows:

- 1. The above 'Whereas' clauses are accepted as findings of fact and incorporated by reference herein.
- 2. The historic property is located at 47 Cordova Street, St. Augustine, Florida, and is owned by Old City Holdings, Inc.
- 3. The historic property ad valorem tax exemption begins January 1, 2015, and expires December 31, 2024, for the improvements made to property located at 47 Cordova Street, St. Augustine, Florida.
- 4. The historic property meets the requirements of Section 196.1997, Florida Statutes.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of County Commissioners of St. Johns County, Florida this \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ day of May 2015.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA

By:

Priscilla L. Bennett, Chair

ATTEST: CHERYL STRICKLAND, CLERK

By: 10W( / Ye)

RENDITION DATE 5/21/15

Public Records of St. Johns County, FL

Clerk number: 2015014295

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**RESOLUTION NO. 2015-08** 

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION FOR THE CITY OF ST. AUGUSTINE, FLORIDA, GRANTING AN AD VALOREM TAX

EXEMPTION FOR AN HISTORIC PROPERTY LOCATED AT 47

CORDOVA STREET; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City Commission for the City of St. Augustine, Florida, is the local

governing authority as prescribed by s. 196.1997, Florida Statutes, to approve an ad valorem tax

exemption for an historic property; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission finds that the property located at 47 Cordova

Street is owned by Old City Holdings, Inc. pursuant to O.R. 3728, PG 1269, and is designated as

an historic property under the terms of the local preservation ordinance; and

WHEREAS, on August 16, 2012, October 30, 2012, and September 19, 2013 the

Historic Architectural Review Board (HARB) for the City of St. Augustine reviewed and approved

an application for work to be completed at 47 Cordova Street; and

WHEREAS, on April 8, 2014, the City of St. Augustine Building Official issued a

Certificate of Completion and the City of St. Augustine Planning and Building Department issued

a Certificate of Occupancy for the work permitted at 47 Cordova Street; and

WHEREAS, on February 19, 2015, the HARB for the City of St. Augustine

reviewed an application for the work completed at 47 Cordova Street, approved a certificate of

completeness, and recommended the property located at 47 Cordova Street for an historic

property tax exemption; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission for the City of St. Augustine has reviewed and

approved the associated Historic Preservation Property Tax Exemption Covenant and hereby

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determines that it is in the best interest of public health, safety, and general welfare to grant an historic preservation property tax exemption;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION FOR THE CITY OF ST. AUGUSTINE, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Historic Preservation Property Tax Exemption. The City Commission for the City of St. Augustine, Florida, finds that the historic property located at 47 Cordova Street meets the requirements of s. 196.1977, Florida Statutes, and hereby grants an ad valorem property tax exemption for the improvements made at 47 Cordova Street subject to the recordation of an Historic Preservation Property Tax Exemption Covenant consistent with the requirements of s. 196.1977, Florida Statutes. The property tax exemption begins January 1, 2015 and expires on December 31, 2024.

Section 2. Effective Date. This resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

**ADOPTED** in Regular Session of the City Commission for the City of St. Augustine, Florida, this 9<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2015.

Shaver, Mayo

ATTEST:

Mison Ratkovic, City Clerk

(SEAL)

### HISTORIC PRESERVATION PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION COVENANT

This Covenant is made the 9th day of March, 20_15, by
OLDE CITY HOLDINGS INC
(hereinafter referred to as the Owner) and in favor of the City of St Augustine
(hereinafter referred to as the Local Government) for the purpose of the restoration,
renovation, or rehabilitation of a certain Property located at47 Cordova
St St Augustine, Florida which is owned in fee simple
by the Owner and is listed in the National Register of Historic Places, is a contributing
property to a National Register listed district, or locally designated under the terms of
Section 28-87, Code of the City of St Augustine, Florida. The areas of significance of
this property, as identified in the National Register nomination or local designation report
for the property or the district in which it is located are X architecture; X history; and/or
□ archeology.
The Property is comprised essentially of grounds, collateral, appurtenances, and
improvements. The property is more particularly described as follows: [insert legal
description] as per OR3728, Page _1269, St Johns County Clerk of the Courts;
and further identified by the following parcel identification number:1980700000
_0000_ as assigned by the St Johns County Property Appraiser. In consideration of the
tax exemption granted by the Local Government, the Owner hereby agrees to the
following for the period of the tax exemption which is from January 1, 2015, to
December 31, 2024

1. The Owner agrees to assume the cost of the continued maintenance and repair of said Property so as to preserve the architectural, historical, and/or archeological integrity of the Same in order to protect and enhance those qualities that made the Property eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places or designation under Section 28-87, Code of the City of St Augustine, Florida.

2. The Owner agrees that no visual or structural alterations will be made to the Property without the prior written permission of the □ Division of Historical Resources or the ☑ City of St Augustine (Local Historic Preservation Office).

The address of the certified Local Historic Preservation Office is:

Historic Architectural Review Board c/o St Augustine Planning & Building Department P. O. Box 210 St Augustine, FL 32085-1027

Telephone: (904) 825-1065

The address of the Division of Historical Resources is:

Office of Cultural & Historical Programs

Bureau of Historic Preservation

R. A Gray Building

500 South Bronough Street

Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0250

Telephone: (850) 245-6333

- 3. [Only for properties of archeological significance] The Owner agrees to ensure the protection of the site against willful damage or vandalism. Nothing in this Covenant shall prohibit the Owner from developing the site in such a manner that will not threaten or damage the archeological resource, provided that permission for alteration of the site is obtained pursuant to item #2 above.
- 4. The Owner agrees that the □ Division of Historical Resources or the ☑ City of St Augustine (Local Historic Preservation Office) and appropriate representatives of the Local Government, their agents and designees shall have the right to inspect the Property at all reasonable times in order to ascertain whether or not the conditions of this Covenant are being observed.

- 5. In the event of the non-performance or violation of the maintenance provision of the Covenant by the Owner or any successor-in-interest during the term of the Covenant, the □ Division of Historical Resources or the ☑ City of St Augustine (Local Historic Preservation Office) will report such violation to the St Johns County Property Appraiser and Tax Collector who shall take action pursuant to s.196.1997 (7), F.S. The Owner shall be required to pay the difference between the total amount of taxes which would have been due in March in each of the previous years in which the Covenant was in effect had the property not received the exemption and the total amount of taxes actually paid in those years, plus interest on the difference calculated as provided in s.212.12 (3), F.S.
- 6. If the Property is damaged by accidental or natural causes during the Covenant period, the Owner will inform the □ Division of Historical Resources or the ☑ City of St Augustine (Local Historic Preservation Office) in writing of the damage to the Property, including 1) an assessment of the nature and extent of the damage; and 2) an estimate of the cost of restoration or reconstruction work necessary to return the Property to the condition existing at the time of project completion. In order to maintain the tax exemption, the Owner shall complete the restoration or reconstruction work necessary to return the Property to the condition existing at the time of project completion on a time schedule agreed upon by the Owner and the □ Division of Historical Resources or the ☑ City of St Augustine (Local Historic Preservation Office).
- 7. If the Property has been destroyed or severely damaged by accidental or natural causes, that is, if the historical integrity of the features, materials, appearance, workmanship, and environment or archeological integrity which made the property eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places or designation under Section 28-87, Code of the City of St Augustine, Florida have been lost or so damaged that restoration is not feasible, the Owner will notify the □ Division of Historical Resources or the ☑ City of St Augustine (Local Historic Preservation Office) in writing of the loss. The □ Division of Historical

Resources or the 🗹 City of St Augustine (Local Historic Preservation Office) will evaluate the information provided and notify the Owner in writing of its determination regarding removal of the Property from eligibility for tax exemption. If the 🗆 Division of Historical Resources or the 🗹 City of St Augustine (Local Historic Preservation Office) determines that the Property should be removed from eligibility for tax exemption, it will notify the St Johns County Property Appraiser and Tax Collector in writing so that the tax exemption can be cancelled for the remainder of the Covenant period. In such cases, no penalty or interest shall be assessed against the Owner.

8. If it appears that the historical integrity of the features, materials, appearance, workmanship, and environment or archeological integrity which made the Property eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places or designation under Section 28-87, Code of the City of St Augustine, Florida have been lost or damaged deliberately or through gross negligence of the Owner, the ☐ Division of Historical Resources or the ☐ City of St Augustine (Local Historic Preservation Office) shall notify the Owner in writing. The Owner shall have 30 days to respond indicating any extenuating circumstances which show that the damage was not deliberate or due to gross negligence. If the Owner cannot show such extenuating circumstances he shall develop a plan for restoration of the Property and a schedule for completion of the restoration. In order to maintain the tax exemption, the Owner shall complete the restoration work necessary to return the Property to the condition existing at the time of project completion on a time schedule agreed upon by the Owner and the 

Division of Historical Resources or the I City of St Augustine (Local Historic Preservation Office). If the Owner does not complete the restoration work on the agreed upon time schedule, the 
Division of Historical Resources or the 
City of St Augustine (Local Historic Preservation Office) will report such violation to the St Johns County Property Appraiser and Tax Collector who shall take action pursuant to s.196.1997 (7), F.S. The Owner shall be required to pay the differences between

the total amount of taxes actually paid in those years, plus interest on the difference calculated as provided in s.212.12 (3), F.S

9. The terms of this Covenant shall be binding on the current Property owner, transferees, and their heirs, successors, or assigns.

This Covenant shall be enforceable in specific performance by a court of competent jurisdiction.

OWNER		
LISA DAllAire 2		3-3-13
Name	Signature	Date
YORAY COMEDNIATENT		
LOCAL GOVERNMENT		
City of St Augustine		
Nancy E. Shaver	Mayor	
Name of Authorized	Title 3	
Local Official	, ,	
On 22	3/10/2015	
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Alison Ratkovic, City Clerk

#### Page Eight - Historic Preservation Property Tax Exemption Application

## PART 1 APPLICATION REVIEW For Local Historic Preservation Office or Division Use Only

Property Identification	Number <u>1980700</u>	000				
Property Address 47	7 Cordova Stre	et, St.	Augustine,	$\mathtt{FL}$	32084	
The (X) Local Presert Application for the abo	vation Office ( ) Divisove named property and	sion has revi hereby:	ewed the Historic	Preserva	tion Property T	ax Exemption
(X) Certifies that the a s. 196.1997 (11),	above referenced proper F.S.	ty	IS	consi	istent with the p	rovisions of
( ) Certifies that the a provisions of s. 19	bove referenced proper 96.1997 (11), F.S.	ty			consistent w	vith the
( ) Certifies that the a 196.1998, F.S., fo to the public.	bove referenced proper r properties occupied b	ty y non-profit	organizations or go	vernmer	provided und nt agencies and	der s. regularly open
( ) Certifies that the a s.196.1998, F.S.	bove referenced proper	ty			provided un	der
Review Comments:	The building	is lis	ted as a co	ntril	outing bu	ilding
	to a Nationa	l Regis	ter histori	c dia	strict.	
Additional Review Co	mments attached? Yes	\	-P1 1 1	/ \/	)001.	
		Signature Syped or prin	ted nameJenn	y Wo:	lfe	
	Т	itle <u>Hist</u>	oric Preser	vatio	on and SP	Planner
			Date 1	March	21, 2013	3

This instrument prepared by: City of St. Augustine 75 King Street Post Office Drawer 210 St. Augustine, FL 32085

BEFORE THE
HISTORIC ARCHITECTURAL
REVIEW BOARD
FOR THE
CITY OF ST. AUGUSTINE, FLORIDA

ORDER TO APPROVE
CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS
CASE NO. 2013-0026

#### IN THE MATTER OF:

**APPLICANT: Len Weeks** 

**62 Hypolita Street** 

St. Augustine, FL 32084

OWNER: Lisa

Lisa Dallaire

RE: Certificate of Appropriateness pursuant to Section 28-89, City of St. Augustine Code, to review interior building alterations and previously approved exterior alterations for an application of an ad valorem tax exemption.

SITE DESCRIPTION FOR CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS:

47 Cordova Street

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: City of St Augustine Lot 8 blk 17 (Ex S25ft) OR3593/1411

PARCEL NUMBER: 198070-0000

THE HISTORIC ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD HAS HEARD TESTIMONY AND EXAMINED EVIDENCE AT A PUBLIC HEARING HELD ON MARCH 21, 2013, AND BASED ON THE TESTIMONY AND EVIDENCE, THE HISTORIC ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD HAS DETERMINED AS FOLLOWS:

#### FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. Applicant is the legal owner, occupant, and/or representative of the owner/occupant of the subject property and duly submitted an application with the owner's knowledge, and was duly notified of the hearing, in accordance with Chapter 28 of the Code of the City of St. Augustine. The applicant or representative was present at the March 21, 2013 Historic Architectural Review Board meeting and testified under oath.

- 2. A public hearing was held, with notice given as required by law, and members of the public testified under oath.
- 3. The subject property has a zoning classification of Historic Preservation three (HP-3).

#### ORDER

- 1. That based upon the evidence, testimony and exhibits presented at the hearing, the Applicant has presented the proper grounds for granting a Certificate of Appropriateness and, therefore, the Certificate is granted in accordance with the application.
- 2. That the following conditions are applied to the granting of the Certificate of Appropriateness, as follows:
  - (None)

DONE AND ORDERED, at a public hearing on the <u>21st</u> day of <u>March</u>, A.D., 2013, in the Alcazar Room, 75 King Street, St. Augustine, Florida.

CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS REQUEST APPROVED

FRED HALBACK, CHAIRMAN
HISTORIC ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD
CITY OF ST. AUGUSTINE, FLORIDA

STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF ST. JOHNS

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this day, personally appeared before me, an officer duly authorized to administer oaths and take acknowledgments, <u>Fred Halback</u> who is personally known to me and who is the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged before me that he executed the same for the purposes therein expressed.

Witness my hand and official seal, this  $\frac{267H}{ARCH}$  day of A.D., 2013.

Notary Public, State of Florida

#### Historic Preservation Property Tax Exemption Application Part 1 – Evaluation of Property Eligibility

Read the attached instructions carefully before completing this application. Your application cannot be evaluated unless it is complete and all required supporting materials are provided. In the event of any discrepancy between the application form and other supplementary material submitted with it (such as architectural plans, drawings and specifications), the application form shall take precedence. Type or print clearly in black ink. If additional space is needed, attach additional sheets.

#### GENERAL INFORMATION (To be completed by all applicants)

1. Property identification and location:			
Property Identification Number (from tax	records): 198070	0000	Attach legal description of property
Address of property: 47 Cordova Street_			
City_St. Augustine	County	St_Johns	Zip Code 32084
( ) Individually National Register listed (X) In a National Register district			ally designated historic property or landmark* locally designated district
* For applications submitted to the Divis for the property and the official correspon	-		
Name of historic district St. Augustine His	storic District		
For locally designated historic properts districts, provide the following additional		, or propertie	es located in locally designated historic
Name of local historic preservation agency	y/office City of St.	Augustine, Pla	anning Department
Mailing Address P.O. Box 210			
City_St. AugustineStat	teFL	Zip	Code 32085
Telephone Number (904)825-1065			
<ul> <li>2. Type of request:</li> <li>(X) Exemption under 196.1997, F.S. (star</li> <li>( ) Exemption under 196.1998, F.S. (exer government agencies and regularly op Question 9 on page five.</li> </ul>	mption for propert		
3. Owner information:			
Name of individual or organization owning	g the property	Lisa Dilliare	**************************************
Mailing address:2245 CR 13S			_
City_ElktonStateFL	Zip	code	32033
Daytime Telephone Number 904-501-927 If the property is in multiple ownership, at	17 ttach a list of all o	wners with the	rir mailing addresses.

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Page Two Historic Preservation Property Tax Exemption Application
Property Identification Number _1980700000
Property Address 47 Cordova St.
4. Owner Attestation: I hereby attest that the information I have provided is, to the best of my knowledge, correct, and that I own the property described above or that I am legally the authority in charge of the property. Further, by submission of this Application, I agree to allow access to the property by representatives of the Division of Historical Resources or the Local Historic Preservation Office, where such office exists, and appropriate representatives of the local government from which the exemption is being requested, for the purpose of verification of information provided in this Application. I also understand that, if the requested exemption is granted, I will be required to enter into a Covenant with the local government granting the exemption in which I must agree to maintain the character of the property and the qualifying improvements for the term of the exemption.  Signature  Date
Complete the following if signing for an organization or multiple owners:
Title Organization name
EVALUATION OF PROPERTY ELIGIBILITY  (To be completed only for properties in historic or archaeological districts):
Description of Physical Appearance: 47 Cordova Street is a frame vernacular building with an irregular ground plan. The building has a brick pier foundation and a balloon frame structural system. Its exterior finish is wooden butt shingles over sheathing board attached to studs. It rises two stories in height and has a front facing gable roof with a metal, 3-V crimp roof. The main window on the west (main) elevation is a fixed multi-pane bay type. Remaining windows are primarily 2/2 double-hung sash windows. C. 1948 a rear addition and porch were added. In the 1970s the original front porch was removed and the bay window and a brick patio were added. The interior was historically residential but, since the 1970s renovations, has been used for commercial purposes. Interior finishes are wood floors and plaster walls and ceilings. The first floor contained public spaces such as a parlor and living room with a kitchen at the rear and the second floor contained private spaces such as bedrooms and bathrooms.
Date of Constructionc. 1904Date(s) of Alteration(s) c. 1948, 1975
Has building been moved? ( )Yes (X )No If so, when?

Statement of Significance: 47 Cordova Street is located within the St. Augustine Historic District. It contributes to the District through its architectural style, materials, method of construction and historical associations. It is a simple frame vernacular residential building, typical of the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries. It is an example of balloon frame construction. It is listed as a contributing building on the district map and inventory. It is recorded in the Florida Site File as 8SJ688. According to the Site File form, the original owner of 47 Cordova Street was Benjamin Franklin Upton, daguerreotypist, inventor and photographer. Upton was noted for his production of landscape scenes and stereographs in the Mid-Western states of Wisconsin and Minnesota. Like many northerners Upton came to St. Augustine seeking warm winters in 1875. He worked as a photographer in the City until his death around 1900.

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Property Identification Number1980700000	
Property Address 47 Cordova Street	
7. Photographs and maps:	
Attach photographs and maps to application.	

# FLORIDA MASTER SITE FILE HISTORIC ST. AUGUSTINE PRESERVATION BOARD HISTORIC PROPERTIES INVENTORY FORM

	LOCATION & LEGAL DESCRIPTION				055100	
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	Site Name: 47 Cordova Street					820=
	Address: 47 Cordova Street, St. Augus	stine,	3L	32	084	_ 905=
	Instructions for Locating:					
		_813==	C	ou	nty: St. Johns	_ 808==
	Location: <u>City of St. Augustine</u> (subdivision) (bl	L7 ock)				_ 868== 868==
	Owner of Site: Name: Butler, Jerry	L. & Me	elv	in		_ <sup>000</sup> _;
	Address: P.O. Box 1956					_
	St. Augustine.	FL 320	)84			_ 902==
	Occupant or Manager: Wally Berg — State	Farm	Ins	ur	ance	_ 904==
	Type of Ownership: Private	_848==	Z	on	ing: HP-3	<del></del>
	NR Classification Category: Building	_916==	R	ec	ording Date:	_ 832==
	UTM: 17 469615 3306700 (zone) (easting) (northing)					
	Map Reference: USGS St. Augus	tine 7.	. 5	MΙ	N 1956 (PR 1970)	_ 809==
	Recorder: Name & Title: Nolan, David (	Histori	Lc	Si	tes Specialist)	_;
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	Original Use: Priv. Res. 838== Present Use: Commercial	850==
•	Date: +1904 844== Period: 20th cent. 845== Culture: American	840==
	Architect:	872==
	Builder:	874==
	Style: Frame Vernacular	96 <b>4</b> ==
	Plan Type: T-shape	966==
	Exterior Fabrics: Wood shingles butt	<del></del>
		854==
	Structural Systems: Wood frame	856==
	Features of Structure: (942)	
	Window Type: DHS 2/2, fixed Multi-pane, bay attic louver	942==
	Foundation: Brick piers	942==
	Roof Type: Gable intersecting	942==
	Secondary Roof Structures:	942==
	Porches & Balconies:	
	))	942==
	Chimney Location: Center ridge	942==
	Materials: (882)	
	Chimney: Brick	882==
	Roof Surfacing: Metal 3-V crimp	882==
	Ornament Exterior:	<del></del>
		882==
	Quantitative Data: (950-954)	
	Chimneys: $1$ 952== Dormers: $0$ 954== Stories: $2$	950==
	Other:	956==
	Surroundings: Mixed Commercial/Residential	864==
	Relationship to Surroundings: Faces street formerly western boundary of	
	colonial city.	
		859==
III.	PHOTOGRAPHY	
	Photographic Records Numbers:	860==
	Contact Prints	<del></del>



#### IV. SIGNIFICANCE

Areas of Significance: Architecture, Art, Commerce, Inventions

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Statement of Significance: (911== ARCHITECTURE

This two-story Frame Vernacular residence at 47 Cordova Street was constructed between 1899 and 1904. During the 1970's the open front porch with square wood posts, jigsawn brackets, and porch railing was removed. A modern bay and brick patio were installed. The structure faces a street that was formerly the western boundary of the colonial city.

The area of the old colonial city between Hypolita Street and the City Gate has been the major area of restoration efforts over the past two decades and is one of St. Augustine's leading tourist attraction areas. There are eight colonial buildings and structures in the area, a number of reconstructions, and other buildings designed or remodeled in the St. Augustine Colonial Revival style. Restorations and reconstructions line most of St. George Street. Elements contributing to its colonial ambiance include buildings constructed right at the street line, walls lining the street (some of tabby or exposed coquina), overhanging balconies and ornamental rejas. Side streets like Spanish and Cuna still have a number of post-colonial buildings. The bayfront has a number of commercial structures of modern vintage. The area generally retains the old colonial street patterns, though there have been major alterations around the City Gate and bayfront. Traffic is limited in the area and banned on St. George Street, but there are still serious traffic and parking problems because the area is so heavily traveled. Because of the commercial value of the land, there are continuing pressures for new development in the area. It is an area of combined tourist, commercial, and residential usage. It is bounded on the east by the Castillo de San Marcos, the seawall and the bayfront. On the west it is bounded by the Model Land Company subdivision developed by Henry Flagler. This section of the colonial city is part of the National Landmark District, listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

#### HISTORY

The northernmost section of the walled colonial city was bounded in the 18th and early 19th centuries by the Cubo defense line and City Gate on the north and by the Rosario defense line, present-day Cordova Street, on the west. This area first developed in the late 17th century as a work camp during the construction of the Castillo de San Marcos and later as a neighbor-(over)

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, hood after the completion of the fort in 1695. All structures were destoyed in the 1702 seige of the city, those generally north of Cuna Street by the Spanish to establish a clear field of fire from the fort, and those south by the invading South Carolinians. By mid-century buildings had been rebuilt mainly along St. George and Spanish Streets, and a number of them still stand on St. George: Avero, DeMesa, Arrivas, Rodriguez-Sanchez, and Paredes Houses. During the British period, the Minorcans generally settled in this section of town, and it remained the "Minorcan quarter" well into the 19th century. New construction continued in the Second Spanish Period (1784-1821), with a number of extant structures, such as the Triay House, the Oldest Schoolhouse, and the City Gate, dating from this period.(1) By the mid-19th century, development expanded westward along Hypolita and Cuna Streets. The post-Civil War years brought intense commercialization to part of Hypolita Street and all of St. George Street as the main thoroughfare became lined with shops, boarding houses, and large hotels. The areas off of St. George Street remained essentially residential, and Spanish Street became by 1900 one of several exclusively Black neighborhoods outside Lincolnville, with its own school and church in the southernmost block of the street. St. George Street underwent major changes in the late 19th and early 20th centuries with the construction of the massive city hall at Hypolita Street and with the demolition of colonial structures and the erection of brick commercial buildings. (2) This section of the street gradually deteriorated into a depressed business district. Since 1959 the Historic St. Augustine Preservation Board, in conjunction with the St. Augustine Restoration Foundation and private citizens, has restored and reconstructed twenty-five buildings along St. George and Cuna Streets as part of a movement to recognize the city's disappearing colonial past. Several of the Preservation Board's buildings are operated as part of a living-history museum, San Agustin Antiguo. In addition to the Restoration Area, this section of the city, especially along Spanish and Cuna Streets, also has a large concentration of 19th century buildings, particularly from the pre-Flagler era, and even some pre-Civil War structures. Avenida Menendez, formerly Bay Street, has become a modern commercial street adjacent to both the Restoration Area and the Castillo de San Marcos. (3)

This house at 47 Cordova Street was once the residence of Benjamin Franklin Upton. Upton, a daguerreotypist, inventor and photographer, came to St. Augusitne in 1875, already a successful photographer who had specialized in landscape scenes and stereographs of Wisconsin and Minnesota. He continued his work in this city until his death sometime after 1899.(4)

#### ARCHAEOLOGY

For archaeological significance of the walled colonial city see Master Site File Form 8SJ10.

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HISTORY " AMERICAN IM"GES:
THE LAGUETREOTYPE.
by Floyd and Marion Rinhart
(U.S) Ga. Press, Athens, 1980)
(from Manuscript)

Upton, Benjamin Franklin. Dag'typist, inventor, photographer.

Born Dixmont, Me., Aug. 3, 1818; died after 1899, date unknown.

Became settler remote area Aroostook Co., Me., C. 1840, with
500 acres of forest. His brothers Rufus and William took
part but venture unsuccessful. To Brunswick, Me., 1847, as
dag'typist. Probably learned the art from Charles E. Blake,
Brunswick's earliest dag'typist (1845). Moved to Bath, Me.,
1851 and established gallery. Married Sarah Foster in

Topsham, Me., 1851. U. S. patent for "Improvement of Mercury Bath (#9,666), 1843; apparatus for polishing dag'type plates (#11,709), 1854. Wrote The Photographic Art Journal, 1854, about copying dag'types, and said he had two whole size cameras. Listed Bath, Me., 1855. Moved with family to St. Anthony, Minn., 1856, and settled at Big Lake, Minn. Fioneer photographer of the West, specializing in landscape scenes and sterographs of Wisc. and Minn. Photographed St. Paul, 1857; Tribes, 1862-66; Miss. shipping, 1867; Minnehaha Falls, 1868; Minneapolis, C. 1868-1870. Views identified as "Upton." Removed to Fla., 1875 because of wife's health. Settled in St. Augustine and became a pioneer photographer of Fla. Took scenic views of Fla. for over 20 years. In Sept., 1898, he wrote of his work: "I am still actively at work in the landscape part of photography at 80, carting my own rig on the bike when no larger negative than 8 X 10 is wanted... I was the pioneer landscape photographer of Minnesota more than 40 years ago, when I spent much time for 20 years among The Three Nations of Indians who were there at that time, namely, the Sioux, Chippewa and Winnebago ... " Wide died St. Augustine, Feb. 2, 1886. Still listed as landscape photographer, 1899. CD: BD, Me., 1855; The News Monger, 1898; PAJ (1853), 67; (1854), 63; RT; St. Augustine Historical Society; William Henry Upton, Upton Family Records ... (1893); John Adams Vinton, The Upton Memorial ... (1874): OSU.

