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City of Key West, Caroline Street Corridor and Bahama Village Community Redevelopment Agency. (CKW/CRA) Approved Resolution number: 15-218



THE CITY OF KEY WEST

Post Office Box 1409 Key West, FL 33041-1409 (305) 809-3700

June 22, 2015

William M. Barry
President & Chair Emeritus
And
John Dolan-Heitlinger
Treasurer

Schooner Western Union Preservation Society & Museum
P.O. Box 4379
Key West, FL 33041

RE: City of Key West \$250,000 funding Letter of Commitment for the preservation of the
Schooner Western Union

Dear Mr. Barry and Mr. Dolan-Heitlinger:

This is to inform you and the Schooner Western Union Preservation Society & Museum (SWUPS) board of directors that Resolution No. 15-218 was passed and adopted by the City of Key West, Caroline Street Corridor and Bahama Village Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA), authorizing a funding "Letter of Commitment" from the City of Key West in the amount of up to \$250,000.00 in support of the preservation of the Schooner Western Union, contingent upon the award of a State of Florida Historic Preservation Grant in the amount up to \$500,000.00 (2 : 1 ratio of State funding to local funding) and the execution of an agreement to ensure that the Schooner Western Union will remain at the Key West Historic Seaport.

A certified copy of Resolution No. 15-218 as recorded in the City Clerk's office is attached.

Sincerely,

James K. Scholl
City Manager

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WHEREAS, the Schooner Western Union was submitted to the National Register of Historic Places on May 16, 1984; and

WHEREAS, in Resolution No. 97-301, the City of Key West proclaimed the Schooner Western Union the Official Flagship of the City of Key West, and in the Florida State House Rotunda it is listed as the State Flagship of Florida; and

WHEREAS, the Schooner Western Union remains an integral piece of the history of Key West and the Historic Seaport at Key West Bight; and

WHEREAS, the Schooner Western Union requires substantial restoration and upgrades to remain seaworthy, and continue its role as a unique example of living history to educate residents

and visitors about the significant role of Key West, and the State of Florida, within maritime history; and

WHEREAS, the Schooner Western Union Preservation Society (SWUPS), a 501(c)3 non-profit organization, is charged with preserving the Schooner Western Union, and has identified a State Historic Preservation grant funding program, which requires a funding match of up to \$250,000.00, towards a restoration project with a total value of up to \$750,000.00; and

WHEREAS, at its meeting of June 10, 2015, the Key West Bight Management District Board considered SWUPS request for a funding Letter of Commitment from the City, in support of their grant application; and

WHEREAS, a Letter of Commitment would enable SWUPS to meet the grant deadline of June 30, 2015 and help to preserve the Schooner Western Union for generations to come; and

WHEREAS, there are sufficient funds in the Key West Bight unrestricted reserves to account for this cost.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CAROLINE STREET CORRIDOR AND BAHAMA VILLAGE COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY, AS FOLLOWS:

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Section 6: That the City Manager is authorized to execute a Letter of Commitment for the amount of up to \$250,000.00, as required for grant application purposes for the State of Florida Historic Preservation Grant documents, upon the advice and consent of the City Attorney.


Section 7: That this Resolution shall go into effect immediately upon its passage and adoption and authentication by the signature of the presiding officer and the Clerk of the Agency.

Passed and adopted by the Caroline Street Corridor and Bahama Village Community Redevelopment Agency at a meeting held this 16 day of June, 2015.

Authenticated by the presiding officer and Clerk of the Agency on June 17, 2015.

Filed with the Clerk June 17, 2015.

Chairman Craig Cates	<u>Yes</u>
Vice Chair Mark Rossi	<u>No</u>
Commissioner Teri Johnston	<u>Yes</u>
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Commissioner Jimmy Weekley	<u>Yes</u>
Commissioner Tony Yaniz	<u>No</u>


CRAIG CATES, CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:


CHERYL SMITH, CITY CLERK



STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF MONROE
CITY OF KEY WEST

This copy is a true copy of the original on file in this office. Witness my hand and official seal this 22nd day of June, 2015

Deputy City Clerk

By Luisa P. Harrison

SWUPS app Attachment B Letters of Support Cover.docx

Attachment B: Letters of Support, Endorsement, or Resolutions: Provide a cover sheet for Attachment B that includes the following information for each letter of support, endorsement or resolution included in your application: name of author, type of communication (letter, petition, resolution, etc.), organization represented (if applicable) and date.

Resolutions

Approved Resolution, Item (2): \$250,000 Schooner Western Union, FL DOS Grant Match Funding Commitment by Key West Bight Management Board, City of Key West, June 10, 2015

(Sent to City of Key West Commission for ratification.)

Approved Resolution No. 15-218: \$250,000 Schooner Western Union, FL DOS Grant Match Funding Commitment by City of Key West, Caroline Street Corridor and Bahama Village Community Redevelopment Agency (CRAL) 17-22 Jun 2015

Approved Resolution: City of Key West Resolution No. 97-301: designation naming the schooner Western Union as Official Flagship of the City of Key West.

Approved Resolution: Enacted by the Florida State Legislature, Senate Bill, No. 326, designating the schooner Western Union as the official state flagship. Approved by the Governor April 27, 2012. Effective date: July 1, 2012.

Letters of Support:

Florida State Senator Dwight Bullard, District 39, dated June 29, 2015

Florida State House Representative Holly Raschein, District 120, dated June 26, 2015

Monroe County Commissioner and Mayor Pro Tem Heather Carruthers, dated June 26, 2015

Key West Mayor Craig Cates, dated June 29, 2015

Mr. Andrew A. Newman, VP Newman PR, dated June 25, 2015

Mr. Sheldon Davidson Key West resident, dated June 26, 2015

Mr. Edwin O. Swift, III, President of Historic Tours of America, dated June 30, 2015



City of Key West, FL

510 Greene Street
Key West, FL 33040

Action Minutes - Final

Key West Bight Management District Board

Wednesday, June 10, 2015

5:00 PM

Old City Hall

NOTE:

KEY WEST BIGHT MANAGEMENT BOARD JUNE 10, 2015 MEETING:

**BOARD APPROVED RECOMMENDATION TO THE CITY OF KEY WEST COMMISSION OF A \$250,000 MATCH COMMITMENT BE PROVIDED FROM THE BIGHT RESERVE FUND
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**CITY OF KEY WEST CLERK RECORDED MEETING MINUTES OF ABOVE MOTION ON
THESE MINUTES**

ADA Assistance: It is the policy of the City of Key West to comply with all requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Please call the TTY number at 305-809-1000 or the ADA Coordinator at 305-809-3731 at least five business days in advance for sign language interpreters, assistive listening devices, or materials in accessible format.

Call Meeting To Order

5:01 P.M.

Roll Call

Absent 1 - Chairman Knowles

Present 6 - Mr. Ashby, Mr. Bowman, Gardner, Mr. Henson, Hughes, and Ms. Ovide

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Approval of Agenda *It was moved by Mr. Bowman and seconded by Ms. Ovide to approve the agenda as presented. There were no objections.*

Approval of Minutes

1 May 13, 2015 (Regular)

Attachments: [Minutes](#)

A motion was made by Ms. Ovide, seconded by Mr. Gardner, that the Minutes be Approved. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

Action Items

Key West Bight Management
District Board

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2 Approving the commitment of \$250,000.00 to the Schooner Western Union Preservation Society.

