

Re Steamplant:

I oppose the proposal for a powerboat museum in the old steamplant because powerboats aren't particularly relevant to Key West. I can't imagine many people bothering to visit such a museum.

Instead, I propose a Black History Museum in the steamplant. Black Bahamians, black Cubans, and black slaves helped to build Key West. Most of them are lost to history.

We don't know their names.

We don't know their individual histories.

We don't even know where most of them are buried.

But we can tell their stories. We can honor and celebrate their contributions to our island city.

A powerboat museum has little meaning to Key West. But a museum dedicated to our black citizens, an entire neglected part of our population, their ancestors, and their history, most definitely has a place here.

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To: Cheri Smith,
City Clerk

From: Sue Huffaker
649 William St, Key West

is unable to come to the City Commission meeting on Tuesday,
August 7.

Please read these into the record at the appropriate
time! Many thanks!

Sue