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#### Historic Preservation Property Tax Exemption Application Part 2 – Description of Improvements

(To be completed by <u>all applicants</u> ): Complete the blocks below. Include site work, new construction, alterations, etc.				
Property Identification Number1980700000				
Property Address 47 Cordova Street				
Feature Roof Approx. date of feature c. 1904, 1948	Describe work and impact on existing feature:			
Existing roof is a gable type surfaced with galvanized metal in a V-crimp pattern. Original roof material was likely wood shingles. Present material appears to date to c. 1948. Metal is showing widespread rust and is in need of replacement. Original wood rafters and purlins are structurally sound and will be retained. A rear porch with a hipped, gable roof was likely built c. 1948 about the time the metal roof was added.	Roof structural system and overall form will be retained. Galvanized metal V-crimp roof will be replaced by matching material. As per previously approved COA issued by the HARB gable on hip porch roof over rear addition will be retained.			
Photo no. 1-5 Drawing no. A-2-A-3 Feature 2				
Feature Windows, all facades	Describe work and impact on existing feature:			
Approx. date of featurec. 1904, 1970s  The main window on the west (main) elevation is a fixed multi-pane bay type. Remaining windows are primarily 2/2 light, double-hung sash windows. In the 1970s the original front porch was removed and the bay window and a brick patio were added All first floor windows appear to be replacements. Several original windows remain on second floor.  Photo no6-14 Drawing noA-2- A-3	Due to wind load requirements the City of St. Augustine Building Department is requiring replacement of all 2/2 light sash windows. New windows will match the light configuration, placement, and materials of existing windows. As per previously approved COA issued by HARB two existing window openings on the rear of the South Elevation will be filled. Also a window opening on the rear of North Elevation will be filled and the existing window will be relocated to the front of the North Elevation where a door is presently located.			
Feature 3	Devile and in the state of the			
FeatureFoundation Approx. date of feature_c. 1904, c. 1948	Describe work and impact on existing feature:			
Describe existing feature and its condition:  Existing foundation is a brick pier system that dates from the various phases of construction of the building. Piers are in fair to poor condition and supporting sill plate has failed in a number of locations.  Photo no. 15 Drawing no. A-2-A-4	As per previously approved COA issued by HARB, brick pier foundation will be removed and continuous concrete foundation will be substituted. To maintain the appearance of the brick piers, applicant will apply a brick veneer to the concrete foundation matching the width and placement of existing piers. Faux piers will have 1.5 inch reveal beyond concrete foundation wall. Concrete will be screened by lattice infill between faux piers.			

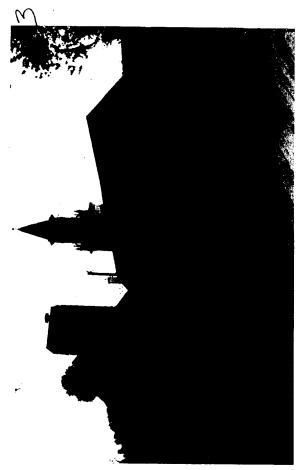
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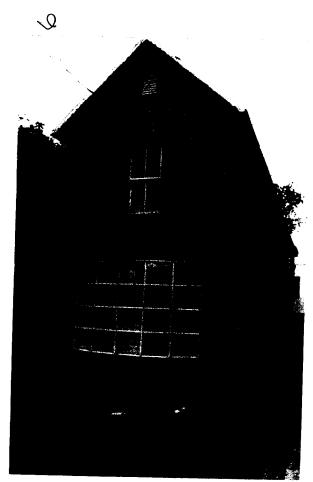
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- 2 Photo 4
- 1. Roof, facing south
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- 1. Windows, facing east from Cordova Street
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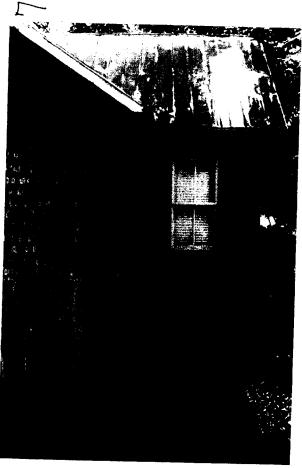