Sponsors: Mr. Bowman

Attachments: [Schooner Western Union Preservation Society Request Index](#)

[Executive Summary](#)

[Timeline](#)

[Presentation](#)

[Citizen Article](#)

[Citizen Editorial](#)

[State Flagship Designation Senate Bill](#)

[Key West Resolution 97-301](#)

[National Park Service Register of Historic Places](#)

[Schooner Western Union](#)

[Letter from SWUPS](#)

[Letter from Richard Manley](#)

[Letter from Cori Convertito](#)

It was moved by Board Member Hughes and seconded by Board Member Ovide to approve the item with the following conditions: that the ship remain in Key West Bight; that the insurance be maintained, that this Board receive monthly reports regarding the

schedule and the budget and that the full \$250,000.00 be committed. Mr. Ashby asked for an amendment to the motion to include that this award be contingent on no funds being dispursed until the State matched funds become available. After discussion the original motion and conditions were withdrawn as was the second.

A motion was made by Mr. Hughes, seconded by Mr. Bowman, that the Item be Passed with the following conditions: that the ship cannot be sold, that the ship is to remain at the Key West Bight, that the insurance be maintained and include the City of Key West listed as additional insured, that monthly reports on the schedule and budget be provided to the Board and that the two for one match up to \$250,000.00 be approved by the State and is in place to the satisfaction of Staff. The motion carried by the following vote:

Absent: 1 - Chairman Knowles

Yes: 6 - Mr. Ashby, Mr. Bowman, Mr. Gardner, Mr. Henson, Mr. Hughes, and Ms. Ovide

Reports

Key West Bight Management
District Board

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3 Manager's Report

Attachments: [May 2015 Monthly Managers Report](#)
[Comparison Report May 2015](#)
[Port and Marine Project Status](#)

Received and Filed

4 Accounts Receivable Report

Attachments: [A/R List](#)

Received and Filed

5 Key West Bight Preservation Association Report

Attachments: [KW Bight Preservation Association](#)

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6 Old Business

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Public Comment

Board Comments

Adjournment

6:44



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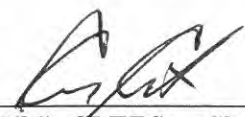
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CRAIG CATES, CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:


CHERYL SMITH, CITY CLERK



STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF MONROE
CITY OF KEY WEST

This copy is a true copy of the original on file in this office. Witness my hand and official seal this 22nd day of June, 2015

Deputy City Clerk

By Luisa P. Harrison

RESOLUTION NO. 97-301

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF KEY WEST, FLORIDA, PROCLAIMING THE SCHOONER "WESTERN UNION" THE OFFICIAL FLAGSHIP OF THE CITY OF KEY WEST; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, the City Commission of the City of Key West desires to honor the 130 foot Schooner "Western Union" as one of Key West's most crucial maritime historical treasures; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission of the City of Key West desires to see the Schooner "Western Union" remain in Key West, and specifically in her slip at the Key West Bight, serving as the centerpiece of that maritime historical district;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF KEY WEST, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1: That the Schooner "Western Union" is hereby proclaimed to be the Official Flagship of the City of Key West.

Section 2: That this Resolution shall go into effect immediately upon its passage and adoption and authentication by the signature of the presiding officer and the Clerk of the Commission.

Passed and adopted by the City Commission at a meeting held this 5th day of August, 1997.

Authenticated by the presiding officer and Clerk of the Commission on August 5, 1997.

Filed with the Clerk August 7, 1997.

ATTEST:


JOSEPHINE PARKER, CITY CLERK


DENNIS J. WARDLOW, MAYOR

97-301

CHAPTER 2012-158

Senate Bill No. 326

An act relating to state symbols; creating s. 15.0465, F.S.; designating the schooner Western Union as the official state flagship; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Section 15.0465, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

15.0465 Official state flagship.—The schooner Western Union, a 130-foot historic sailing vessel of the tall ship class, built in Key West and first launched in 1939, is designated the official state flagship.

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2012.

Approved by the Governor April 27, 2012.

Filed in Office Secretary of State April 27, 2012.



THE FLORIDA SENATE

Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1100

COMMITTEES:

Agriculture, *Vice Chair*
Appropriations Subcommittee on Education
Appropriations Subcommittee on General
Government
Education
Environmental Preservation and Conservation
Military Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security

JOINT COMMITTEE:

Joint Administrative Procedures Committee

SENATOR DWIGHT BULLARD

39th District

June 29, 2015

Mr. Robert F. Bendus, Director
Division of Historical Resources
R.A. Gray Building
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0250

Dear Mr. Bendus,

I am writing in support of The Schooner Western Union Preservation Society & Museum (SWUPS), a Florida 501(c) (3) not-for profit, charged with preserving and operating the Official State of Florida & City of Key West Flagship, the schooner Western Union. I support the museum's funding request for assistance in the final planned restoration and preservation of the historic state flagship, The Schooner Western Union

Launched in April 1939, the 76 year old schooner was the last of the iconic coasting schooners built and launched in Key West. The schooner maintained the Western Union Telegraph Company undersea telephone and telegraph cables that linked Florida's coastal cities to the Caribbean island nations, Central & South America, and the Gulf states. In doing so, the schooner greatly contributed to Florida's economic growth. And In 2012, the Florida House and Senate voted unanimously to designate the historic schooner the official Flagship of the State of Florida.

The Key West City Commission also passed Resolution No.15-218--providing a \$250,000 Letter of Funding Commitment to support the final planned restoration preservation of the historic state flagship, the Schooner Western Union. This further displays the local commitment to the project as it will in turn provide a significant economic benefit to the community. When operating, the schooner generates a tourist visitor income of \$1 million a year, of which, 90 percent of those revenues (\$900,000) are returned to the Key West community in the form of local payroll, commissions, and locally purchased supplies and hardware.

It is for the aforementioned that I stand in support of The Schooner Western Union Preservation Society & Museum's Historic Preservations grant application. I am requesting that you fund their application to the full extent possible.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. Bullard", is written over a horizontal line.

State Senator, District 39

REPLY TO:

- ☐ 10720 Caribbean Boulevard, #435, Cutler Bay, Florida 33189
- ☐ 218 Senate Office Building, 404 South Monroe Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1100 (850) 487-5039

Senate's Website: www.flsenate.gov

DON GAETZ
President of the Senate

GARRETT RICHTER
President Pro Tempore



Florida House of Representatives

Representative Holly Raschein

District 120

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(305) 453-1202
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Tallahassee, FL 32399
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Email: Holly.Raschein@myfloridahouse.gov

June 26, 2015

Mr. Robert F. Bendus, Director
Division of Historical Resources
R.A. Gray Building
Tallahassee, FL 32399

Dear Mr. Bendus:

I would like to express my enthusiastic support for the Schooner Western Union Preservation Society application for a Florida Department of State Historic Preservation Grant. This grant will allow them to complete the much needed renovations to return this great sailing vessel to its original pristine sailing condition.

