

Data Collection Form

Part B : Quantitative Scoring Model
(To be completed for projects requesting more
than \$90,000)

Okaloosa RESTORE Advisory Committee

Approved by the Okaloosa RESTORE Advisory Committee: December 4, 2014
Okaloosa County, Florida

Expenditures										
	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10
Land Acquisition										
Total Estimated Costs of Acquiring Land	\$ 4,600,000.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Construction										
Total Estimated Construction Costs	\$ 1,250,000.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Equipment										
Total Estimated Equipment Purchases	\$ 250,000.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Long-term Operational Expenses										
Labor Costs	\$ 30,200.00	\$ 30,800.00	\$ 31,400.00	\$ 32,000.00	\$ 32,700.00	\$ 33,300.00	\$ 34,000.00	\$ 34,700.00	\$ 35,400.00	\$ 36,100.00
Utility Costs	\$ 3,570.00	\$ 3,606.00	\$ 3,642.00	\$ 3,679.00	\$ 3,715.00	\$ 3,752.00	\$ 3,790.00	\$ 3,828.00	\$ 3,866.00	\$ 3,904.00
Equipment Maintenance	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,100.00	\$ 5,202.00	\$ 5,306.00	\$ 5,412.00	\$ 5,520.00	\$ 5,630.00	\$ 5,743.00	\$ 5,858.00	\$ 5,974.00
Other Maintenance Costs	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Debt Service	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
License Costs	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Other Operational Costs (Please Specify type)	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Other Operational Costs (Please Specify type)	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
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									Total Expenditures	
									\$ 6,476,719.00	

B.1.1 "Expenditures" Table

B.1.2 Provide a description of the property to be purchased. (250 words max)

The City purchased the property in 2010 through the Trust for Public Land and the Florida Communities Trust Grant Program.

B.1.3 Provide a justification for construction costs. (250 words max)

Currently, the property topography does not provide a view corridor of the harbor from US 98 or a comfortable ADA-accessible transition to the water and the boardwalk. Significant grading needs to be performed, which requires lowering of a substantial potable waterline. Installation of a meandering pathway from Harbor Blvd. to the lower plaza area will provide a consistent, ADA-accessible entry to the boardwalk, flanked by pocket parks and play areas, with a rising pathway to a parapet area that provides a sweeping view of the harbor and waterfront. The parapet area can also serve as a stage for special events, such as the Destin Seafood Festival. The area under the parapet will provide a utility pump room and storage, public bathrooms and a resource center that would be used by the Destin Fishing Museum for monthly educational programs, and could be used by other groups such as Destin Forward and the TDD. Appropriate conduit and piping would be installed from the utility pump room to a specified water feature area so that a future interactive water feature could be installed with minimal disruption of the existing park. Play equipment, benches, lighting, landscaping and shade structures will be strategically placed to complete a festive park and plaza atmosphere.

B.1.4 Describe equipment over \$5,000 per item to be purchased (Itemize). (250 words max)

The initial construction cost includes the cost of all fixtures and equipment, including a duplex grinder sewer pump station, bathrooms, educational and historical displays and signage, benches, kayak launch, and other initially installed amenities. Future equipment and construction anticipates the timing and estimated cost of purchasing and installing controls, tank, pump and associated equipment for an interactive water feature.

B.1.5 Describe and justify long-term operational expenses. (250 words max)

Electric, water and sewer utility budgets will need to be increased to accommodate the costs for lighting, bathrooms and amenities, and may need to be increased after installation of an interactive water feature. Regular landscape maintenance, waste disposal and facilities maintenance will also require marginal increases in appropriate budget levels. These costs will be included in the City of Destin's Recreation Department's O & M budget.

B.1.6 Describe jobs created for the short term and long term along with the salary scales. (250 words max)

Short term job creation during the construction phase will total approximately \$750,000 in labor for approximately 15 FTE's.

Long term ongoing maintenance of the park and facilities will require an increase in the City's maintenance personnel to one additional FTE, or for contract employees for outsourced maintenance activities and cleaning. Most significant will be long-term jobs created in businesses along the harbor, as public access is increased through the gateway park.