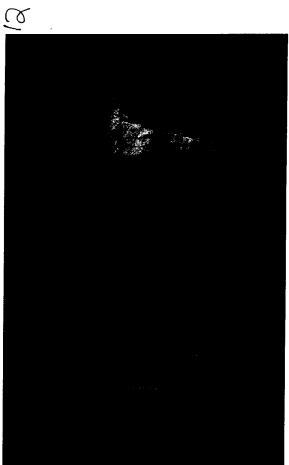






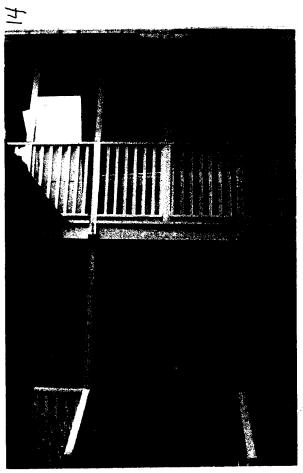




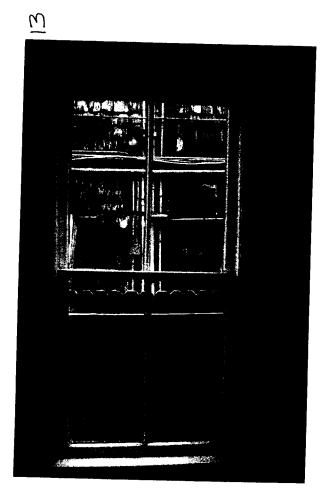








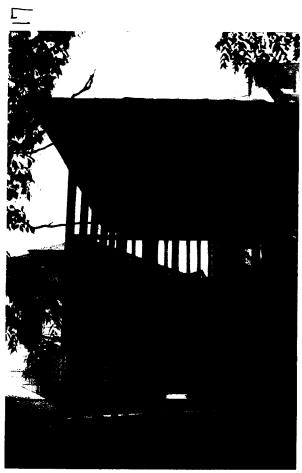




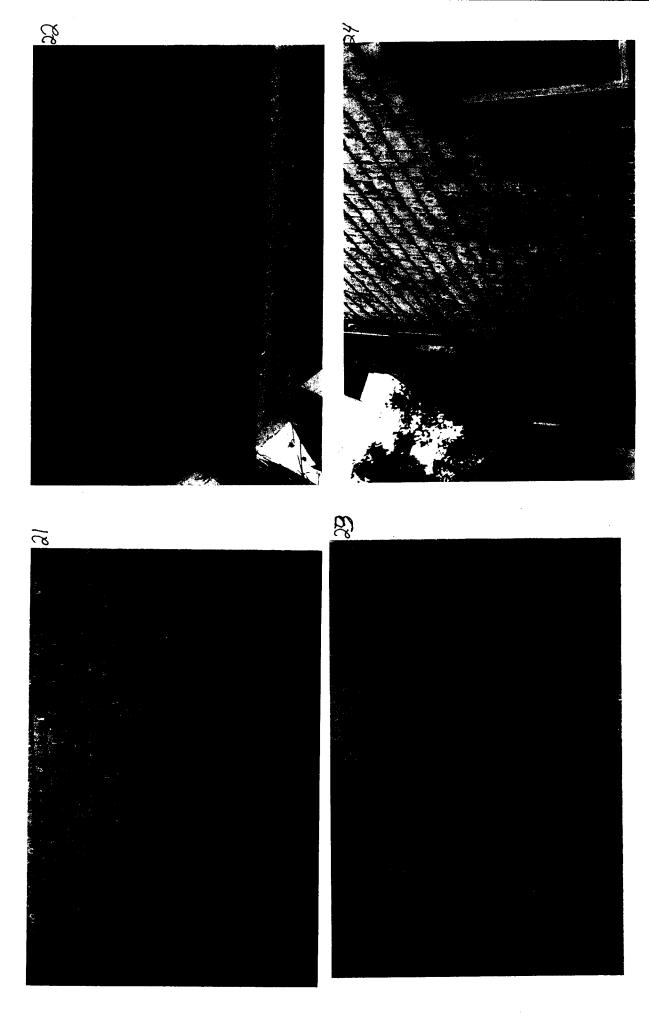


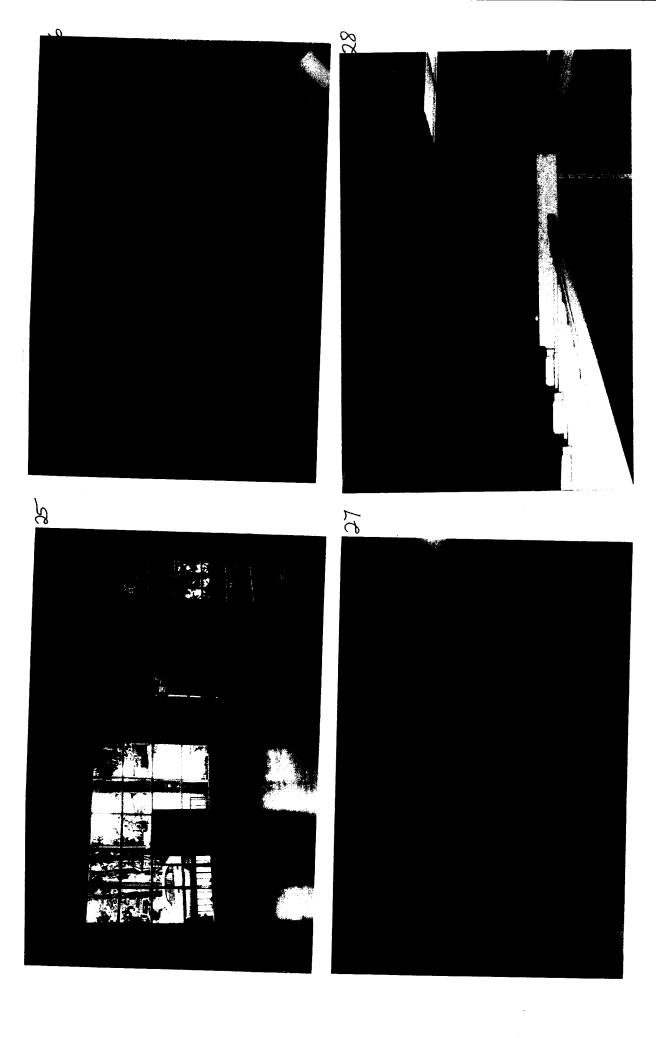




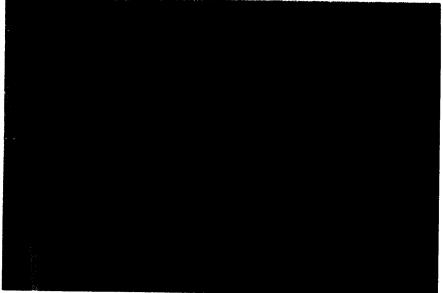


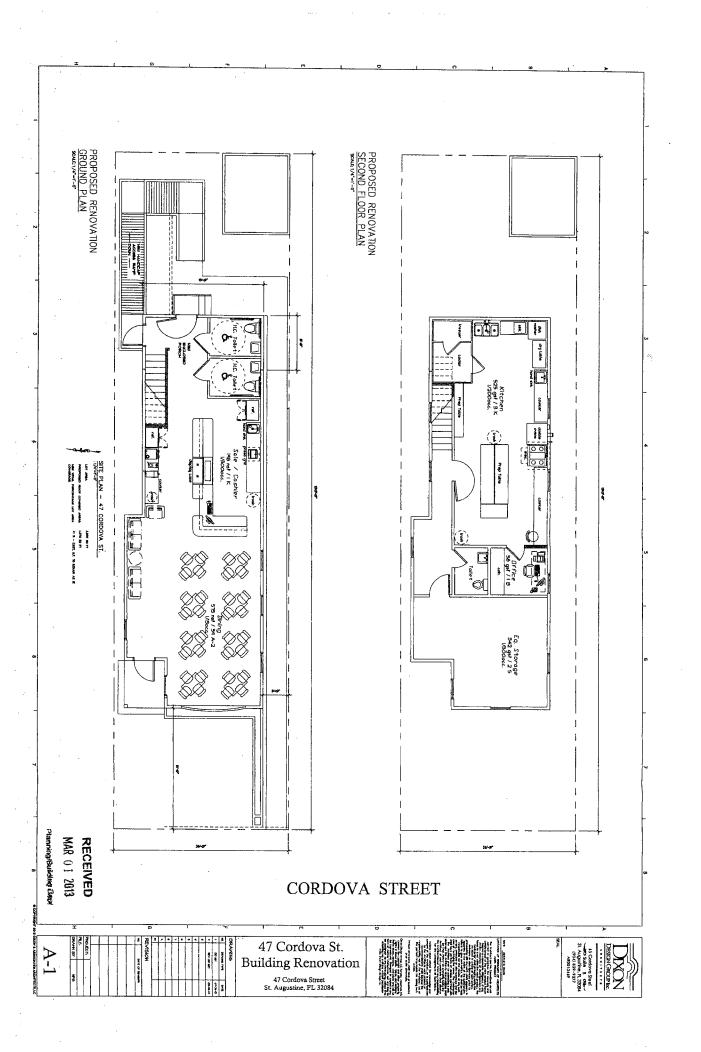


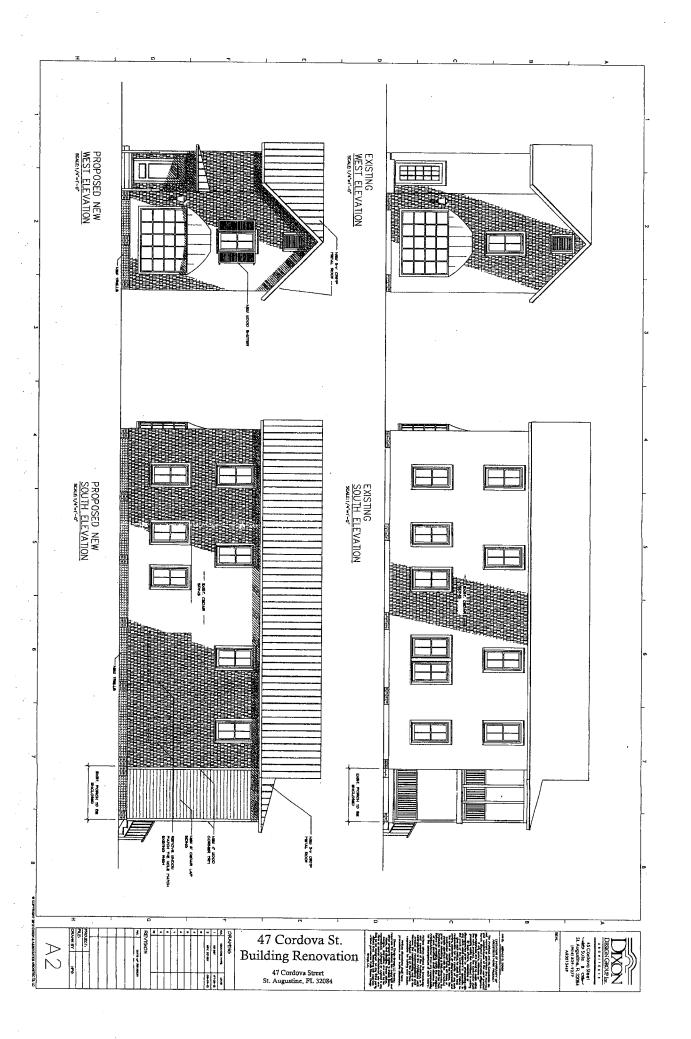


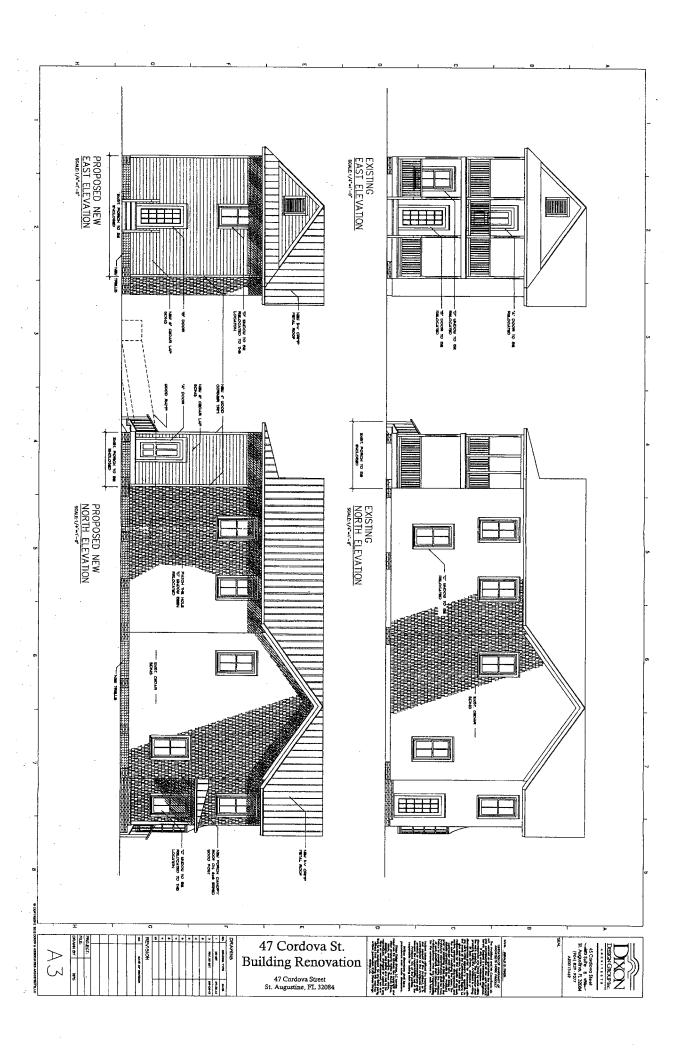


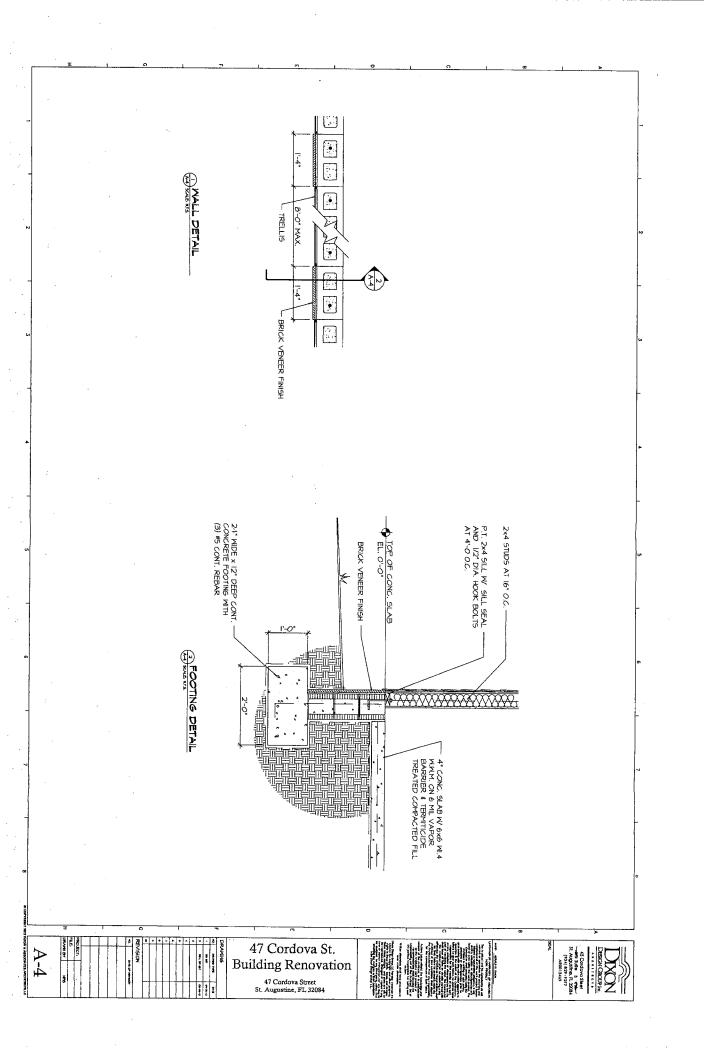


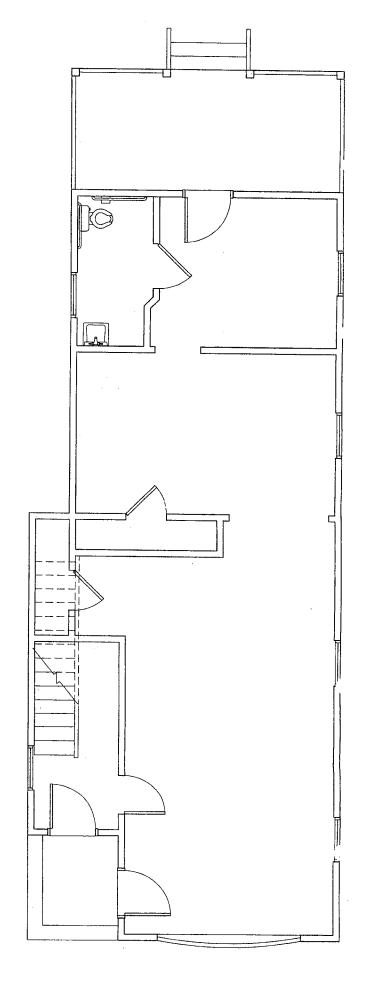












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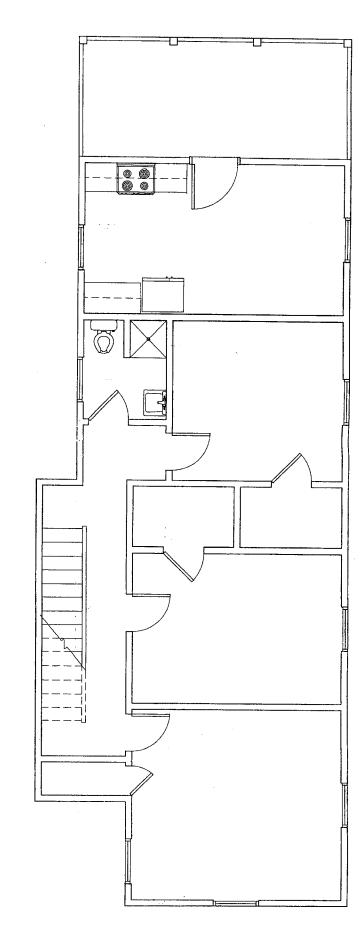
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### Historic Preservation Property Tax Exemption Application Amendment Sheet

Property Identification Number1980700000						
Address of property: Street 47 Cordova Street  CitySt. AugustineCounty_St. JohnsZip Code 32084						
CitySt. Augustine	County	St. Johns	Zip Code	32084		
1. Amendment Description: Indicate all changes in the project work, giving the originally proposed treatment and the amended work item description (use additional blank sheets if necessary):						
This amendment updates Mapproved as a COA and Ad Improvements to include amendment replicates ite 2013-0115 which was approf the building, install improvements. The items included in the March 21 being included so that twith the work approved i approved in the COA is pwhich are attached to the Augustine Planning Staff original ad valorem appl Historic Preservation Preview of Completed Work  2. Attach photographs and drawing the control of the control o	the new roof making presented in coved as a COA to an accessible in the September, 2013 Ad Valor the application on the COA. A morovided in the is amendment as fand HARB, Photocoperty Tax Exempte.	temption, parterial, wind a September oreplace with ramp, and course for 19, 2013 and Exemption is accurate, force detailed minutes of the reference is amendment at amendment apption Application is accurate.	rt 2/Description dows, and found r 19, 2013 Application were application were application by complete and description of the September 1 for the City of the complete and are provided as cation Part 3-R	n of ation. The ication e the height ing e not ut are now consistent f the items 9th meeting St. ded in the part of the		
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Mailing Address 2245 CR 13S						
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Daytime Telephone Number (_904_	501-9277					
Local Hist	toric Preservation	Office or Div	ision Use Only			
The ( )Local Historic Preservation Office or ( )Division has reviewed the Amendment Sheet for the above named property and hereby:						
<ul> <li>( ) Determines that the work description Application for the particle of the part</li></ul>	property is consistent for Rehabilitating Hist ibed in this Amendmen property is not consist	with the Secretan oric Buildings, an at to the Historic F ent with the Secr	ry of the Interior's St d the criteria set forth Preservation property retary of the Interior	andards for in Chapter Tax 's Standards for		

1A-38, F.A.C. All work not consistent with the referenced Standards, Guidelines and criteria is identified in

the Review Comments. Recommendations to assist the applicant in bringing the proposed work into compliance with the Standards, Guidelines and criteria are provided in the Review Comments.

### MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. (h) F2013-0115 - Len Weeks
Construction Co. - Applicant
Olde City Holdings, Inc. - Owner
47 Cordova Street<sup>8</sup>

To replace windows, increase the height of the building, to install an accessibility feature, and conduct landscape improvements.

Len Weeks recused himself, due to a conflict of interest.

Paul Weaver recused himself, due to a conflict of interest.

Ms. Wolfe said based on a review of the AGHP and without the support of evidence to the contrary, staff found that the board could TABLE Certificate of Appropriateness for the alterations to the building located at 47 Cordova Street unless the following can be provided or demonstrated as applicable:

- 1. Provide detail sheets for new windows, doors, and hardware as applicable
  - New windows would be wood 2/2 DHS in colors similar to pre-approved trim colors
  - Rear door would be the same door that was previously approved for the front door
  - Hardware would have a black metal finish, with a simple design
- 2. Provide section detail of handrails
  - Detail shown on revised plans following the approved standards (A-4)
- 3. Provide finish details for the mechanical lift system
  - Finish details for the lift would be a soft white and similar to the proposed trim color

- 4. Identify the heights above grade of windows and eaves on adjacent and landscape plans and provide more lighting details. Compatibility was demonstrated with the Cordova Street Building elevation, verbally described as 4" difference on window sills, 11" difference between eave of the building next door
- Reconcile the exterior light fixture schedule between construction and landscape plans and provide more lighting details
  - Light pole fixtures and wall sconces revised to more appropriate scale with the exception of the front yard pole height, which staff recommends not exceeding 8 foot height. No fixtures shown on the back patio area, which was still a concern
- Consider alternative for removal of the first floor window on the north elevation closet to the front entry
  - Removal is proposed because of the fire separation requirement and the opening would remain framed for future re-opening at a later time when conditions would allow it
- Provide accurate front and rear elevation that includes the landscape plan –
  - Still not provided; however, other details were provided; however, details were provided
- 8. Provide brick material, finish, and color for foundation, planter, and wall
  - Brick details were shown to staff as recycled brick that would be appropriate
- 9. Provide ADA gate details
  - The gate would a solid wood board gate with black hardware to remain open

<sup>8</sup> Staff report attached to original minutes

during business hours and closed after hours for security

## 10. Reconcile rear landing deck between the construction

- Rear deck has been extended to the building corner
- Determination by the board of any impact to the ad valorem tax exemption with the proposed changes
- 12. Additional revisions to the plan include the lattice screen that would be covered with plant material and a copper cap, a brick turtle detail on the patio, and signage. The first two items were not typical or represented in the AGHP and signage is approved separately administratively unless unique colors or fonts were presented

Ms. Wolfe said based on a review of the AGHP and without support of evidence to the contrary, staff found that the board could APPRVOE the Certificate for changes to 47 Cordova that would include the following 6 conditions:

- Reduce the height of the poles to 8 foot
- Provide elevation drawing that would interrelate landscape and building plans, particularly for the front elevation
- Discussion regarding any impact that would affect the ad valorem tax exemption
- Request for a sign approval Administrative approval that would require a separate permit
- Suggested based on the revisions to reduce the height of the last wall and brick piers to five foot overall, which would be in keeping with the residential side yard fence
- Brick turtle detail on the patio, which did not have a historic precedence and staff recommended that the

applicant consider something that would relate to the historic building

Jeremy Marquis and Jerry Dixon were sworn in.