The Western Union, designated as the State of Florida's official flagship, is the last working coastal sailing vessel and the last of its kind every built in Monroe County. The Schooner Western Union first launched in Key West in 1939 as a cable tender in order to maintain the communications link between Florida cities, the Caribbean, and South America. In 1984, the U.S. Department of Interior placed the schooner on the National Register of Historic Places. In July 2012 the Governor signed legislation making the schooner Western Union a state treasure. When in operation, the ship has the ability to generate \$1 million annually, of which 90% is returned to the Key West community. The City of Key West has also made a commitment to the preservation of this ship; committing \$250,000 in funds from the City should this state grant be awarded.

I whole heartedly support the Schooner Western Union Preservation Society and I urge your favorable consideration of this grant application and continued support for this beautiful piece of state history. Please feel free to contact me should you need any additional information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Holly Raschein", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Holly Raschein
State Representative
District 120

***Committees: Appropriations Committee, Highway and Waterway Safety Subcommittee,
Regulatory Affairs Committee and Veteran and Military Affairs Subcommittee***

County of Monroe

The Florida Keys



BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Mayor Danny L. Kolhage, District 1
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George Neugent, District 2
David Rice, District 4
Sylvia J. Murphy, District 5

Mr. Robert Bendus, Director
Division of Historical Resources
500 South Bronough Street
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0250

June 26, 2015

Dear Mr. Bendus:

I am writing to express my support for the Schooner Western Union Preservation Society's grant application for restoration of Florida & the City of Key West's official flagship, The Schooner Western Union.

As one of America's last wooden schooners and with its past as a working boat that laid telegraph lines, the Western Union is an important historical icon. In 1984, The Schooner Western Union was placed on the "National Register of Historic Places" in recognition of its significant place in Florida and Key West's history. It is a maritime heritage that adds a sizable economic benefit to the community by bringing tourists to Key West.

In addition, when in operation, the Schooner generates an income of \$1 million per year; 90% of those revenues are returned to the local economy providing Monroe County and the City of Key West to continue as sales tax revenue donors to the state.

As the State of Florida has already acknowledged, the Schooner is a state treasure and as such, it is only fitting that the State contribute to its renovation. I heartily endorse this project and am hopeful that you will make it a funding priority by partnering with Monroe County and Key West in the preservation of this significant vessel.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Heather Carruthers", is written over a blue circular stamp.

Heather Carruthers
Monroe County Mayor Pro Tem
Monroe County Commissioner, District 3

cc: William M. Barry



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June 29th, 2015

Mr. Robert F. Bendus, Director
Division of Historical Resources
R.A. Gray Buidling
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0250

To Whom It May Concern,

May this letter serve as declaration of my full support of the ongoing renovations of the Schooner Western Union, Official State of Florida and City of Key West Flagship, by way of the Schooner Western Union Preservation Society& Museum (SWUPS).

This ship is a jewel in the crown of the City of Key West. The SWUPS has done an exceptional job of preserving and maintaining the integrity of this historical ship since it was deemed the task.

Valuable services are delivered to our residents and visitors when visiting the Schooner Western Union. Not only does it offer an educational component through its historical accounting, but the sheer experience of being on a vessel so beautiful and unique, preserved through time, is something truly invaluable. Those who visit the Western union can feel and see what it was like to stand on the very same ship that stood almost exactly the same way over 76 years ago. It was a great contributor to Florida's economic growth as it maintained the Western Union Telegraph Company's undersea telephone and telegraph cables that linked Florida's coastal cities to the Caribbean island nations, Central & South America, and the Gulf States. Today, it serves as host to field trips for children and adults. It shares a rich history with our island and is truly something special to us, as well as the entire state of Florida most evident by the Florida House & Senates unanimous vote to designate it as the official Flagship of our state. It is something our island community is so very proud to offer residents and visitors alike.

The Western Union stands tall in the Historic district of Key West. It is a treasure available to over 3,000,000 tourists each year that come to visit our island. It is riddled with culture, history and serves a significant purpose to our community. It very much deserves the support of grants such as this one to maintain the structural integrity and historical accuracy of what is a glorious State & City Flagship in the very heart of downtown Key West.

Sincerely,

Craig Cates
Mayor
City of Key West

Key to the Caribbean – Average yearly temperature 77° F.



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June 25, 2015

Mr. Robert F. Bendus,
Director,
Division of Historical Resources
R.A. Gray Building
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Dear Mr. Bendus:

I spearhead the media relations initiative for the Florida Keys & Key West tourism council and have had the good fortune to do that for almost 35 years.

I am extremely familiar with the Schooner Western Union and the significant role it has played in the maritime history of the Florida Keys as well as Florida.

The vessel has also been an important tool for us as public relations vehicle to attract favorable coverage for Key West's maritime history.

In fact we were able to generate significant domestic and international news coverage for both the Western Union and Key West during the first restoration phase. And it is my hope that the vessel, with the allocation of additional preservation funds can continue to serve as a magnet for additional news coverage that will create additional awareness of the history of the Keys and Florida as a whole.

Most sincerely,

Andrew A. Newman
Vice President/ Account Supervisor

S H E L D O N D A V I D S O N

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Re: The Schooner, Western Union

Dear Mr. Bendus:

The undersigned resides at 1312 Olivia Street, Key West, Florida. I am active in community affairs and have served on the boards of several not-for profit corporations, including the Florida Keys Assisted Care Coalition and Hometown PAC.

The Western Union, official flagship of the City of Key West and the State of Florida, has for seventy-five years, been a vital part of Key West's history. Its continuing use taking students, locals and tourists on inspiring and educational sailings is a testament to our State's rich maritime history. Locals receive a 50% discount on tickets.

It is the last tall ship built in Monroe County and was constructed and launched off Simonton Beach in Key West in 1939. In 2007, the schooner was donated to the all-volunteer Schooner Western Union Preservation Society (SWUPS) debt free so that contributions from the public would be charitable and used to maintain her. The reality is that old wooden ships always require preservation to remain a part of our living history.

Now, the Schooner Western Union requires financial assistance in order to meet the Coast Guard requirements for passenger ships before she can sail again. I have been advised that the SWUPS Board has submitted an application to the FL DOS, Historic Preservation Grant Program.

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As you are aware, the City of Key West \$250,000 funding commitment enables SWUPS to apply for the FL DOS (2 to 1) grant match. One of the criteria to be used in granting a Historic Preservation Grant is demonstrating local community support of the applicant's proposed project. The SWUPS Board has demonstrated that such local support has been met. And, with the ongoing support of individual and company donors, and the help of public funds, the schooner can be saved.

I recommend to you that the application be approved. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Sheldon Davidson



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June 30, 2015

Mr. Robert Bendus, Director
Division of Historical Resources
500 South Bronough St.
Tallahassee, Fl. 32399-0250

Dear Mr. Bendus:

Historic Tours of America® is company founded in Key West, Florida in 1980 with operations now St. Augustine, FL and four (soon to be five) other national cities.

We now nationally operate in Key West, Boston, Washington D.C., San Diego, St. Augustine and Savannah and are opening next year in Nashville, Tennessee.

We created our company to share historic stories with our guests in the six cities where we give tours including St. Augustine and Key West. During our business life we have also completed 25 historic building renovations. Historic preservation is a core value to our company.

Since the time we first went into business, in the early 1970's, we have been interested in the preservation of the *Schooner Western Union*. We, like many, donated funds to keep her here in Key West.