Revenues

Estimated Annual Revenue (by Source)	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10
Total Revenue from RESTORE Grant	\$	\$ 1,250,000.00	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Total Revenue from City Government	\$ 2,716,212.50	\$	\$ 125,000.00	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Total Revenue from County Government	\$	\$	\$ 125,000.00	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Total Revenue from State Government	\$ 2,007,877.50	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Total Sales Revenue (user fees, lease fees, product revenue, etc.)	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Other Private Contributions (donations, private grants, etc.)	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Loan	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Other Revenue (please specify)	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
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Total Revenues*	\$ 4,726,090.00	\$ 1,250,000.00	\$ 250,000.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Total Revenue										\$ 6,226,090.00

B.2.1 "Revenues" Table

B.2.2 Describe the type and nature of the sales revenues generated. (250 words max)

The Captain Royal Melvin Heritage Park and Plaza will be a free gateway for the public to more easily see and access Destin's historic harbor. Its purpose is to highlight and draw access to charter fishing opportunities and many other recreational services and seafood restaurants and amenities, thereby increasing their sales revenues and job creation as well as promote recreational fishing and consumption of seafood harvested from the Gulf.

B.2.3 Describe and justify a local government contribution. (250 words max)

The City of Destin has to date invested \$2,592,122.50 of its own bond and general revenue dollars into the acquisition of the property and an additional \$126,090 for engineering and design of the park. Long-term operations and maintenance costs will be included in the City of Destin's Parks and Recreation Department's annual budget.

B.2.3.1 If local government approval of long-term funding has been secured, attach documentation to the application indicating such approval.

B.2.4 Describe the process for securing donations. (250 words max)

From the initial concept for this park, the City of Destin has coordinated with the Destin Fishing Museum to donate rotating exhibits and educational classes at the park.

B.2.4.1 If donor pledges have been secured, attach documentation.

B.2.5 Describe the nature of the Loan that you are seeking and attach any documentation that you have that demonstrates your capacity to obtain the loan. (250 words max)

N/A

GENERAL FACTORS

B.3. General Factor #1: Implementation Readiness - Permitting

B.3.1 Does your project require permitting? Select one of the following:

- Yes, permitting NOT complete (0 points)
- Yes, ALL permitting complete (5 points)
- No permitting required (skip to **B.3.2**) (5 points)

B.3.1.1 What type of permit is required?

- Construction
- Right-of-Way
- Easement
- Business
- Development Order
- Other. Describe: _____

B.3.1.2 When do you expect to have all required permits?

- Less than 3 months (3 points)
- 3 – 6 months (2 points)
- 6 – 9 months (1 points)
- More than 9 months (0 points)

B.3.1.3 Upload copy of permit if available.

B.3.2 Does your project require any coordination or governmental approvals?

- Yes, coordination or government approval NOT complete (0 points)
- Yes, ALL coordination or governmental approval complete (5 points)
- None required (skip to **B.3.3**) (5 points)

B.3.2.1 What type of coordination or approval is required?

- Inter-local agreement
- Land Use Change
- Re-zoning
- Other

B.3.2.2 When do you expect to have all coordination or approval complete?

- Less than 3 months (3 points)
- 3 – 6 months (2 points)
- 6 – 9 months (1 points)
- More than 9 months (0 points)

B.3.2.3 Upload copy of coordination or government approval if available.

B.3.3 Provide any additional relevant information on permits, coordination or approval. (120 words max)

B.3.4 Upload your supporting documentation

B.4 General Factor #2: Implementation Readiness – Design

B.4.1 Does your project require a design?

- Yes, design NOT complete (0 points)
- Yes, design IS complete (skip to **B.4.2**) (5 points)
- No design required (skip to **B.5**) (5 points)

B.4.1.1 What is the approximate percent of design completion?

- 0%
- 30%
- 65%
- 95% (nearly design complete)

B.4.1.2 When do you expect to have design complete?

- 0 – 4 months (3 points)
- 4 – 8 months (2 points)
- 8 – 12 months (1 points)
- More than 12 months (0 points)

B.4.2 Provide any additional information as it relates to design. (120 words max)

Attached are the 60% final design plans by Tetra Tech and a concept design for the Captain Royal Melvin Heritage Park and Plaza. Final design is currently at 65%.