Mr. Thomas asked staff if they had reviewed all of the packet materials that had just been presented by the applicant.

Ms. Wolff's response was affirmative; however, she had not reviewed the updated landscaping plan.

Jeremy Marquis, applicant provided the information as follows:

- Brick patio that would include brick planters
- Flowers selected for the planters would include – Rosemary, Thyme, Blackeyed Susan, Lavender, Cottage Pink and Yellow Allamanda
- Front clay brick Whitacre Greer ramp that would extend to the brick patio
- Turtle Medallion would be placed in between the ramp and stairs
- Anise would be planted on the southside
- Red Maple placed near the existing Palm tree
- Southside of property Lattice would be placed to provide a visual screen
- ADA accessible sidewalk
- Northside New gate to match the southside
- Two lights would be placed on each side of the Bay window
- Two post lights would be installed
- Lattice screen would be placed on top of the planter
- Four sided Colonial light fixture would be installed

- including a wall sconce and post figure
- Recycled brick would be used on all piers and planters - Florida Maple would be used
- Signage Turtle symbol had not received approval

Mr. Thomas guestioned whether staff had requested that the trellis height be reduced, and the response was affirmative.

Jerry Dixon, architect, providing information as follows:

- Structure had to be brought up to code
- Goal was to make the structure economically feasible for all parties
- Rear door would duplicate the front door to provide additional lighting
- Rear door would be painted or stained white to match
- Windows would be similar in color to match the existing
- Wood railing
- Rear mechanical lift9
- Gate style would have a pull/push system
- Request to remove a specified amount of windows

Public hearing opened; however, there was no response.

Mr. Roark asked for clarification regarding the remaining items that were still of concern for staff.

Ms. Wolfe stated the following:

- . Confirmation by the board that the changes would be required to be noted on the ad valorem tax exemption
- · Reduce height of lattice and brick wall; however, applicant requested

- to leave the wall at the existing height
- · Removing the brick turtle detail on the patio and using something more appropriate for the context

Mr. Thomas questioned the following:

- Lamp post height
- ❖ Post would be eight foot and lamp placed on top
- Material used for the turtle
- Brick
- Lattice height
- Would like the height to remain the same
- Any concerns regarding the tax exemption
- Amendment would be made

### MOTION

Mr. Roark MOVED APPROVE to Certificate **Appropriateness** of application F2013-0115 as submitted and use of selected materials. Motion SECONDED by Mr. Valdes.

### **VOTE ON MOTION:**

AYES: Roark, Valdes, Thomas **NAYES: NONE** MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. (i) F2013-0116 - BEHST Builders, Inc. -Applicant Barbara Lupient Revocable Trust -Owner

103 Marine Street10

To approve a unique color palette, alter door and window openings, use an alternate roof material, and to reconstruct the porch railings to the required height.

Ms. Wolfe said based on a review of the AGHP and without the support of evidence to the contrary, staff found that the board could APPROVE the request for a

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Break from 4:23 p.m. until 5:40 p.m.

<sup>10</sup> Staff report attached to original minutes

## PART 2 APPLICATION REVIEW For Local Historic Preservation Office or Division Use Only

Property Identification Number	198070000
Property Address 47 Co	rdova Street
The (X) Local Preservation Off Application for the above named	ice ( )Division has reviewed the Historic Preservation Property Tax Exemption property and hereby:
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	ttached order letter from Historic Architectural w Board meeting.
Additional Review Comments at	Signature  Signature  Typed or printed name  Jenny Wolfe
	Title Historic Preservation and SP Planner
	Date 2/19/15

List Additional Owners	•	
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•	Title Historic Preservation and SP Planner
	Date 2/19/15

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# City of St. Augustine

# Planning & Building Department

# Certificate of Completion

This certificate certifies that this building has been inspected and found to be In substantial compliance with applicable provision of Chapter 8 and Chapter 28 of the City Code and Section 106 of the 2007 Florida Building Code.

Building Address: 47 Cordova St. Permit No. 2013-0694 Parcel No. 198070-0000

Owner: Old City Holdings Inc. Address: 2245 CR 13 S City: Elkton

Project Description: Renovations State: FL Zip: 32033

Construction Type: 💟 Occupant Load: Occupancy Class: A-2

FIRM Zone: AE-9 Use Zone: HP-3 Building Area: 2156 s.f.

Finished Floor Elevation: 9.2 Automatic Sprinkler: Yes

Contractor: Len Weeks Construction Special Conditions:

Wil Franke, CBO
Building Official

4-8-/4 Date This instrument prepared by: City of St. Augustine 75 King Street Post Office Drawer 210 St. Augustine, FL 32085

BEFORE THE
HISTORIC ARCHITECTURAL
REVIEW BOARD
FOR THE
CITY OF ST. AUGUSTINE, FLORIDA

ORDER TO APPROVE
CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETENESS
AND RECOMMENDATION
FOR HISTORIC PROPERTY
TAX EXEMPTION
CASE NO. F2013-0026

### IN THE MATTER OF:

APPLICANT: Len Weeks Construction Design Development, LLC

62 Hypolita Street

St. Augustine, FL 32084

OWNER: Lisa Dalliare

RE: Certificate of Completeness and Recommendation for Historic Property Tax Exemption pursuant to Section 2-386, City of St. Augustine Code, Certification of the completed work for the Historic Preservation Property Tax Exemption application.

DESCRIPTION OF SITE OF CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETENESS AND RECOMMENDATION FOR HISTORIC PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION:

47 Cordova Street

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: CITY OF ST AUGUSTINE LOT 8 BLK 17 (EX \$25FT)

OR3728/1269.

PARCEL NUMBER: 198070-0000

THE HISTORIC ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD HAS HEARD TESTIMONY AND EXAMINED EVIDENCE AT A PUBLIC HEARING HELD ON FEBRUARY 19, 2015, AND BASED ON THE TESTIMONY AND EVIDENCE, THE HISTORIC ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD HAS DETERMINED AS FOLLOWS:

FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. Applicant is the legal owner, occupant, and/or representative of the owner/occupant of the subject property and duly submitted an application with the owner's knowledge, and was duly notified of the hearing, in accordance with Chapter 28 of the Code of the City of St. Augustine. The applicant or representative was present at the February 19, 2015 Historic Architectural Review Board meeting and testified under oath.
- 2. A public hearing was held, with notice given as required by law, and no members of the public spoke on this issue.
- 3. The subject property has a zoning classification of Historic Preservation Three (HP-3).

### **ORDER**

- 1. That based upon the evidence, testimony and exhibits presented at the hearing, the Applicant has presented the proper grounds for granting a Certificate of Completeness and Recommendation for Historic Property Tax Exemption and, therefore, the Certificate is granted in accordance with the application.
- 2. That the following conditions are applied to the granting of the Certificate of Completeness and Recommendation for Historic Property Tax Exemption, as follows:
  - None.

DONE AND ORDERED, at a public hearing on the 19th day of February. A.D., 2015, in the Alcazar Room, 75 King Street, St. Augustine, Florida.

CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETENESS AND RECOMMENDATION FOR HISTORIC PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION REQUEST APPROVED.

H. RANDAL ROARK, CHAIRMAN

HISTORIC ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD

CITY OF ST. AUGUSTINE, FLORIDA

STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF ST. JOHNS

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this day, H. Randall Roark personally appeared before me. an officer duly authorized to administer oaths and take acknowledgments, and H. Randal Roark, personally known to me and who is the person who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged before me that he executed the same for the purposes therein expressed.

Witness my hand and official seal, this \_/O

A.D., 2015.

SANDRA J. PARTIN NOTARY PUBLIC STATE OF FLORIDA Comm# FF118112 Expires 4/30/2018

Notary Public. State of Florida

### Historic Preservation Property Tax Exemption Application Part 3 – Request for Review of Completed work

Upon completion of the restoration, rehabilitation or renovation, return this form with photographs of the completed work (views of site improvements, exterior and interior work for buildings) to the Division of Historical Resources or the Local Historic Preservation Office, as applicable. These photographs must provide a comprehensive description of the completed work. They should be the same views as the *before* photographs included in Part 2 of the application. Type or print clearly in black ink. The final recommendation of the Division of Historical Resources or the Local Historic Preservation Office, as applicable, with respect to the requested historic preservation property tax exemption is made on the basis of the descriptions in this Request for Review of Completed Work.

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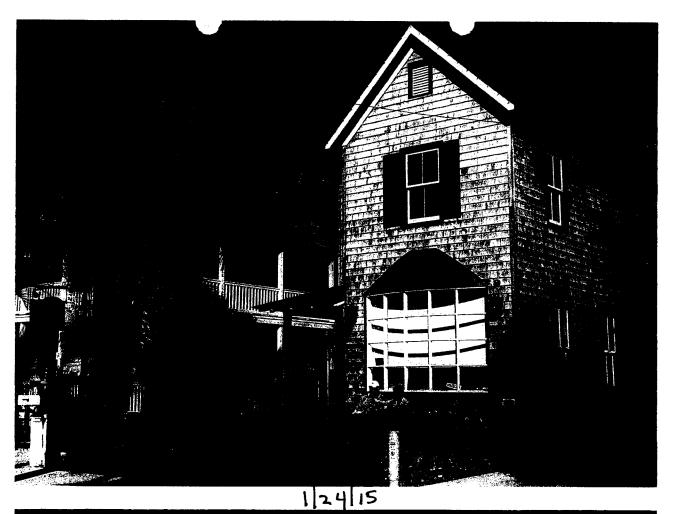
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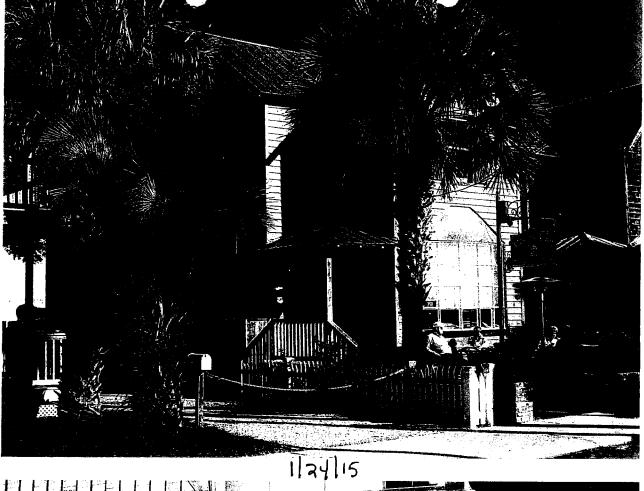
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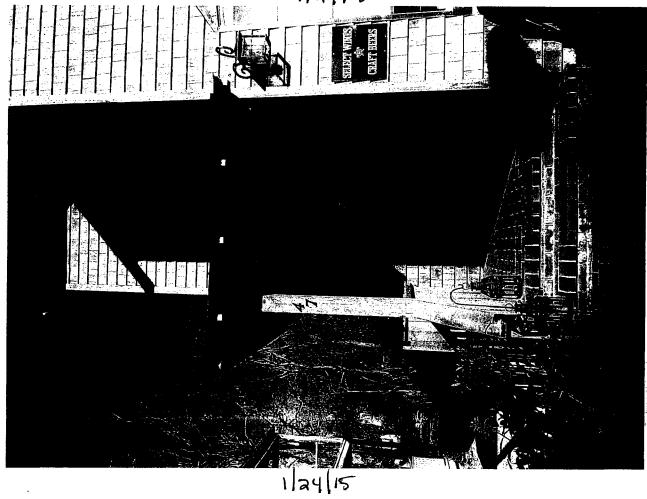






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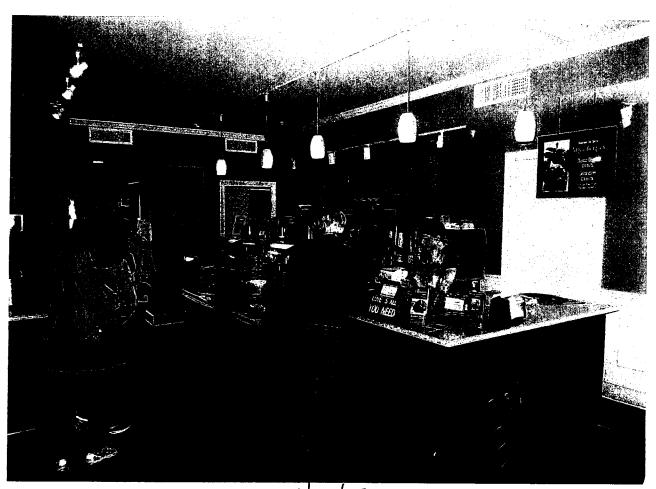