In 1984 Jimmy Buffet performed a "fundraiser concert" to attempt to save her for the island, however, Key West was on hard times and the *Western Union* was sold. She had her name changed and left Key West and the State of Florida. Up north, she became part of a program to rehabilitate wayward boys who would sail and work to keep her in sailing condition.

Then in 1996 Paul and Evalena Worthington, of the Schooner Wharf Bar, at the Key West Bight came to us with a proposition to bring the Union back to Key West returning her to her origins'. We helped fund her return and bought the historic ship but she was in fairly sorry condition.

Historic Tours of America® is a "private company" and operated her unprofitably for nine years, because of the high cost of wooden ship maintenance and restoration.

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CONCH TOUR TRAIN • KEY WEST AQUARIUM • KEY WEST SHIPWRECK TREASURE MUSEUM® • FLAGLER STATION • MALLORY SQUARE FESTIVAL MARKETPLACE
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However, we were yet still determined to fully restore the ship and have her represent the State and the City of Key West as a symbol of our maritime heritage.

The *Western Union* proved she can operate and generate close to one million in revenues a year. This is enough to cover expenses and set aside some reserves but the *Union* needed to generate funds for full restoration and we had no access to historic restoration grants as a private entity.

Twice during the Jeb Bush administration we had her passed unanimously through the Florida House and Senate to become the Flagship of the State of Florida only to be vetoed by Governor Bush. When questioned, Jeb told me that he felt the ship should be the State Flagship but must gain not-for-profit status first.

In October 2007 our company paid off the \$500,000 loan that had been in place since we purchased her and turned her over to a not-for-profit board with a interest group of Key West volunteers who desired to save the *Union* for the community.

The group, the *Schooner Western Union Preservation Society* (SWUPS) has raised over \$1.2 million and in 2011 completed phase one of a major two phase total restoration of the 76-yr. old wooden schooner.

SWUPS has now received a \$250,000 Letter of Funding Commitment from the City Key West as a match towards applying for the FL DOS Historic Preservation (two to one) match grant. It should be noted, that 74% of the almost \$2 million required to restore the State of Florida and City of Key West Flagship has been raised from Monroe County public, private and non-profit funds.

With approval the FL DOS Historic Preservation Grant request of \$500,000 submitted SWUPS, the final restoration can be completed and the Flagship returned to service for Florida's visitor and residents to enjoy. Saving this historic ship is a worthy legacy and tribute to Florida's maritime heritage for future generations.

During the past eight years Historic Tours of America® still continued to raise and spend money on behalf of the *Western Union*. During the initial partial \$1,000,000 restoration from 2009 to 2011 we have paid off bank loans for the *Union* and lent additional matching funds totaling \$613,000. We have charged no interest nor taken any payments in order to further her quest to permanently return to service.

Our requirement of our loans being payable were only if the ship were ever sold to a private entity or, were to depart Key West permanently under any type of

ownership. These requirements are no longer necessary because the City and State grants will carry the same restrictive covenants.

Should the State of Florida choose to consummate the grant request for the *Western Union*; then Historic Tours of America® will forgive these liens to make her again debt free.

The *Western Union* should belong to the people of Key West and the State of Florida.

The schooner's proven million dollar a year income generated from tourist enjoying a Key West sunset sail or a memorable wedding charters are returned to the city and state through crew payrolls, hospitality staff commissions, and local purchase of supplies and hardware.

SWPS as a non-profit and with the states grant assistance to complete the final (76-yr.) major restoration, the State and City Flagship, the *Schooner Western Union* can and should become self-sustaining.

Historic Tours of America® has, to date, contributed over \$2,000,000 to the return and "Preservation of the *Union*" and we believe that she is finally in the position to be saved for the Public Trust. The public loves her and she will continue to represent the City of Key West and the State of Florida well into the future.

Sincerely yours,



Edwin O. Swift, III
President
Historic Tours of America, Inc.

SWUPS app Attachment C Digital Images.docx

Provide in Attachment C: representative digital images. Include current photographs of all exterior elevations, principal interior spaces, and significant architectural features, if available, also provide historic photographs of the property.

1. Schooner Western Union Under Sail
2. SWU Phase One Restoration
3. SWU Pending Phase Two Restoration

Schooner Western Union



*Official Flagship
State of Florida & City of Key West*

*Schooner Western Union
Phase One Restoration
Below Water Line 2009-11
Performed at Truman Waterfront, Key West*



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Schooner Western Union
Pending Phase Two Restoration Work
To be performed at the MarPro Marine Tarpon Springs Boat Yard.



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State of Florida & City of Key West

Attachment D: architectural project schematics or construction documents, if completed.

The Annotated MARPRO Repair Estimate is included with greater detail on the costs of restoring the Schooner Western Union.

Annotated & Adjusted Marpro Restoration & Repair Estimate 28 June 2015

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#6 , #7, #8 -Whole Main Deck - Estimated Labor	Days	Hours	Rate	Amount
remove all old existing deck	22	320	65.00	20,800.00
repair deck beams	12	80	65.00	10,000.00
replace new decking	18	378	65.00	24,570.00
final layer of decking "fir"	18	246	65.00	15,990.00
Estimated subtotal				\$71,360.00

Main Deck- Estimated Materials	Quantity	Price	Type	Amount
stainless steel screws for deck fastenings				6,000.00
putty bedding	10	95.00	gall	950.00
Estimated subtotal				\$6,950.00

	Quantity	Price	Type	Amount
Fir Pine Lumber				
2" X 6" X 12" to 14" & 1" X 6" X 12" to 14"	336	150.00	pcs	40,000.00
2" X 4" X 12"	20	26.71	pcs	534.20
1" X 4" X 12"	84	13.93	pcs	1,170.12
Estimated subtotal				\$41,704.32
Main Deck - Estimated Total				\$120,014.32

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# 26 - Engine Room- Estimated Labor	Days	Hours	Rate	Amount
Repair air cooling system	7	49	75.00	3,675.00
Alternator and starter repairs	2	11	75.00	825.00
Gen Set Bearing & cooling, <i>provided bolts do not break</i>	2.5	35	75.00	2,625.00
Estimated				\$7,125.00

Engine Room -Estimated Parts and Materials	
Complete bilge cleaning	1,500.00
Water tight bulkhead between engine room & amidships repair	6,500.00
tbd upon evaluation of existing parts, what needs to be purchased	
Engine Room - Estimated Total	\$15,125.00

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ESTIMATE- NEW VESSEL MAIN ENGINES INCLUDING COMPLETE INSTALLATION

Include in both options : remove existing engines, construct new engine beds, redo exhaust system (does not include

OPTION #1	Days	Hours	Rate	Amount
Two new Volvo Penta 04-180 inboard engines				\$62,447.93
Labor- Mechanical Labor, Main Mechanic	28	160	75.00	12,000.00
Labor - Mechanical Labor, Mechanic Helper	28	130	65.00	8,450.00
Supplies - Mechanics shop supplies				800.00
OPTION #1 TOTAL				\$83,697.93

Additional Estimates	Days	Hours	Rate	Amount
# 17 - Companion Ways, 2 new sets, parts and labor			1,500.00	3,000.00
# 18 - Stem and Hawser Timber	3	50	65.00	3,250.00
Main Mast, (fill checks and collar)	3	28	65.00	1,850.00
# 30, Davits - per set	4	36	65.00	2,340.00
# 34, New batteries (for 12 volts) venting?				1,200.00
Additional Estimates - Estimated subtotal				\$11,640.00