B.4.3 Upload your supporting design documentation.

B.5 General Factor #3: Implementation Readiness: Land/Property Ownership

B.5.1 Does your project require the use of land/property?

- Yes (0 points)
 No (skip to the B.6) (10 points)

B.5.1.1 What is your (project advocate's) ownership status of the land/property?

- Owned by project advocate (skip to B.5.2) (10 points)
 Partially owned by project advocate or documented commitment from owner to
 sell (attach documentation in B.5.3) (5 points)
 Needs to be acquired (0 points)

B.5.1.2 When do you expect to have full ownership (or unrestricted use)?

- Less than 3 months (3 points)
 3 – 6 months (2 points)
 6 – 9 months (1 points)
 More than 9 months (0 points)

B.5.2 Provide any additional information as it relates to land/property ownership. (120 words max)

Deed attached as Part A 6.3.1.

B.5.3 Upload your supporting documentation.

B.6 General Factor #4: Project Feasibility –Proven Success

B.6.1 Has type of project proposed been implemented elsewhere?

- Yes
- No (skip to **B.6.1.4**)

B.6.1.1 What is the historic success of projects that share this approach/technology?

- Extremely common; significant success with projects that share approach/technology (10 points)
- Common; limited success with projects that share approach/technology (8 points)
- Uncommon; little documented success and limited projects that share similar approach/technology (4 points)
- Rare; no documented success and approach/technology is experimental or theoretical (0 points)

B.6.1.2 Explain where similar project was previously implemented and results. If multiple examples exist, use the most similar / relevant. (240 words max)

Gateways and boardwalks are highly successful and economically vital to their communities throughout the country along many waterfronts. Just a few successful examples are public gateways to riverwalks in San Antonio, Fort Lauderdale, and Savannah. Destin's gateway to the harbor will be particularly unique because it showcases Florida's largest charter fishing fleet.

B.6.1.3 Upload your supporting documentation.

Skip to B.7

B.6.1.4 To the best of your knowledge, why has this type of project never been implemented?

- Approach / technology is extremely new
- Conditions have not existed to implement this approach / technology
- Lack of funding
- Other. Describe: _____

B.6.1.5 Provide information that details why this “unproven” effort will now be successful.

(240 words max) (up to 4 points)

B.6.1.6 Upload your supporting documentation.

ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS

B.7 Environmental Factor #1: /Restore/Enhance/Protect Habitats

B.7.1 Which best describes the type of habitat impacted? (Select one)

- Marine
- Coastal
- Freshwater
- Estuarine
- Upland
- None
- Other: _____

B.7.2 What best describes the impact of your project on habitat? (Select one)

- Restore/Enhance (10 points)
- Protect/Conserve (8 points)
- Offset through Mitigation / None (0 points)
- Allowable/Permitted Impact (-10 points)

B.7.3 Identify geographical area impacted and provide information as it relates to restoring, enhancing or protecting habitat (240 words max).

The property is located in the Northern Highlands, also referred to as the Gulf Coastal Lowlands physiographic subdivision of the Coastal Lowlands. The project site is developed urban land and does not contain natural vegetative communities; however, the east-central area of the property does currently include several large oak trees and grassy open space. (See Exhibit C.) Upon the City's acquisition from the Trust for Public Land in January 2007, the property contained two structures built in the 1970's, a 2276 square feet restaurant and a 1908 square feet residence. The City of Destin has since demolished both structures. Additional improvements to the site, not yet removed, include 9,856 square feet of asphalt (poured in 1994) and 6,682 square feet of concrete (poured in 2003) for parking and driveways. Approximately 52% of the project site (.4 acres- all upland) will be restored with native vegetation.

B.7.4 Is your project intended to improve the habitat of a listed / managed / protected species?

- Yes (1 point) ; If yes, what type? _____
- No (0 points)

B.7.5 Is your project intended to reduce an invasive species within a habitat?

- Yes (1 point); If yes, what type? chinese tallow
- No (0 points)

B.7.6 Please provide any additional information on the above items (120 words max)

The entire project site has been disturbed by previous development activities and does not now contain habitat recognized as typically suitable for listed animal species; however, a designated Strategic Habitat Conservation Area is within 1,000 feet of the project site. To encourage wildlife to utilize this site, a significant portion of the driveway/parking improvement on the site will be removed and landscaped with native plants. Foot traffic within the native revegetation areas will be restricted by elevated vegetative buffers.