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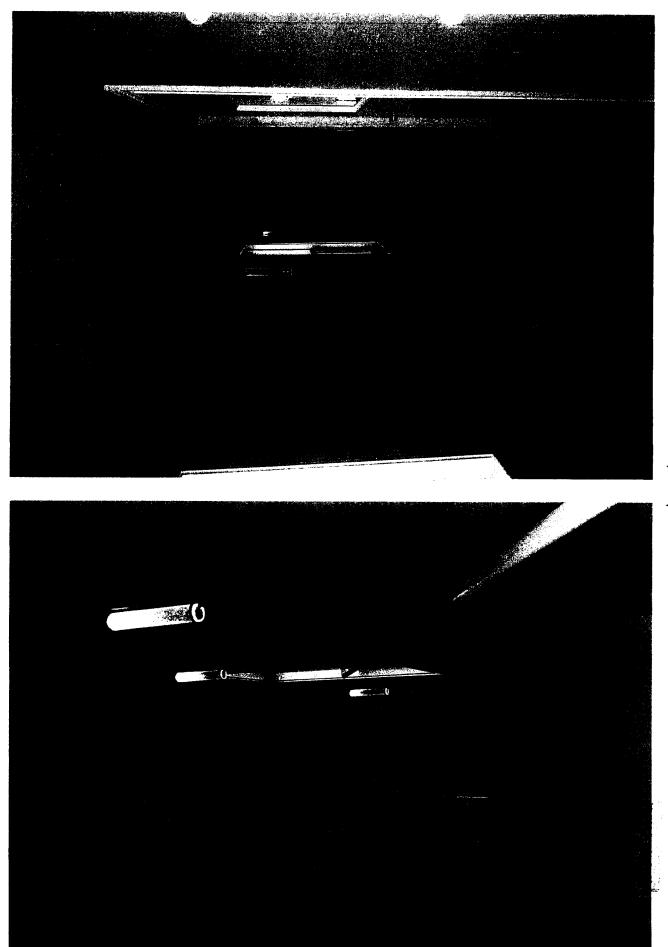


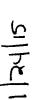
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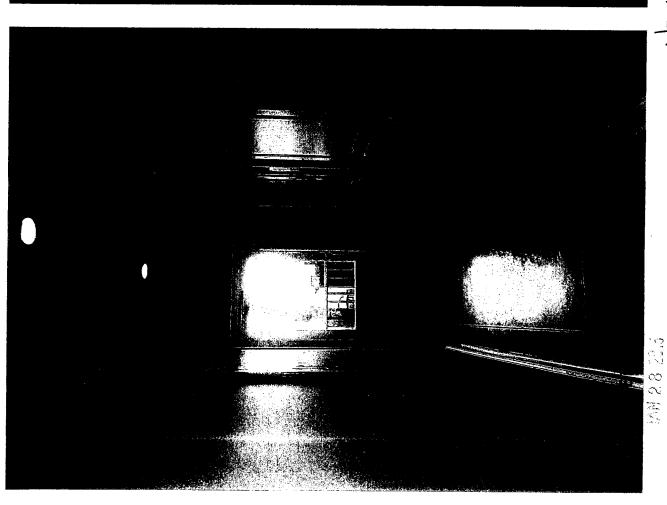




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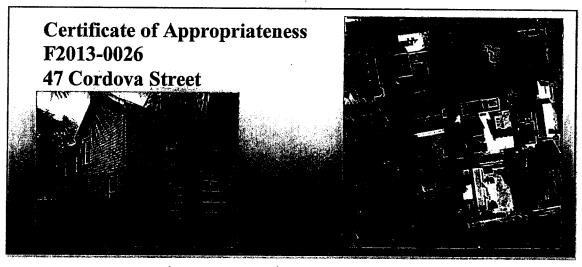


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### Historic Preservation Property Tax Exemption

In 1995 the City Commission adopted an ordinance allowing partial ad valorem tax exemptions for historic property if the property is being restored, rehabilitated or renovated according to specific guidelines. This exemption applies only to improvements to real property.

The exemption for qualifying properties is from ad valorem taxes levied by the City of St. Augustine on 100% of the assessed value of the improvement for 10 years.

In order to qualify for this tax exemption, the property must:

- 1. be individually listed in the National Register of Historic Places; or
- 2. be a contributing property to a National Register District; or
- be designated a historic property or be a contributing property in a locally established historic preservation district.

Further, to qualify for this tax exemption, the improvements to a property meeting one of the above criteria must also:

- 1. be consistent with the United States Secretary of Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation; and
- 2. be determined by the Historic Architectural Review Board to meet criteria established by the Department of State.

The minimum valuation of the improvement must be \$20,000 or 50% of the assessed value of the structure before the improvement, whichever is less.

Twenty-five percent (25%) of the proposed improvement must be to the exterior or foundation of the structure.

### How to Apply:

Applications for the Historic Preservation Property Tax Exemption must be made prior to the start of any construction work on the property, on forms provided by the Planning and Building Division from the Department of State.

The Historic Architectural Review Board must approve the plans, and the Planning and Building Division must issue a building permit for the proposed improvement before the start of any construction.

The review and approval process for the tax exemption is in addition to the building permit review process already established.

The Planning and Building Division is required to inspect the completed work to ensure that the construction has been completed as indicated on the plans submitted with the application for the tax exemption, and to ensure the continued maintenance of the improvements during the period of time that the exemption is in force.

### Activating the Tax Exemption:

The review and approval authority of the Historic Architectural Review Board (HARB) and the Planning and Building Division is administrative only. Final approval for the ad valorem tax exemption rests with the City Commission.

The property owner must sign an Historic Preservation Property Tax Exemption Covenant agreeing to maintain the improvements during the period of the exemption. This covenant must then be approved by resolution of the City Commission. The approved covenant must be recorded with the deed to the property to allow the Property Appraiser to activate the tax exemption.

### Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation

- 1. A property will be used as it was historically or be given a new use that requires minimal change to its distinctive materials, features, spaces, and spatial relationships.
- 2. The historic character of a property will be retained and preserved. The removal of distinctive materials or alteration of features, spaces, and spatial relationships that characterize a property will be avoided.
- 3. Each property will be recognized as a physical record of its time, place, and use. Changes that create a false sense of historical development, such as adding conjectural features or elements from other historic properties, will not be undertaken.
- 4. Changes to a property that have acquired historic significance in their own right will be retained and preserved.
- 5. Distinctive materials, features, finishes, and construction techniques or examples of craftsmanship that characterize a property will be preserved.
- 6. Deteriorated historic features will be repaired rather than replaced. Where the severity of deterioration requires replacement of a distinctive feature, the new feature will match the old in design, color, texture, and, where possible, materials. Replacement of missing features will be substantiated by documentary and physical evidence.
- 7. Chemical or physical treatments, if appropriate, will be undertaken using the gentlest means possible. Treatments that cause damage to historic materials will not be used.
- 8. Archeological resources will be protected and preserved in place. If such resources must be disturbed, mitigation measures will be undertaken.
- 9. New additions, exterior alterations, or related new construction will not destroy historic materials, features, and spatial relationships that characterize the property. The new work shall be differentiated from the old and will be compatible with the historic materials, features, size, scale and proportion, and massing to protect the integrity of the property and its environment.
- 10. New additions and adjacent or related new construction will be undertaken in such a manner that, if removed in the future, the essential form and integrity of the historic property and its environment would be unimpaired.

### Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation: Guidelines

### Choosing Rehabilitation as a Treatment

In Rehabilitation, historic building materials and character-defining features are protected and maintained as they are in the treatment Preservation; however, an assumption is made prior to work that existing historic fabric has become damaged or deteriorated over time and, as a result, more repair and replacement will be required. Thus, latitude is given in the Standards for Rehabilitation and Guidelines for Rehabilitation to replace extensively deteriorated, damaged, or missing features using either traditional or substitute materials. Of the four treatments, only Rehabilitation includes an opportunity to make possible an efficient contemporary use through alterations and additions.

### Identify, Retain, and Preserve Historic Materials and Features

Like Preservation, guidance for the treatment **Rehabilitation** begins with recommendations to identify the form and detailing of those architectural materials and features that are important in defining the building's historic character and which must be retained in order to preserve that character. Therefore, guidance on *identifying*, retaining, and preserving character-defining features is always given first. The character of a historic building may be defined by the form and detailing of exterior materials, such as masonry, wood, and metal; exterior

features, such as roofs, porches, and windows; interior materials, such as plaster and paint; and interior features, such as moldings and stairways, room configuration and spatial relationships, as well as structural and mechanical systems.

### Protect and Maintain Historic Materials and Features

After identifying those materials and features that are important and must be retained in the process of **Rehabilitation** work, then *protecting and maintaining* them are addressed. Protection generally involves the least degree of intervention and is preparatory to other work. For example, protection includes the maintenance of historic material through treatments such as rust removal, caulking, limited paint removal, and re-application of protective coatings; the cyclical cleaning of roof gutter systems; or installation of fencing, alarm systems and other temporary protective measures. Although a historic building will usually require more extensive work, an overall evaluation of its physical condition should always begin at this level.

### Repair Historic Materials and Features

Next, when the physical condition of character-defining materials and features warrants additional work *repairing* is recommended. Rehabilitation guidance for the repair of historic materials such as masonry, wood, and architectural metals again begins with the least degree of intervention possible such as patching, piecing-in, splicing, consolidating, or otherwise reinforcing or upgrading them according to recognized preservation methods. Repairing also includes the limited replacement in kind--or with compatible substitute material--of extensively deteriorated or missing parts of features when there are surviving prototypes (for example, brackets, dentils, steps, plaster, or portions of slate or tile roofing). Although using the same kind of material is always the preferred option, substitute material is acceptable if the form and design as well as the substitute material itself convey the visual appearance of the remaining parts of the feature and finish.

### Replace Deteriorated Historic Materials and Features

Following repair in the hierarchy, Rehabilitation guidance is provided for *replacing* an entire character-defining feature with new material because the level of deterioration or damage of materials precludes repair (for example, an exterior comice; an interior staircase; or a complete porch or storefront). If the essential form and detailing are still evident so that the physical evidence can be used to re-establish the feature as an integral part of the rehabilitation, then its replacement is appropriate. Like the guidance for repair, the preferred option is always replacement of the entire feature in kind, that is, with the same material. Because this approach may not always be technically or economically feasible, provisions are made to consider the use of a compatible substitute material. It should be noted that, while the National Park Service guidelines recommend the replacement of an entire character-defining feature that is extensively deteriorated, they never recommend removal and replacement with new material of a feature that—although damaged or deteriorated—could reasonably be repaired and thus preserved.

### Design for the Replacement of Missing Historic Features

When an entire interior or exterior feature is missing (for example, an entrance, or cast iron facade; or a principal staircase), it no longer plays a role in physically defining the historic character of the building unless it can be accurately recovered in form and detailing through the process of carefully documenting the historical appearance. Although accepting the loss is one possibility, where an important architectural feature is missing, its replacement is always recommended in the **Rehabilitation** guidelines as the first or preferred, course of action. Thus, if adequate historical, pictorial, and physical documentation exists so that the feature may be accurately reproduced, and if it is desirable to re-establish the feature as part of the building's historical appearance, then designing and constructing a new feature based on such information is appropriate. However, a second acceptable option for the replacement feature is a new design that is compatible with the remaining character-defining features of the historic building. The new design should always take into account the size, scale, and material of the historic building itself and, most importantly, should be clearly differentiated so that a false historical appearance is not created.

### Alterations/Additions for the New Use

Some exterior and interior alterations to a historic building are generally needed to assure its continued use, but it is most important that such alterations do not radically change, obscure, or destroy character-defining spaces, materials, features, or finishes. Alterations may include providing additional parking space on an existing historic building site; cutting new entrances or windows on secondary elevations; inserting an additional floor; installing an entirely new mechanical system; or creating an atrium or light well. Alteration may also include

the selective removal of buildings or other features of the environment or building site that are intrusive and therefore detract from the overall historic character. The construction of an exterior addition to a historic building may seem to be essential for the new use, but it is emphasized in the **Rehabilitation** guidelines that such new additions should be avoided, if possible, and considered only after it is determined that those needs cannot be met by altering secondary, i.e., non-character-defining interior spaces. If, after a thorough evaluation of interior solutions, an exterior addition is still judged to be the only viable alternative, it should be designed and constructed to be clearly differentiated from the historic building and so that the character-defining features are not radically changed, obscured, damaged, or destroyed. Additions and alterations to historic buildings are referenced within specific sections of the Rehabilitation guidelines such as Site, Roofs, Structural Systems, etc., but are addressed in detail in New Additions to Historic Buildings.

### Energy Efficiency/Accessibility Considerations/Health and Safety Code Considerations

These sections of the guidance address work done to meet accessibility requirements and health and safety code requirements; or retrofitting measures to improve energy efficiency. Although this work is quite often an important aspect of **Rehabilitation** projects, it is usually not a part of the overall process of protecting or repairing character-defining features; rather, such work is assessed for its potential negative impact on the building's historic character. For this reason, particular care must be taken not to radically change, obscure, damage, or destroy character-defining materials or features in the process of meeting code and energy requirements.