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32 - Estimate - New Fire Pump System

145 gallons per minute - Single Phase 220 volt)	Amount
Pump system	4,511.43
Thru hull fittings, deck access hardware, nozzles + hoses, and hose rack	3,800.00
electrical wiring and switches	1,800.00
Labor - complete installation and testing of system	6,000.00

New Fire Pump System - Estimated Total \$16,111.43

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#'s 12,13,14, 23, 24,Hull, Top Side & thru Holes- Est Labor	Days	Hours	Rate	Amount
pressure wash (included in haul out charges)				
scraping	2	42	65.00	2,730.00
sandblasting	2	28	65.00	1,820.00
thru holes removal and installation, packing etc.	4	60	65.00	3,900.00
sanding hull	2	20	65.00	1,300.00
sanding top side	6	80	65.00	5,200.00
reefing and caulking, hull, thru holes, sides	8	112	65.00	7,280.00
#12-re-planking hull and sides, (must view damage to re-estimate)				25,000.00
Reconditioning hardware, install zincs	1	14	65.00	910.00
prime and paint hull and top side, and hardware	2.5	35	65.00	2,275.00

Estimated subtotal \$50,415.00

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Hull, Top Side & thru Holes- Estimated Materials	Quantity	Price	Type	Amount
sandblast material for hull and topside	40	35.00	pots	1,400.00
zincs				1,000.00
Two part epoxy primer w/ hardener, one heavy, one light coat	25	98.75	gall	2,468.75
reducer 54	5	32.00	gall	160.00
Mineral sprits	5	28.50	gall	142.50
bottom ablative antifouling paint, two coats	30	150.00	gall	4,500.00
sandpaper, different types of grit			units	250.00
New thru hole fittings, if needed				5,000.00
top side primer Quality Material	8	75.00	gall	600.00
Reducer thinner top side	1	28.00	gall	28.00
Top side final coat of finish Z spray white	8	110.00	gall	880.00
painting and shop supplies				400.00

Estimated subtotal 16,829.25

Hull, Top Side & thru Holes- Estimated Total \$67,244.25

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Totals	
Main Deck Labor & Materials - Estimated Total	120,014.32
Engine Room Labor & Materials - Estimated Total	15,125.00
Additional Estimates - Estimated subtotal	11,640.00
New Fire Pump System - Estimated Total	16,111.43
Hull, Top Side & thru Holes - Estimated Total	67,244.25

Estimate Total for Above Stated Repairs Only 230,135.00

Estimate Total for Above Stated Repairs Only Does Not Include Florida State Sales Tax 7%

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Remaining items on list which cannot be estimated at this time, without being viewed first hand in existing condition of items, and discuss at that time how and what needs to be completed. In some cases the lumber needs to be

Masts, rigging, deck structures, sails, etc subtotal

# 1, Unstep masts	5,000.00
# 2, New rigging	10,000.00
# 3, New main and fore masts	10,000.00
# 4, Unstep masts / installing the rigging	5,000.00
# 5, Repair bowsprit	10,000.00
# 9, Repair deteriorated sections of clamp and shelf	25,000.00
# 10, Replace bulwarks	25,000.00
# 11, Rail Caps	10,000.00
# 12, Topside Planking, see above in Hull and top side section	18,000.00
# 15, Rebuild Cook shack	15,000.00
# 16, Rebuild companion way to engine room	10,000.00
# 17, Rebuild companion way to skylight	10,000.00
# 19, Chain Plates, (need to view once planks removed)	5,000.00
# 20, Rebuild interior	10,000.00
# 21, Rebuild aft cabin	5,000.00
# 22, Finish aft cabin trunk, install port lights	3,500.00
# 23, Paint topsides, bulwarks and superstructures	5,000.00
# 25, Paint /varnish interior (renewing or remove existing coats?)	5,000.00
# 27, Electrical systems repair and maintenance as required,	5,000.00
# 28, Recondition propellers, (depends if reconditioning is	1,000.00
# 29, Sails, must be your design, willing to use your sail maker,	30,000.00
# 30, Replace sound system	1,000.00
# 31, Deck boxes, we can purchase for you, need sizes	10,000.00
# 33, Repair refrigeration	2,000.00
# 35, Plumbing repair as needed , we suggested repairs in first notice, priced below, new bilge pump	30,000.00
# 36, Transom	25,000.00

Masts, rigging, deck structures, sails, etc subtotal \$290,500.00

REMARKS

Additional items which may be charged: oil disposal fees, debris disposal fee, sandblast equipment fee, electric supply to vessel if needed, battery disposal fees (see MMS rate sheet)

Any engine parts are not included in this section of the estimate

Please note where stated TBD

Transport of vessel to and from our premises is sole responsibility of ownership, MMS LLC has no responsibility

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Restoration and Repairs Totals Section

Costs Eligible for Reimbursement by State Grant

Work to be Done by Boatyard

Estimate Total for Above Stated Repairs Only	\$230,135.00
Masts, rigging, deck structures, sails, etc subtotal	\$290,500.00
New engines option #1	\$83,697.93
15% Contingency	<u>\$90,649.94</u>
Total Work to be Done by Boatyard	\$694,982.87

Work to be Done by Crew

Captain/On-site Owner's Representative and Crew	\$50,000.00
10% Contingency	<u>\$5,000.00</u>
Total Work to be Done by Crew	\$55,000.00

Total Costs Eligible for Reimbursement by State Grant \$749,982.87

Costs NOT Eligible for Reimbursement by State Grant

Transportation and preparatory work	\$10,000.00
Transportation Insurance	\$0.00
Out of Water Insurance 30 days	\$0.00
In Water Insurance 8 months	<u>\$0.00</u>
Total Costs NOT Eligible for Reimbursement by State Grant	\$0.00

Please be advised that this is only an estimate. Due to the nature of the unforeseen with old wooden vessels, for time and materials, it is very difficult to establish a correct estimate. Thus, available funds for the unforeseen should be readily available. The same in regards to the time delays, weather permitting, we believe that it will take approximately eight months to complete the estimated given repairs.

Marpro Marine Services can perform all your repair needs for the "Western Union", at our facilities.

Please be advised that due to Hurricane season, we strongly advise that the vessel carry insurance and transport insurance. All vessel personal on the boat yard premises during repairs must show proof of insurance liability to be on or around vessel during repairs.

Due to the age and condition of the vessel, there are no warranties implied or expressed for the above stated repairs by Marpro Marine Services LLC.

Sincerely,

Capt. George Georgiou

Tel# 727-432-9387

Sincerely,

Anestis Agapiadis (Manager)

Marpro Marine Services LLC

1082 Island Ave, Tarpon Springs, FL34689

Tel# 727-940-5881

Fax# 727-940-5877

Email: a.agapiadis@marpro-intl.com

Attachment E: Updated Florida Master Site File Form (all site-specific projects): For assistance in meeting this requirement, contact the Florida Master Site File at 850.245.6440, or visit the Florida Master Site File website at: <http://dos.myflorida.com/historical/preservation/master-site-file/>.

The updated form for MO01979 is attached.