B.7.7 Is the project consistent with the goals of an adopted local, regional, state, or national comprehensive plan to restore, enhance or protect habitat?

- Yes (2 points)
- No, there is no plan associated with this project (0 points) (skip to **B.8**)

B.7.7.1 Identify the adopted local, regional, state, or national comprehensive plan(s): Destin's Forever Florida Management Plan; Destin Comprehensive Plan 2020

B.7.7.2 Provide any additional information on the above items to demonstrate compliance with the goals and objectives of the plan (120 words max)

Per the City of Destin's Land Development Code (LDC), and in keeping with the ambience and purpose of the park, landscaping will consist of the use of plant species native to northwest Florida. 0.4 acres of the project site will be planted with native upland plants. Drip irrigation for all shrubs and ground cover areas, where appropriate, will be used. The City's LDC requirements for tree size and ratio will also be enforced, as will the use of native plants mandated by the City's Land Development Code based on Destin's Comprehensive Plan, Chapter 5, Conservation Element. (Excerpts attached.)

Shade trees will be planted or preserved around the parking, playground, and picnic areas. As part of the final landscaping plans, consideration will be taken by the landscape architects to select plantings that will require minimum fertilizer, herbicide, and/or pesticide treatment. Furthermore, in Chapter 11, Coastal Management and Conservation, of Destin's Land Development Code, Section 11.09.05 outlines requirements for Material management that promote good housekeeping practices that are designed to significantly reduce and control stormwater runoff pollution into our waterways. Herbicides, pesticides, and fertilizers cannot be applied or stored within 25 feet of any connection to a waterway. Minimum amounts of these chemicals are to be used, and any usage must be applied by a state licensed applicator.

(A copy of the State Management Plan for the Royal Melvin Heritage Park and Plaza, a 17-page document, is available for review or upload to ORAC at the committee's request. Much of the plan is referred to throughout this application.)

B.7.7.3 Attach any supporting documentation

B.8 Environmental Factor #2: Replenish/Protect Living Coastal & Marine Resources

B.8.1 Which living coastal or marine resources are directly protected or restored by the project? (check all that apply)

- Finfish
- Shellfish
- Birds
- Mammals
- Reptiles
- Amphibians
- Coral
- Benthic Communities
- Other. Describe: _____
- None (Skip to **B.9**)

B.8.1.1 Describe injuries or threats to the resources identified and how your project addresses those injuries or threats. (120 words max)

By restoring a developed parcel into its more natural state with native vegetation, it is hoped birds and small mammals will return to the site.

B.8.2 Which best describes the impact of your project on living coastal or marine resources? (select one)

- Restore/Enhance(10 points)
- Protect/Conserve (8 points)
- Offset through Mitigation / None (0 points)
- Allowable/Permitted Impact (-10 points)

B.8.3 Provide information as it relates to restoring or protecting living coastal or marine resources (240 words max).

A key component to the development of this "gateway to the harbor" park is to focus on Destin's recreational fishing heritage and provide education on protecting our coastal environment. Not only will there be displays and educational signage throughout the park, a resource center will be constructed to house 12 classes per year conducted by the Destin Fishing Museum, and hosts of educational brochures on everything from sea turtles to seagrass and dune protection to stormwater runoff.

B.8.4 Does your project address one or more of the following? (check all that apply)

- Overfishing and by-catch; Increased resource stocks; or Improved fisheries assessment (e.g. marine resource data collection that includes fishery dependent or fishery independent data collection) (2 points)
- Public access or use of inshore, coastal or offshore marine resources; or Sustainable resource management of commercially & recreationally important activities (e.g. fishing, hunting, wildlife watching, etc.) (2 points)
- Removal of barriers to improve freshwater inflow and fish passage; or Improved sediment management; or Restoration of coastal wetlands; or Restoration of eroded shorelines; or River diversions; or other types of hydrologic restoration; or Natural ridge restoration (2 points)
- Implementation of living shoreline techniques; or restoration or protection of natural shorelines or wetlands (2 points)
- Recovery of threatened/endangered species; or management/removal of invasive and nuisance species (2 points)

B.8.5 Is the project consistent with the goals of an adopted local, regional, state, or national comprehensive plan to replenish or protect coastal or marine resources?

