A Workshop of the Apalachicola City Commission was held on Tuesday, July 2, 2024, at 2:00 PM at the Former Apalachicola Municipal Library, 74 6th Street, Apalachicola, Florida.

Present: Mayor Brenda Ash, Commissioner Anita Grove, Commissioner Adriane Elliott, Commissioner Despina George, Commissioner Donna Duncan, City Manager Travis Wade, City Clerk Sheneidra Cummings, Finance Director Lee Mathes, City Planner Bree Robinson, Police Chief Bobby Varnes

The Workshop Meeting called to order by Mayor Ash followed by prayer and Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENTATION

Brett Hamlin with Hamlin Architects presented the Commission with an update on the African American History Museum. Mr. Hamlin discussed various design changes, informed the Commission that they are still working out the details for stormwater drainage, and opened the discussion for questions.

Discussion held.

The Commission was in support of the design changes.

Mayor Ash inquired about the safety and security of the structure, specifically the doors.

In response to Mayor Ash's concerns, Mr. Hamlin stated that all doors and windows would be compliant with the Florida Building Code and the Fire Safety Code. Mr. Hamlin also stated that the renderings were at 50% completion and at 75%-90% completion, the design would include more of the electrical and landscape components, however after the 50% completion, it's more of the technical details of the structure so that they can move to the next phase of being able to price out the work. Mr. Hamlin recommended having another workshop at the 75% completion step where the Commission and public would have the opportunity to review the full construction document, and the placement of outlets, light fixtures etc.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Val Webb concurred with Mayor Ash further suggesting the importance of ensuring the structure from theft namely, because various art lenders such as the Smithsonian would require specific security measures.

Mr. Hamlin encouraged Mrs. Webb to send any additional information from institutions such as the Smithsonian regarding specific security requirements so it could be factored into the structure and budget and presented to the Commission for their review.

No further questions or comments.

A motion to end AAHM Workshop was made by Commissioner Grove , 2^{nd} by Commissioner Elliott. None opposed. Motion carried.

Workshop Adjourned.

Brenda Ash, Mayor

Sheneidra Cummings, City Clerk