☐ Original
☒ Update



HISTORICAL STRUCTURE FORM

FLORIDA MASTER SITE FILE

Version 4.0 1/07

Site #8 **MO01979**
 Field Date 6-29-2015
 Form Date 6-29-2015
 Recorder # _____

Shaded Fields represent the minimum acceptable level of documentation.
 Consult the *Guide to Historical Structure Forms* for detailed instructions.

Site Name(s) (address if none) Schooner Western Union Multiple Listing (DHR only) _____
 Survey Project Name Schooner Western Union Restoration Survey # (DHR only) _____
 National Register Category (please check one) ☒ building ☐ structure ☐ district ☐ site ☐ object
 Ownership: ☐ private-profit ☒ private-nonprofit ☐ private-individual ☐ private-nonspecific ☐ city ☐ county ☐ state ☐ federal ☐ Native American ☐ foreign ☐ unknown

LOCATION & MAPPING

Street Number 201 Direction _____ Street Name William Street Type Street Suffix Direction _____
 Address: _____
 Cross Streets (nearest / between) Key West Bight
 USGS 7.5 Map Name _____ USGS Date _____ Plat or Other Map _____
 City / Town (within 3 miles) Key West In City Limits? ☒ yes ☐ no ☐ unknown County Monroe
 Township 67S Range 25E Section _____ ¼ section: ☐ NW ☐ SW ☐ SE ☐ NE Irregular-name: _____
 Tax Parcel # _____ Landgrant _____
 Subdivision Name _____ Block _____ Lot _____
 UTM Coordinates: Zone ☐ 16 ☐ 17 Easting ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ Northing ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐
 Other Coordinates: X: _____ Y: _____ Coordinate System & Datum _____
 Name of Public Tract (e.g., park) _____

HISTORY

Construction Year: 1939 ☐ approximately ☐ year listed or earlier ☐ year listed or later
 Original Use Sailing vessel/Ship/Boat From (year): 1939 To (year): 1973
 Current Use Sailing vessel/Ship/Boat From (year): 1973 To (year): 2015
 Other Use _____ From (year): _____ To (year): _____
 Moves: ☐ yes ☒ no ☐ unknown Date: _____ Original address Mallory Pier, Key West, FL
 Alterations: ☐ yes ☒ no ☐ unknown Date: _____ Nature _____
 Additions: ☐ yes ☒ no ☐ unknown Date: _____ Nature _____
 Architect (last name first): _____ Builder (last name first): Arch, Heber Elroy
 Ownership History (especially original owner, dates, profession, etc.) Thompson Enterprises (leased to Western Union) 1939-1974,
Historic Tours of America 1997-2007, Schooner Western Union Preservation Society 2007-Presen
 Is the Resource Affected by a Local Preservation Ordinance? ☐ yes ☒ no ☐ unknown Describe _____

DESCRIPTION

Style Not applicable Exterior Plan Not applicable Number of Stories _____
 Exterior Fabric(s) 1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____
 Roof Type(s) 1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____
 Roof Material(s) 1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____
 Roof secondary strucs. (dormers etc.) 1. _____ 2. _____
 Windows (types, materials, etc.) _____

Distinguishing Architectural Features (exterior or interior ornaments) _____

Ancillary Features / Outbuildings (record outbuildings, major landscape features; use continuation sheet if needed.) _____

DHR USE ONLY		OFFICIAL EVALUATION		DHR USE ONLY	
NR List Date	SHPO – Appears to meet criteria for NR listing: <input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no <input type="checkbox"/> insufficient info	Date	_____	Init.	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Owner Objection	KEEPER – Determined eligible: <input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no	Date	_____		
	NR Criteria for Evaluation: <input type="checkbox"/> a <input type="checkbox"/> b <input type="checkbox"/> c <input type="checkbox"/> d (see <i>National Register Bulletin 15</i> , p. 2)				

DESCRIPTION (continued)

Chimney: No. ____ Chimney Material(s): 1. _____ 2. _____
 Structural System(s): 1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____
 Foundation Type(s): 1. _____ 2. _____
 Foundation Material(s): 1. _____ 2. _____
 Main Entrance (stylistic details) _____

Porch Descriptions (types, locations, roof types, etc.) _____

Condition (overall resource condition): ☐excellent ☐good ☒fair ☐deteriorated ☐ruinous

Narrative Description of Resource The 130-foot wooden vessel WESTERN UNION was launched at Key West, Florida, on April 7, 1939. The WESTERN UNION typifies and is a prime example, of the traditional American coasting schooner, a type and form prevalent in U.S. shipbuilding from 1800-1939.

Archaeological Remains _____ ☐Check if Archaeological Form Completed

RESEARCH METHODS (check all that apply)

☒FMSF record search (sites/surveys) ☐library research ☐building permits ☐Sanborn maps
☐FL State Archives/photo collection ☐city directory ☐occupant/owner interview ☐plat maps
☐property appraiser / tax records ☐newspaper files ☐neighbor interview ☐Public Lands Survey (DEP)
☐cultural resource survey (CRAS) ☐historic photos ☐interior inspection ☐HABS/HAER record search
☐other methods (describe) _____

Bibliographic References (give FMSF manuscript # if relevant, use continuation sheet if needed) _____

OPINION OF RESOURCE SIGNIFICANCE

Appears to meet the criteria for National Register listing individually?

☒yes ☐no ☐insufficient information

Appears to meet the criteria for National Register listing as part of a district?

☐yes ☐no ☐insufficient information

Explanation of Evaluation (required, whether significant or not; use separate sheet if needed) The Schooner Western Union was listed in the National Register in 1984.

Area(s) of Historical Significance (see *National Register Bulletin 15*, p. 8 for categories: e.g. "architecture", "ethnic heritage", "community planning & development", etc.)

1. Maritime history 3. Communications 5. Transportation
 2. Commerce 4. Cuban heritage 6. Conservation

DOCUMENTATION

Accessible Documentation Not Filed with the Site File - including field notes, analysis notes, photos, plans and other important documents

1) Document type _____ Maintaining organization _____
 Document description _____ File or accession #'s _____
 2) Document type _____ Maintaining organization _____
 Document description _____ File or accession #'s _____

RECORDER INFORMATION

Recorder Name John Dolan-Heitlinger Affiliation Schooner Western Union Preservation Society

Recorder Contact Information 21 Azalea Drive, Key West, FL 33040, (305) 292-1208, john@dolan-heitlinger.com
 (address / phone / fax / e-mail)

Required Attachments

① USGS 7.5' MAP WITH STRUCTURE LOCATION PINPOINTED IN RED

② LARGE SCALE STREET, PLAT OR PARCEL MAP (available from most property appraiser web sites)

③ PHOTO OF MAIN FACADE, ARCHIVAL B&W PRINT OR DIGITAL IMAGE FILE

If submitting an image file, it must be included on disk or CD AND in hard copy format (plain paper is acceptable).
 Digital image must be at least 1600 x 1200 pixels, 24-bit color, jpeg or tiff.

SWUPS app Attachment J Documentation of Threat.docx

Attachment J: Documentation of Threat: Applicants should use this attachment to document immediate threats to the property.

The following information from our agent, Ronald S. Taylor, CPCU, CRM, CIC, Executive Vice President - Commercial Lines, HUB International Florida summarizes our current and forecast insurance coverages

We have a Marine General Liability policy renewing 8/1/15 that is roughly \$3,100 annually. We would recommend that be renewed. We do not anticipate significant premium changes on this.