- Yes (2 points)
- No(0 points) (skip to B.9)

B.8.5.1 Identify the adopted local, regional, state, or national comprehensive plan(s): City of Destin Comprehensive Plan 2020

B.8.5.2 Provide any additional information on the above items to demonstrate compliance with the goals and objectives of the plan (120 words max)

Comp Plan Documentation Attached

B.8.5.3 Attach supporting documentation.

B.9 Environmental Factor #3: Restore/Improve/Protect Water Resources

B.9.1 Which best describes the impact of your project on water quality? (check only one)

- Improve (10 points)
- Re-use (8 points)
- Water quality monitoring (8 points)
- None/Permitted (0 points)

B.9.2 Does your project benefit one or more of the following? (check all that apply)

- Fresh water resource (including aquifers & re-use projects)
- Estuarine water resource
- Marine water resource

B.9.3 Identify the water source/body affected and provide information as it relates to improving water quality (240 words max)

The water bodies affected by the project are Destin Harbor and the Choctawhatchee Bay, which are classified as Class II waters of the State. Currently the property contains an asphalt paved parking area with very little stormwater runoff treatment prior to discharge into the Destin Harbor. The project, in its design and construction, will remove the asphalt parking area and will implement Best Management Practices for the treatment of stormwater runoff as required by the NFWFMD and the FDEP. Best Management Practices include the control of soil and wind erosion during construction, permanent stormwater runoff filtration for the entire area of the property and a long term maintenance program for the park to ensure the stormwater facilities are functioning properly at all time.

B.9.4 Does your project address one or more of the following? (Check all that apply)

- Implementation of watershed best management practices (2 points)
- Improved agricultural or silvicultural management practices (2 points)
- Improved stormwater management (2 points)
- Improved wastewater management (2 points)
- Long-term monitoring of water quality changes (2 points)
- Improve discharges to & withdrawals from critical systems (2 points)
- Reduce or treat nutrient or pollutant loading (2 points)
- Improve management of freshwater flows (2 points)

B.9.5 Is the project consistent with the goals of an adopted local, regional, state, or national comprehensive plan to restore, improve or protect water quality?

- Yes (2 points)
- No (0 points) (skip to B.10)

B.9.5.1 Identify the adopted local, regional, state, or national comprehensive plan(s): Destin Comprehensive Plan 2020, Northwest Florida Water Mgt. District, NPDES

B.9.5.2 Provide any additional information on the above items to demonstrate compliance with the goals and objectives of the plan (120 words max)

The City is committed to best management practices for stormwater facilities and will design the structures to comply with the City's Stormwater Master Plan, the NPDES, and to provide recreational open space. Installations of stormwater facilities are essential to ensure protection of surface water quality on and offsite. The stormwater treatment facility will improve surface water quality and reduce flooding problems, and ultimately help improve the quality of Destin Harbor. The design and location of the facility will be coordinated with the Northwest Florida Water Management District and the Department of Environmental Protection, and the design and location of the facility will be shown on the Master Site Plan. The City will design the stormwater facility with shallow slopes and no fences. The stormwater facility will be landscaped with native wetland vegetation to add to the park setting and provide additional wildlife habitat. . Comp Plan 2020 documentation attached.

B.9.5.3 Attach supporting documentation

B.10 Environmental Factor #4: Enhanced Environmental Resilience

B.10.1 Does your project build and sustain the ability to protect against short-term and long-term natural and man-made threats and injuries? (check all that apply)

- Long-term land use planning related to management and sustainability of coastal resources (2 points)
- Acquisition or preservation of undeveloped lands in coastal high hazard areas (2 points)
- Non-structural storm and surge protection (2 points)
- Design mitigation programs that are incentive based (2 points)
- Natural resource recovery and planning; Risk assessments (2 points)
- Other ecosystem restoration measures (2 points)

B.10.2 Provide information as it relates to enhancing environmental resilience. (240 words max)