### STAFF SUMMARY & ANALYSIS

The property at 47 Cordova Street is a Frame Vernacular building that was constructed between 1899 and 1904. Unique details include the cedar shingle siding and wood two over two double hung windows. According to the 1904 Sanborn Fire Insurance Company map, the two properties 47 and 49 Cordova Street were identical in plan and showed a full front porch. The FMSF form indicates that the current appearance is a result of alterations in the 1970s which removed the front porch and added the bay window.

HARB has previously approved modifications to the front entry system and side window patterns, as well as enclosure of the rear porch. Now HARB must find that these changes and the interior changes meet the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation and that the information on the Department of State form is accurate.

First, the building has already been adapted for a new use because it has been a commercial establishment for many years and it was originally a residence. As early as 1949 it was a general contractor's business location. The exterior envelope is visibly in need of repair and upon exploratory interior demolition the project contractor identified the poor shape of many structural elements. As a result, the building needs to be fully rehabilitated and the process has already begun with both Certificates of Appropriateness that have been approved.

Inappropriate changes to the exterior included the addition of a bay window and removal of the front porch; however, this action was probably undertaken in the 1980s. Photodocumentation indicates the character of the original façade and it is preferable to the Standards if the original feature was restored. Otherwise, the current exterior renovations are in keeping with the Standards.

The application does not describe any interior features and the impact of new construction on those features. The current interior exists in a semi-demolished state which may be the explanation. However, the application should expand on the pre-existing significant interior features and floor plan and relate the current construction activities to the Standards.

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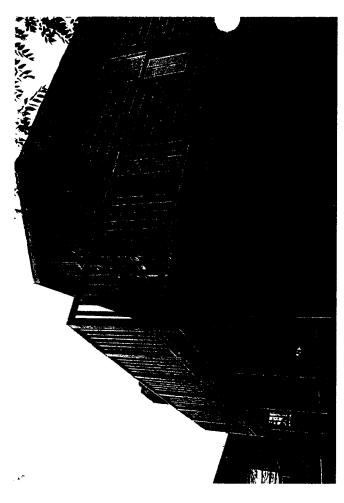
### STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Based on a review of the AGHP and without the support of evidence to the contrary, staff finds that the board can **approve** a certificate of appropriateness for the ad valorem tax exemption application at 47 Cordova Street with the following conditions:

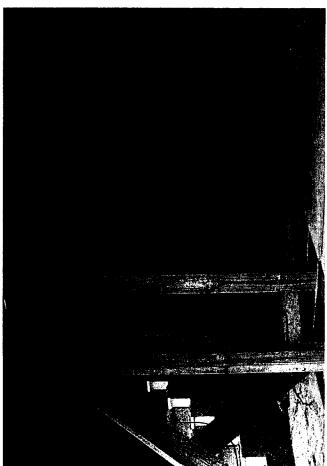
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Jenny Wolfe, MS Architectural Studies

Historic Preservation and Special Projects Planner









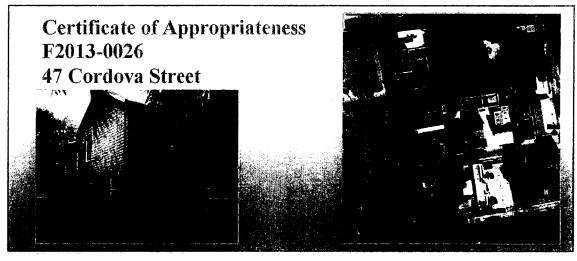


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Locally, roof types are usually gable, although hip and pyramidal roofs are common elsewhere. Porches commonly have hip or shed roofs. Prior to 1845, roof surfaces are covered with wood shakes or wood shingles. From 1845 to about 1920, roof surfaces are covered with metal, corrugated metal or metal novelty shingles. Beginning in the 1920s, roof surfaces are covered with composition shingles, diamond composition shingles or asbestos shingles. Chimneys are brick, and are occasionally finished with stucco.

Windows are usually double hung sash two-over-two or one-over-one. Locally, six-over-six and six-over-one are also common, but are seldom used after about 1920. Prior to the turn of the century, nine-over-six and eight-over-eight windows are also used. After the turn of the century, eight-over-one, four-over-one, three-over-one, and less commonly jalousie windows are also used. Attic louvers in the gable ends, and casement windows with various numbers of panes are common in all time periods.

Detailing is simple, usually consisting of jig-sawn woodwork on porches or around eaves, and corbels on chimneys.

### Historic Preservation Property Tax Exemption

In 1995 the City Commission adopted an ordinance allowing partial ad valorem tax exemptions for historic property if the property is being restored, rehabilitated or renovated according to specific guidelines. This exemption applies only to improvements to real property.

The exemption for qualifying properties is from ad valorem taxes levied by the City of St. Augustine on 100% of the assessed value of the improvement for 10 years.

In order to qualify for this tax exemption, the property must:

- 1. be individually listed in the National Register of Historic Places; or
- 2. be a contributing property to a National Register District; or
- be designated a historic property or be a contributing property in a locally established historic preservation district.

Further, to qualify for this tax exemption, the improvements to a property meeting one of the above criteria must also:

- 1. be consistent with the United States Secretary of Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation; and
- be determined by the Historic Architectural Review Board to meet criteria established by the Department of State.

The minimum valuation of the improvement must be \$20,000 or 50% of the assessed value of the structure before the improvement, whichever is less.

Twenty-five percent (25%) of the proposed improvement must be to the exterior or foundation of the structure.

### How to Apply:

Applications for the Historic Preservation Property Tax Exemption must be made prior to the start of any construction work on the property, on forms provided by the Planning and Building Division from the Department of State.

The Historic Architectural Review Board must approve the plans, and the Planning and Building Division must issue a building permit for the proposed improvement before the start of any construction.

The review and approval process for the tax exemption is in addition to the building permit review process already established.

The Planning and Building Division is required to inspect the completed work to ensure that the construction has been completed as indicated on the plans submitted with the application for the tax exemption, and to ensure the continued maintenance of the improvements during the period of time that the exemption is in force.

### Activating the Tax Exemption:

The review and approval authority of the Historic Architectural Review Board (HARB) and the Planning and Building Division is administrative only. Final approval for the ad valorem tax exemption rests with the City Commission.

The property owner must sign an Historic Preservation Property Tax Exemption Covenant agreeing to maintain the improvements during the period of the exemption. This covenant must then be approved by resolution of the City Commission. The approved covenant must be recorded with the deed to the property to allow the Property Appraiser to activate the tax exemption.

### Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation

- 1. A property will be used as it was historically or be given a new use that requires minimal change to its distinctive materials, features, spaces, and spatial relationships.
- 2. The historic character of a property will be retained and preserved. The removal of distinctive materials or alteration of features, spaces, and spatial relationships that characterize a property will be avoided.
- 3. Each property will be recognized as a physical record of its time, place, and use. Changes that create a false sense of historical development, such as adding conjectural features or elements from other historic properties, will not be undertaken.
- 4. Changes to a property that have acquired historic significance in their own right will be retained and preserved.
- 5. Distinctive materials, features, finishes, and construction techniques or examples of craftsmanship that characterize a property will be preserved.
- 6. Deteriorated historic features will be repaired rather than replaced. Where the severity of deterioration requires replacement of a distinctive feature, the new feature will match the old in design, color, texture, and, where possible, materials. Replacement of missing features will be substantiated by documentary and physical evidence.
- 7. Chemical or physical treatments, if appropriate, will be undertaken using the gentlest means possible. Treatments that cause damage to historic materials will not be used.
- 8. Archeological resources will be protected and preserved in place. If such resources must be disturbed, mitigation measures will be undertaken.
- 9. New additions, exterior alterations, or related new construction will not destroy historic materials, features, and spatial relationships that characterize the property. The new work shall be differentiated from the old and will be compatible with the historic materials, features, size, scale and proportion, and massing to protect the integrity of the property and its environment.
- 10. New additions and adjacent or related new construction will be undertaken in such a manner that, if removed in the future, the essential form and integrity of the historic property and its environment would be unimpaired.

Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation: Guidelines

### Choosing Rehabilitation as a Treatment

In **Rehabilitation**, historic building materials and character-defining features are protected and maintained as they are in the treatment Preservation; however, an assumption is made prior to work that existing historic fabric has become damaged or deteriorated over time and, as a result, more repair and replacement will be required. Thus, latitude is given in the **Standards for Rehabilitation and Guidelines for Rehabilitation** to replace extensively deteriorated, damaged, or missing features using either traditional or substitute materials. Of the four treatments, only Rehabilitation includes an opportunity to make possible an efficient contemporary use through alterations and additions.

### Identify, Retain, and Preserve Historic Materials and Features

Like Preservation, guidance for the treatment **Rehabilitation** begins with recommendations to identify the form and detailing of those architectural materials and features that are important in defining the building's historic character and which must be retained in order to preserve that character. Therefore, guidance on *identifying*, *retaining*, *and preserving* character-defining features is always given first. The character of a historic building may be defined by the form and detailing of exterior materials, such as masonry, wood, and metal; exterior

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features, such as roofs, porches, and windows; interior materials, such as plaster and paint; and interior features, such as moldings and stairways, room configuration and spatial relationships, as well as structural and mechanical systems.

### Protect and Maintain Historic Materials and Features

After identifying those materials and features that are important and must be retained in the process of **Rehabilitation** work, then *protecting and maintaining* them are addressed. Protection generally involves the least degree of intervention and is preparatory to other work. For example, protection includes the maintenance of historic material through treatments such as rust removal, caulking, limited paint removal, and re-application of protective coatings; the cyclical cleaning of roof gutter systems; or installation of fencing, alarm systems and other temporary protective measures. Although a historic building will usually require more extensive work, an overall evaluation of its physical condition should always begin at this level.

### Repair Historic Materials and Features

Next, when the physical condition of character-defining materials and features warrants additional work *repairing* is recommended. **Rehabilitation** guidance for the repair of historic materials such as masonry, wood, and architectural metals again begins with the least degree of intervention possible such as patching, piecing-in, splicing, consolidating, or otherwise reinforcing or upgrading them according to recognized preservation methods. Repairing also includes the limited replacement in kind--or with compatible substitute material--of extensively deteriorated or missing parts of features when there are surviving prototypes (for example, brackets, dentils, steps, plaster, or portions of slate or tile roofing). Although using the same kind of material is always the preferred option, substitute material is acceptable if the form and design as well as the substitute material itself convey the visual appearance of the remaining parts of the feature and finish.

### Replace Deteriorated Historic Materials and Features

Following repair in the hierarchy, **Rehabilitation** guidance is provided for *replacing* an entire character-defining feature with new material because the level of deterioration or damage of materials precludes repair (for example, an exterior cornice; an interior staircase; or a complete porch or storefront). If the essential form and detailing are still evident so that the physical evidence can be used to re-establish the feature as an integral part of the rehabilitation, then its replacement is appropriate. Like the guidance for repair, the preferred option is always replacement of the entire feature in kind, that is, with the same material. Because this approach may not always be technically or economically feasible, provisions are made to consider the use of a compatible substitute material. It should be noted that, while the National Park Service guidelines recommend the replacement of an entire character-defining feature that is extensively deteriorated, they never recommend removal and replacement with new material of a feature that--although damaged or deteriorated--could reasonably be repaired and thus preserved.

### Design for the Replacement of Missing Historic Features

When an entire interior or exterior feature is missing (for example, an entrance, or cast iron facade; or a principal staircase), it no longer plays a role in physically defining the historic character of the building unless it can be accurately recovered in form and detailing through the process of carefully documenting the historical appearance. Although accepting the loss is one possibility, where an important architectural feature is missing, its replacement is always recommended in the **Rehabilitation** guidelines as the first or preferred, course of action. Thus, if adequate historical, pictorial, and physical documentation exists so that the feature may be accurately reproduced, and if it is desirable to re-establish the feature as part of the building's historical appearance, then designing and constructing a new feature based on such information is appropriate. However, a second acceptable option for the replacement feature is a new design that is compatible with the remaining character-defining features of the historic building. The new design should always take into account the size, scale, and material of the historic building itself and, most importantly, should be clearly differentiated so that a false historical appearance is not created.

### Alterations/Additions for the New Use

Some exterior and interior alterations to a historic building are generally needed to assure its continued use, but it is most important that such alterations do not radically change, obscure, or destroy character-defining spaces, materials, features, or finishes. Alterations may include providing additional parking space on an existing historic building site; cutting new entrances or windows on secondary elevations; inserting an additional floor; installing an entirely new mechanical system; or creating an atrium or light well. Alteration may also include

the selective removal of buildings or other features of the environment or building site that are intrusive and therefore detract from the overall historic character. The construction of an exterior addition to a historic building may seem to be essential for the new use, but it is emphasized in the **Rehabilitation** guidelines that such new additions should be avoided, if possible, and considered only after it is determined that those needs cannot be met by altering secondary, i.e., non-character-defining interior spaces. If, after a thorough evaluation of interior solutions, an exterior addition is still judged to be the only viable alternative, it should be designed and constructed to be clearly differentiated from the historic building and so that the character-defining features are not radically changed, obscured, damaged, or destroyed. Additions and alterations to historic buildings are referenced within specific sections of the Rehabilitation guidelines such as Site, Roofs, Structural Systems, etc., but are addressed in detail in New Additions to Historic Buildings.

### Energy Efficiency/Accessibility Considerations/Health and Safety Code Considerations

These sections of the guidance address work done to meet accessibility requirements and health and safety code requirements; or retrofitting measures to improve energy efficiency. Although this work is quite often an important aspect of **Rehabilitation** projects, it is usually not a part of the overall process of protecting or repairing character-defining features; rather, such work is assessed for its potential negative impact on the building's historic character. For this reason, particular care must be taken not to radically change, obscure, damage, or destroy character-defining materials or features in the process of meeting code and energy requirements.