We have a port risk only policy covering the hull and P&I with 1 crew that expires 10/31/15. This premium is \$10,415 annually. We would anticipate this renewing on 10/31 without significant changes in premium.

Come January 2016 I would anticipate the following premium changes: \$1,000 trip coverage to transport the vessel to Tarpon Springs. \$26,000 builders risk coverage (annual) while the vessel is being restored. This would be pro-rata to the period of restoration. If eight months then I would estimate about \$17,500. The current port risk policy would be cancelled the date the builders risk policy is put in force.

SWUPS app Attachment K Local Protection.docx

Attachment K: Local Protection: Provide copies any documents that provide local protection of the project site, if any. This may include: local protection ordinances; preservation or conservation agreements; protective or restrictive covenants; or maintenance agreements.

Documents:

1. The City of Key West, Caroline Street Corridor and Bahama Village Community Redevelopment Agency. (CKW/CRA) Approved Resolution number: 15-218 which included restrictive covenants



THE CITY OF KEY WEST

Post Office Box 1409 Key West, FL 33041-1409 (305) 809-3700

June 22, 2015

William M. Barry
President & Chair Emeritus
And
John Dolan-Heitlinger
Treasurer

Schooner Western Union Preservation Society & Museum
P.O. Box 4379
Key West, FL 33041

RE: City of Key West \$250,000 funding Letter of Commitment for the preservation of the
Schooner Western Union

Dear Mr. Barry and Mr. Dolan-Heitlinger:

This is to inform you and the Schooner Western Union Preservation Society & Museum (SWUPS) board of directors that Resolution No. 15-218 was passed and adopted by the City of Key West, Caroline Street Corridor and Bahama Village Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA), authorizing a funding "Letter of Commitment" from the City of Key West in the amount of up to \$250,000.00 in support of the preservation of the Schooner Western Union, contingent upon the award of a State of Florida Historic Preservation Grant in the amount up to \$500,000.00 (2 : 1 ratio of State funding to local funding) and the execution of an agreement to ensure that the Schooner Western Union will remain at the Key West Historic Seaport.

A certified copy of Resolution No. 15-218 as recorded in the City Clerk's office is attached.

Sincerely,

James K. Scholl
City Manager

A RESOLUTION OF THE CAROLINE STREET CORRIDOR AND BAHAMA VILLAGE COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY (CRA), AUTHORIZING A FUNDING "LETTER OF COMMITMENT" FROM THE CITY OF KEY WEST IN THE AMOUNT OF UP TO \$250,000.00 IN SUPPORT OF PRESERVATION OF THE SCHOONER WESTERN UNION, CONTINGENT UPON THE AWARD/RECEIPT OF MATCHING FUNDS (2:1 RATIO OF STATE FUNDING TO LOCAL FUNDING) FROM THE STATE OF FLORIDA HISTORIC PRESERVATION GRANT PROGRAM; PROVIDED THAT THE LETTER OF COMMITMENT IS ALSO CONTINGENT UPON THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT TO ENSURE THAT THE SCHOONER WESTERN UNION WILL REMAIN AT THE KEY WEST HISTORIC SEAPORT; AUTHORIZING NECESSARY BUDGET TRANSFERS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, the Schooner Western Union was submitted to the National Register of Historic Places on May 16, 1984; and

WHEREAS, in Resolution No. 97-301, the City of Key West proclaimed the Schooner Western Union the Official Flagship of the City of Key West, and in the Florida State House Rotunda it is listed as the State Flagship of Florida; and

WHEREAS, the Schooner Western Union remains an integral piece of the history of Key West and the Historic Seaport at Key West Bight; and

WHEREAS, the Schooner Western Union requires substantial restoration and upgrades to remain seaworthy, and continue its role as a unique example of living history to educate residents

and visitors about the significant role of Key West, and the State of Florida, within maritime history; and

WHEREAS, the Schooner Western Union Preservation Society (SWUPS), a 501(c)3 non-profit organization, is charged with preserving the Schooner Western Union, and has identified a State Historic Preservation grant funding program, which requires a funding match of up to \$250,000.00, towards a restoration project with a total value of up to \$750,000.00; and

WHEREAS, at its meeting of June 10, 2015, the Key West Bight Management District Board considered SWUPS request for a funding Letter of Commitment from the City, in support of their grant application; and

WHEREAS, a Letter of Commitment would enable SWUPS to meet the grant deadline of June 30, 2015 and help to preserve the Schooner Western Union for generations to come; and

WHEREAS, there are sufficient funds in the Key West Bight unrestricted reserves to account for this cost.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CAROLINE STREET CORRIDOR AND BAHAMA VILLAGE COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1: That a Letter of Commitment, for the amount of up to \$250,000.00, to the Schooner Western Union Preservation Society and Museum is hereby authorized.

Section 2: That any financial commitment set forth in the Letter of Commitment authorized herein on behalf of the Key West Historic Seaport/City of Key West, is contingent upon the award of a State of Florida Historic Preservation Grant for restoration of the Schooner Western Union. City/CRA funds will be used specifically to match the State grant funds in a 50% ratio, up to a total of \$250,000.00.

Section 3: That SWUPS shall agree to execute an agreement to guarantee that the vessel will remain at the Key West Historic Seaport.

Section 4: That no funds shall be expended as a result of this Letter of Commitment without further Resolution of the City Commission.

Section 5: That necessary budget transfers are authorized consistent with this resolution.

Section 6: That the City Manager is authorized to execute a Letter of Commitment for the amount of up to \$250,000.00, as required for grant application purposes for the State of Florida Historic Preservation Grant documents, upon the advice and consent of the City Attorney.


Section 7: That this Resolution shall go into effect immediately upon its passage and adoption and authentication by the signature of the presiding officer and the Clerk of the Agency.

Passed and adopted by the Caroline Street Corridor and Bahama Village Community Redevelopment Agency at a meeting held this 16 day of June, 2015.

Authenticated by the presiding officer and Clerk of the Agency on June 17, 2015.

Filed with the Clerk June 17, 2015.

Chairman Craig Cates	<u>Yes</u>
Vice Chair Mark Rossi	<u>No</u>
Commissioner Teri Johnston	<u>Yes</u>
Commissioner Clayton Lopez	<u>Yes</u>
Commissioner Billy Wardlow	<u>Yes</u>
Commissioner Jimmy Weekley	<u>Yes</u>
Commissioner Tony Yaniz	<u>No</u>


CRAIG CATES, CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:


CHERYL SMITH, CITY CLERK



STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF MONROE
CITY OF KEY WEST

This copy is a true copy of the original on file in this office. Witness my hand and official seal this 22nd day of June, 2015

Deputy City Clerk

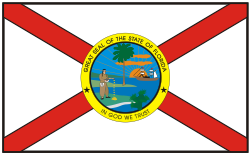
By Luisa P. Harrison

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Attachment L: Optional Attachments:

Applicants may use this attachment to add materials not specifically requested by the Division of Historical Resources that support the application.