As with most coastal properties in the City of Destin, the site lies within the 100-year flood plain and the coastal high hazard area. The north portion of the lot is elevated from the water and located in a Zone X, as designated by the 2000 FIRM. The proposed improvements will be constructed in a manner similar to other public facilities along Destin's coastline that are designed to withstand coastal surges and windstorms. Per the City's Land Development Code, Chapter 11, Coastal Management and Conservation, Article 11.04.6 provides general standards for flood hazard reduction. New construction shall be anchored to prevent flotation, collapse, or lateral movement of the structure. New construction shall be constructed with materials and utility equipment resistant to flood damage and by methods and practices that minimize flood damage. Electrical, heating, ventilation, plumbing, air conditioning equipment, ductwork, and other service facilities shall be designed and located so as to prevent water from entering or accumulating within the components during conditions of flooding. Water supply and sanitary sewage systems shall be designed to minimize or eliminate infiltration of flood waters into the systems and discharges from the systems into the flood waters.

The acquisition of the project site for a park was also in keeping with the City's hazard mitigation policy of providing open space within the high hazard area, thereby restricting the density/intensity of development.

B.10.3 Is the project consistent with the goals of an adopted local, regional, state, or national comprehensive plan to enhance environmental resilience?

- Yes (2 points) ; If yes:
- No (0 points)

B.10.3.1 Identify the adopted local, regional, state, or national comprehensive plan(s): Destin Comprehensive Plan 2020

B.10.3.2 Provide any additional information on the above items to demonstrate compliance with the goals and objectives of the plan (120 words max)

Comp Plan documentation attached.

B.10.3.3 Attach supporting documentation

END OF PART B

MEMORANDUM

TO: CITY MANAGER/MARYANN USTICK
FROM: PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR/LANCE JOHNSON
SUBJECT: CAPT. ROYAL MELVIN HERITAGE PARK MEETING WITH MUSEUM STAFF
DATE: JUNE 14, 2013
CC: .

Present: Kathy Marler-Blue, Jack Baker, Michael Bomar, Paul Weinberg of TBG and Lance Johnson

Feedback:

- The Museum's staff and Board of Directors expressed their appreciation for being included in the design process of the new park and asked that this be continued throughout the development process.
- They would like to have the opportunity to review for accuracy all interpretive signage planned to be included in the Park.
- Suggested that an interactive replica of the Primrose be included in the park that is suitable for children to play on.
- Suggested a three level satellite/overhead lay-over map of Destin be included in the project:
 - Before the Marler Bridge was constructed.
 - Before the city incorporated.
 - Modern view.
- Conceptually they would like to see the park serve as an outdoor museum where historical classes would be held throughout the year. Staff is very willing to help the City meet educational grant requirements.
- They would like to see replicas and/or pictures native fish displayed throughout the park.
- They would like to include a means of identifying the 16 founding families of Destin in the park.
- Include historical displays of major events taking place in Destin such as:
 - How Destin became known as the "Worlds Luckiest Fishing Village."
 - How East Pass came into existence.



- LEGEND**
- 1 Walk-off Observation Platform
 - 2 Entry Area
 - 3 Historic Access via sidewalk
 - 4 Designated
 - 5 Historical Sign with Number Recognition
 - 6 Historical Sign with Number Recognition
 - 7 Historical Sign with Number Recognition
 - 8 Historical Sign with Number Recognition
 - 9 Historical Sign with Number Recognition
 - 10 Historical Sign with Number Recognition
 - 11 Historical Sign with Number Recognition
 - 12 Historical Sign with Number Recognition
 - 13 Historical Sign with Number Recognition
 - 14 Historical Sign with Number Recognition
 - 15 Historical Sign with Number Recognition
 - 16 Historical Sign with Number Recognition





San Antonio Riverwalk Main Plaza



Savannah River Walk Gateway



Fort Lauderdale Riverwalk Plaza

“REPLENISH OR PROTECT COASTAL OR MARINE RESOURCES”

EXCERPTS FROM CHAPTER 5 – CONSERVATION ELEMENT CITY OF DESTIN – COMPREHENSIVE PLAN: 2020

OBJECTIVE 5-1.8: PROTECT FISHERIES, WILDLIFE, AND WILDLIFE HABITATS. The City shall protect seagrass beds, wetlands, shellfish propagation and harvesting areas; and habitats of endangered or threatened species from the adverse impacts of development by regulating the location, density, and intensity of those activities that cause the adverse impact.

