

HISTORIC RESOURCE TASK FORCE
July 11, 2001 – 3:30 P.M.
BASEMENT CONFERENCE ROOM

1. Approval of Minutes
2. Status of Court Square Project
3. Status of Tour Booklet
4. Discussion of New State Historic Markers
5. Discussion of Local Markers
6. Other Business

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**Historic Resources Task Force
Minutes
June 13, 2001
Basement Conference Room
3:30 p.m.**

Present:

Mark Beliles
Mary Hill Caperton
Winston Churchill Gooding
Ingrid Smyer Kelley
Frances Fife
Lynn Heetdirks
Helena Devereaux
Garrett Smith
Richard Britton

Others Present:

Satyendra Singh Huja

The May 9, 2001 minutes were adopted as presented. Mr. Huja gave a status report on the Historic Court Square, indicating that we may receive another \$400,000 transferred from a previous project. We may also receive another \$100,00 for the project that involves 5th Street connecting the Court Square to the mall. Decisions on these issues will be made by the end of June. The consultant is modifying the plans slightly to eliminate 3 parking spaces on the western side of Park Street, where it meets Jefferson Street. The consultant will also attempt to gain 2 more parking spaces on Jefferson Street. Resulting in a net loss of 1 or 2 parking spaces from the existing situation. The consultant has met with the utility people to coordinate their efforts. The city has also received estimates for under grounding from Virginia Power and Sprint. They are fairly expensive, especially for Sprint. If all of the funds become available, we could have up to 2 million dollars for the project. The present schedule is to send out the bids by the end of the year and have the project under construction by the spring of 2002.

Mr. Beliles stated that Lexus has agreed to do the printing of a 50 to 100-page booklet up to 2,000 copies. Lexus has mentioned that they can only do 2 color covers. Lexus has also commented that the photographs may not be as crisp. Mr. Smith stated that the subcommittee has 6 tours laid out, 4 maps completed, and an additional 4 tours need to be laid out. He stated that the map quality is not very good, due to the transfer from one type of file to another. Mr. Smith also mentioned that the final booklet could have up to 12 tours. Mr. Beliles, Mr. Huja and Ms. Caperton raised questions about the size of the booklet, as well as the desirability of 12 tours. They indicated that originally the booklet was to be small for the tourist, similar to the booklet done in Culpeper. It was moved by Mr. Fife and second by Ms. Caperton that they would like to see the complete booklet of up to 100 pages, so that it can accommodate all of the tours. The motion was accepted with Ms. Devereaux

abstaining. There was an agreement that Mr. Garrett will meet with Mr. Huja to see if the maps can be done differently. The committee members will seek additional funds for layout of the tour book.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m. The next meeting will be July 11, 2001.