1. Bios of Schooner Western Union Preservation Society Board Members
2. Monroe County Funding Support for the Schooner Western Union Restoration
3. Schooner Western Union important dates and events



Schooner Western Union

PRESERVATION SOCIETY & MARITIME MUSEUM



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William M. Barry, Chairman is a 34-year publisher of daily newspapers in FL, CO, CA, PA and retired Publisher/CEO of the Key West Citizen & Florida Keys.com. He was Sr. Vice President of International Travel magazines in Florida, Caribbean, Latin America and Europe. He was USA TODAY Western Region President and Corporate Vice President. Graduate, American Press Institute, Washington DC. A Key West wrecker's great grandson, he joined the SWUPS board in 2008.

Captain Frank Holden, Secretary is a 35-year captain of commercial vessels and yachts, and has served on a variety of vessels including large yachts. He holds a Coast Guard 500 ton master license. A resident of Key West since 1971 he is Past President and a member of the Propeller Club (Port of Key West), and Admiral in the Conch Republic Navy. He is a founding member of SWUPS board in 2007.

John Dolan-Heitlinger, Treasurer is a consultant and adjunct professor whose practice is in business and entrepreneurship. He is the co-author of *Finance Without Fear: A Guide to Creating and Managing a Profitable Business* published in 2011. He retired as a Commander in the Coast Guard Reserve. He has an MBA from Cornell University's Johnson School and a BA in History and Economics from SUNY Potsdam. He served as President of the KW Chamber of Commerce twice. He joined the SWUPS board in 2011.

Richard Manley, Project Management is the co-owner and President of Manley deBoer Lumber, the Marquesa Hotel & Restaurant and several other business properties in Key West. He is a graduate of Ohio State University with a BA in Agriculture. He has been a General Contractor in Key West for 37 years. He joined the SWUPS board in 2009.

Cori Convertito, Historian is the Curator at the Key West Art & Historical Society, one of Key West's oldest non-profit institutions. She is the author of the book *The Health of the British Navy in the West Indies, 1770-1830* due for publication in 2016. She is an adjunct professor of history and humanities at Florida Keys Community College. She received her MA in Maritime History from the University of Greenwich, London and her PhD in Maritime History from the University of Exeter, UK. She joined the SWUPS board in 2013.

Donald E. Yates, Attorney Receiving his Juris Doctorate from Mercer University he has been a practicing attorney for 30 years, 28 in Key West, FL and is an Arbitrator, Mediator and Magistrate. He is a graduate of Florida State University with a major in Geography and minor in Economics. A lifelong sailor in multiple oceans on varied sailing vessels. He is a member and director of several nonprofits. He joined the SWUPS Board in 2015.

Guy deBoer, Past-President & Chair is a 43 year resident of Key West and owner & Publisher of Key West KONK Life & Marathon Mile Marker Newspapers. In 2007 he worked to acquire the *Western Union* then owned & operated by the for profit company Historic Tours of America. Installed as the first Chairman of SWUPS; he develop a successful board and initial fund raising efforts. He is a world class yacht sailing race Captain; he founded the SWUPS board in 2007.

John Jones, City Relations is the retired Assistant City Manager of Key West where he helped the city acquire the historic Key West Bight. He is a graduate of Auburn University with a degree in Electrical Engineering and Industrial Management. He owned an international waste water engineering company, Jones Environmental. He served in the United States Navy and is a Korean War Veteran. He joined the SWUPS board in 2010.

Edwin O. Swift, At-Large

Is the President of Historic Tours of America, Inc., a company that is the Nation's Storyteller. A former County Commissioner in Monroe County, he has served as president of the Key West Chamber of Commerce and on many State of Florida boards and organizations. He is a founding member of the SWUPS board in 2007.

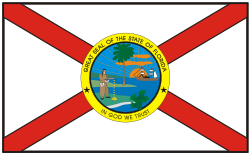
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Of the total funds required to restore the
schooner *Western Union*
74% have been raised from Monroe County

The Key West Commission at its' June 16, 2015 meeting passed Resolution No. 15-218 providing a **\$250,000.00** *Letter of Funding Commitment* to support the preservation of the *Official Flagship of the State of Florida and City of Key West, the schooner Western Union.*

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The *Schooner Western Union Preservation Society* (SWUPS) is submitting an application on June 30, 2015 to the FL DOS, Historic Preservation Grant Program. The CKW \$250,000 funding commitment enables SWUPS to apply for the FL DOS (2 to 1) grant match.

Among the criteria to be awarded a Historic Preservation Grant is demonstrating local community support of the applicant's proposed project.

To that extent, SWUPS can share 74% of the almost \$2 million of funds required to restore *Official Flagship of the State of Florida & City of Key West* were raised from Monroe County:

\$405,000	Monroe County TDC
\$300,000	Historic FL Keys Foundation
\$240,000	KW/FL Keys individual & business donations of \$1 to \$26k, (SWUPS tax declared)
\$227,000	KW headquartered HTA, Inc. payment of local FSB loan made to SWUPS
\$1,172,000	Total Phase 1: Total funds raised in Monroe County.
\$250,000	CKW Grant Match Commitment to complete Phase 2 (final phase of restoration)
\$1,422,000	Total Phase 1 & 2 funds raised in Monroe County to restore SWU
\$500,000	Grant <i>application</i> being submitted to FL DOS Historic Preservation Grant Program
\$1,922,000	Total SWU funds to restore the SWU

The Key West & Florida Keys community have shown a strong financial commitment to preserve its' maritime heritage by raising 74% of the funds required to restore the *State of Florida & City of Key West Flagship, the schooner Western Union.*

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Schooner Western Union important dates and events:

1. Launched in April 1939, the 76-yr. old schooner was the last of the iconic coasting schooners built and launched in Key West.
2. The schooner maintained the Western Union Telegraph Company undersea telephone and telegraph cables that linked Florida's coastal cities to the Caribbean island nations', Central & South America and the Gulf states. In doing so, the schooner greatly contributed to Florida's economic growth.
3. In 2012, the Florida House and Senate voted unanimously to designate the historic schooner the official *Flagship of the State of Florida*.
4. The Governor signed the legislation and on July 1, 2012 the schooner *Western Union* became a state treasure.
5. The schooner is now listed high on the state Capitol rotunda wall as the State Flagship.
6. The City of Key West passed a resolution in 1997 naming the schooner *Western Union* the Flagship of the City.
7. In 1984, the U.S. Department of Interior placed the schooner on the "*National Register of Historic Places*".
8. Restoration work is performed and inspected to meet the Department of Interior, Historic Renovation Standards
9. All work performed will be inspected and approved by the United States Coast Guard
10. Among the numerous criteria to have a grant approved is the support of the community of the project. Attached is a (1-pg.) letter detailing how the Monroe County community raised through county, city, non-profit and private donations 74% of the nearly \$2 million required to restore the historic State and City Flagship.
11. Approval of the FL DOS \$500,000 grant match will enable completion of the two-part 8-yr. (\$2 million) restoration project to save this state treasurer and maritime legacy for future generations to enjoy.
12. The retained (10%) reserve (\$100,000 annually) will fund a required USCG haul-out inspection and on-going maintenance of the vessel every 2-yr. so to avoid deferred maintenance.
13. The \$2 million, 8-yr. major restoration project underway is a 70-80 yr. total over haul on a 130' wooden vessel.
14. There is a significant economic benefit to the community: When operating the schooner generates an income of \$1 million a year, of which, 90% of those revenues are returned to the Key West community in the form of local payroll, commissions and local purchased supplies and hardware.

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