



THE CITY OF KEY WEST

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Date: July 2, 2019
To: Bahama Village Redevelopment Advisory Committee
From: Amanda Willett-Ramirez, Community Redevelopment Manager
Subject: Cornish Memorial AME Zion Church – Exterior Painting 2019

Action Statement:

Review proposal submitted by contractor for painting of exterior of church building and determine appropriate use of allocated funds.

Background:

In 2009-2010, Architect Michael Miller was contracted by the City to oversee restoration projects of Cornish Memorial AME Zion Church for which TIF funds in the amount of \$417,000.00 were authorized and allocated for the repair and restoration of the church. Please see the attached Updated Phase 1 Cost Status Report.

On July 27, 2017, Cornish Memorial AME Zion Church submitted an application for new TIF funding for restoration of the church. At its meeting on December 7, 2017, the Bahama Village Redevelopment Advisory Committee (BVRAC) recommended to the CRA certain expenditures of TIF funds to Cornish Memorial AME Zion Church as well as three other entities/properties.

On January 18, 2018, the CRA, by Resolution No. 18-037, authorized use of these TIF funds for those entities/properties. Cornish Memorial AME Zion Church was allocated \$38,268.21 of which \$12,500.00 was used for fumigation. \$25,768.21 is the remaining balance of the allocation that has not yet been used. The Church suffered damage from Hurricane Irma in 2017 which caused delay in their restoration goals. The Church is presently ready to proceed with restoration and has received a quote from SB Painting & Grounds in the amount of \$25,000.00 for painting of the front exterior of the building and \$31,500.00 for the painting of sides and back of the building.

Recommendation Options for the Board to Consider:

The board needs to consider the past amounts that have been allocated to restoration and repair of the church and make a determination on how to proceed. Some options include:

Key to the Caribbean – average yearly temperature 77 ° Fahrenheit.

1. Proceed with authorizing the painting of the front exterior only for \$25,000.00 as outlined by the quote received from SB Painting & Grounds; or
2. Allow the remaining balance of \$25,768.21 to be used for different repair project within the church that would be a complete project; or
3. Deny funding altogether and return the allocated funds to the 601 Bahama Village TIF budget for capital projects referenced in Vision Plan prepared By Zyscovich Architects that was approved by the City Commission by Resolution 18-038.