### STAFF SUMMARY & ANALYSIS

The property at 47 Cordova Street is a Frame Vernacular building that was constructed between 1899 and 1904. This building has been reviewed by HARB for three Certificates of Appropriateness to cover work performed on the interior and exterior of the building and one of the applications simply covers the review for application of the tax exemption. Routine maintenance and repair was also performed that was permitted administratively. The project has been completed and this application is being reviewed to certify that the changes were made in accordance with what the HARB approved and that the application is complete.

Staff requested confirmation of the work to be included with the tax exemption since there have been multiple reviews. To clarify the scope, the applicant will be submitting an amendment form so that the narrative description matches the plans and completed work. The work performed was consistent with the previously issued COAs and the application will be complete with this amendment.

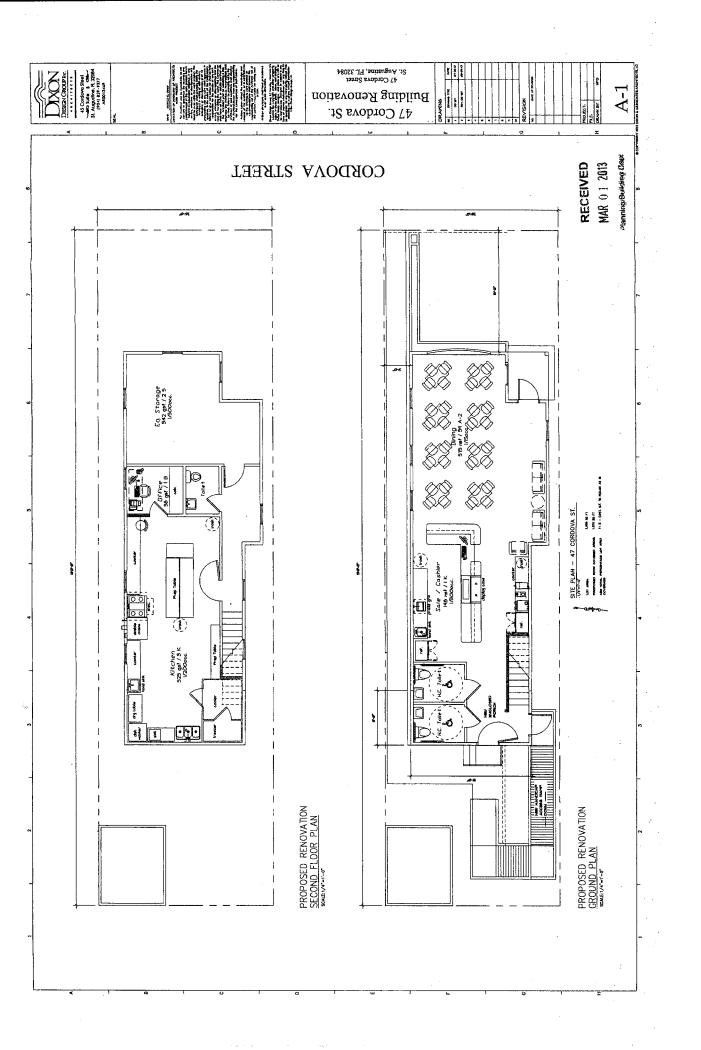
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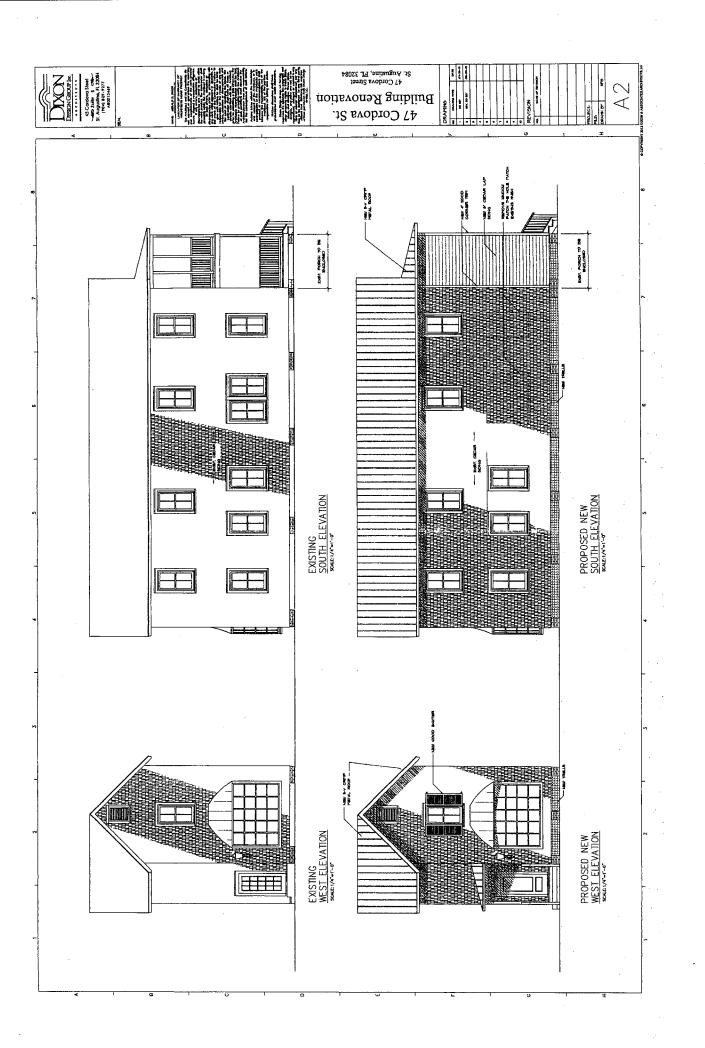
Based on a review of the AGHP and without the support of evidence to the contrary, staff finds that the board can **approve** a certificate of appropriateness for the ad valorem tax exemption application at 47 Cordova Street with the following condition:

1. Completion of the amendment form which corresponds to the approved and permitted scope of work identified in the plans of record.

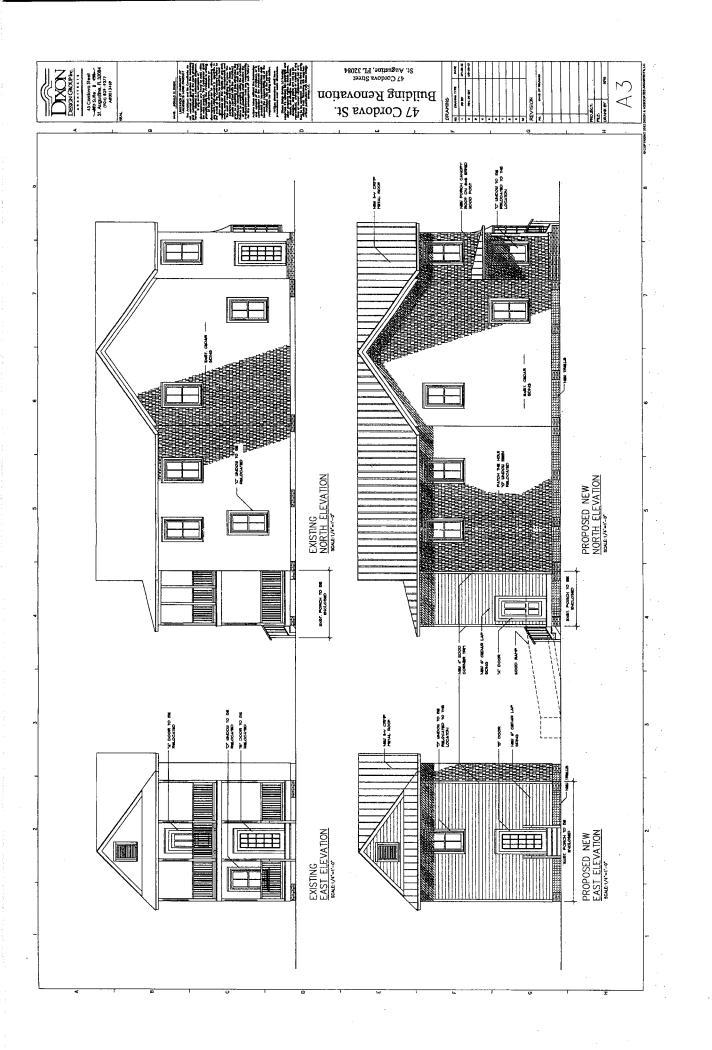
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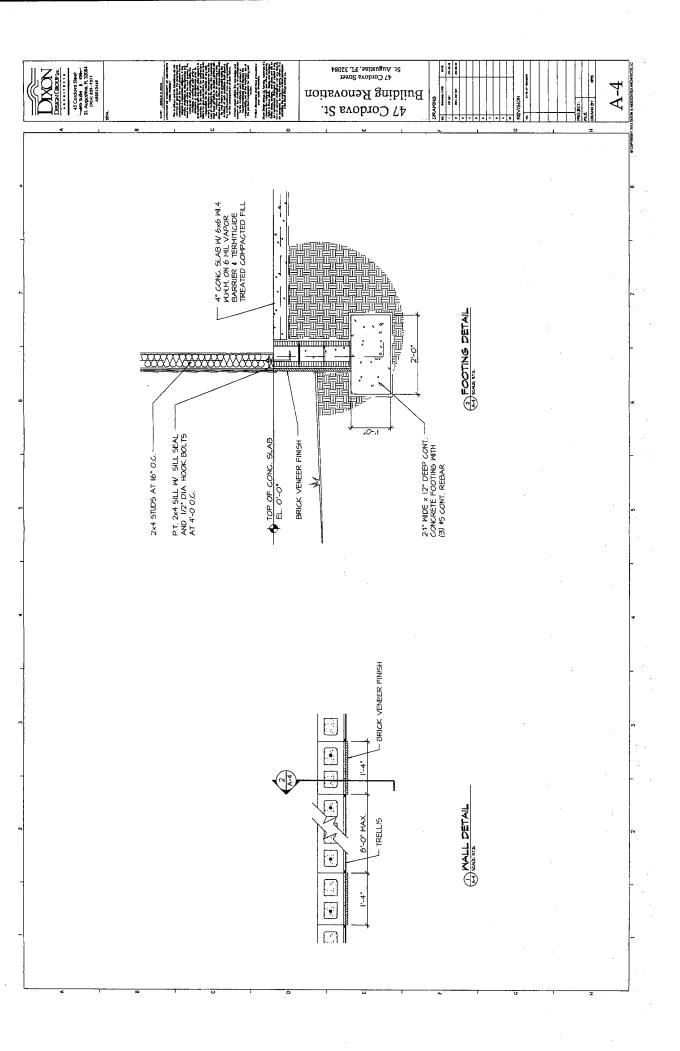
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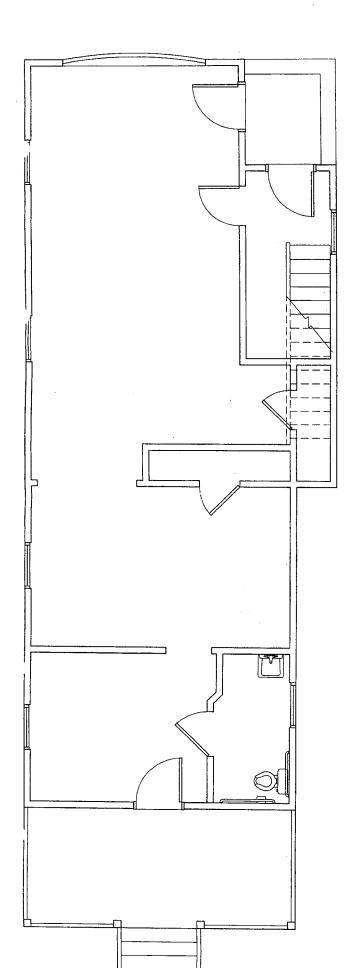
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INTERIOR SPACES RENOVATION

 FIRST FLOOR PLAN
 434 a/c

 SECOND FLOOR PLAN
 874 a/c

 TOTAL
 1,813 a/c

BACK COVER PORCH

 FIRST FLOOR PLAN
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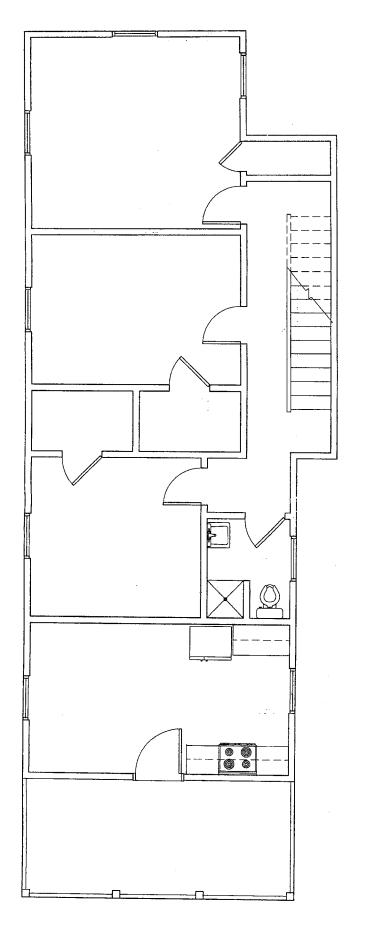
 SECOND FLOOR PLAN
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 TOTAL
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FIRST FLOOR PLAN

SCALE: 1/4" = 1'-0"

EXISTING BLDG.



SECOND FLOOR PLAN SCALE, 1/4" = 1'-0" EXISTING BLDG.