TO: HONORABLE CITY COUNCIL
FROM: CITY MANAGER
DEPARTMENT: Planning and Community Environment
DATE: June 7, 2004
CMR:289:04
SUBJECT: POLICY AND SERVICES COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION TO IMPLEMENT PRESERVATION INCENTIVES FOR CITY-OWNED HISTORIC STRUCTURES

RECOMMENDATION
Staff and the Policy and Services Committee recommend that City Council make a motion to initiate a change to the Zoning regulations to implement a Historic Preservation Incentive Program for City-owned structures.

COMMITTEE REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATIONS
At its meeting on December 9, 2003, the Policy and Services Committee voted 4-0 to accept staff’s recommendation to implement a Historic Building Incentive Program for City-owned buildings.

The Policy and Services Committee identified and discussed the following issues to be addressed in developing the ordinance: whether receiver sites would be limited to the Downtown; how Transfer Development Rights would be marketed; enforcement of conservation easements; which City-owned buildings would be potential sender sites and the amount of floor area that could be transferred; and the pros and cons of identifying specific sender buildings as part of the ordinance, or on a case-by-case basis. All of these issues will be explored and alternatives presented to the Council when the draft ordinance is prepared.
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ATTACHMENTS  
Attachment A:  CMR:555:03, Preservation Incentives For City-Owned Historic Structures, December 9, 2003  
Attachment B:  Memorandum from the Office of the City Attorney, Preservation Incentives for City-owned Historic Structures, December 4, 2003.  
Attachment C:  Minutes of Policy and Services Committee meeting, December 9, 2003  
Attachment D:  List of City-Owned Historic Structures