Policy 5-1.8.2: Protect Wildlife and Wildlife Habitats. Prior to development or land clearing on property containing undisturbed vegetative communities, a survey shall be conducted to identify presence of any endangered, threatened, or species of special concern. The survey shall be conducted by a professional biologist or similar profession as part of the development review process. If such survey identifies the presence of classified wildlife or plant species, a mitigation plan shall be prepared and submitted to the Florida Wildlife Conservation Commission for its review. The City shall further protect wildlife and wildlife habitats by promoting public acquisition and the dedication of conservation easements or reservations. The City shall coordinate with public interest groups in distributing educational pamphlets designed to promote knowledge and awareness of endangered and threatened species.

EXCERPTS FROM CHAPTER 6 – COASTAL MANAGEMENT
CITY OF DESTIN – COMPREHENSIVE PLAN: 2020

GOAL 6-1: COASTAL MANAGEMENT. RESTRICT DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES THAT WOULD DAMAGE OR DESTROY COASTAL RESOURCES, PROTECT HUMAN LIFE AND LIMIT PUBLIC EXPENDITURES IN AREAS SUBJECT TO DESTRUCTION BY NATURAL DISASTERS.

OBJECTIVE 6-1.1: PROTECT COASTAL RESOURCES, WETLANDS, ESTUARIES, LIVING MARINE RESOURCES, AND WILDLIFE HABITATS. Coastal resources, wetlands, water resources, living marine resources, coastal barrier and wildlife habitats, and other natural resources shall be protected, conserved, and enhanced through implementation of the following policies.

Policy 6-1.1.1: Conservation through Land Acquisition. The City shall annually evaluate opportunities to acquire coastal lands and wetlands through state and/or federal conservation land acquisition grant programs.

Policy 6-1.1.2: Protect Living Marine Resources, Coastal Wetlands, and Seagrass Beds. Development shall not cause degradation of coastal wetland habitats and seagrass beds. The City shall accomplish this through implementation of site design and stormwater management facilities that prevents runoff from lowering water quality within Choctawhatchee Bay, Destin Harbor, the City's bayous, or the Gulf of Mexico below the minimum conditions necessary to maintain State classifications as established in Chapter 62-302, F.A.C. Commercially operated marinas with in-water vessel storage shall be prohibited along Choctawhatchee Bay from Cobb's Point eastward to Indian Bayou. When evaluating sites for public boat launching facilities, the City will give highest priority to shoreline areas designated by the State Division of Aquaculture as prohibited for shellfish harvesting. Only after the City has determined that no sites are viable for public boat launch facilities within prohibited shellfish harvesting areas, shall consideration of other shoreline areas be considered.

Policy 6-1.1.3: Protect Coastal and Estuarine Environmental Quality and the Shoreline. The City shall not approve a development order until it has evaluated the potential impact identified by the applicant and other public entities having jurisdiction over the impacted resources. The applicant shall bear the burden of demonstrating that adverse impacts on natural resources of the coastal area will be prevented and that all applicable State and/or federal regulatory measures shall be or have been satisfied. The development review process shall involve all local, regional, State, and federal entities with jurisdictional authority. All development shall:

- A. Protect fish and wildlife habitat.
- B. Prevent degradation of water quality and estuaries.
- C. Manage surface water run-off.
- D. Protect living marine resources.

- E. Reduce exposure to natural hazards.
- F. Ensure adequate public access.
- G. Preserve White Sands.

“RESTORE, IMPROVE OR PROTECT WATER QUALITY.”

EXCERPTS FROM CHAPTER 4 – PUBLIC FACILITIES CITY OF DESTIN – COMPREHENSIVE PLAN: 2020 GOPS

GOAL 4-4: DRAINAGE. PROVIDE A DRAINAGE PROGRAM WHICH WILL REDUCE STORMWATER POLLUTION AND PROVIDE REASONABLE PROTECTION FROM FLOOD DAMAGE.

OBJECTIVE 4-4.1: IMPROVE WATER QUALITY. The City shall improve water quality occurring in runoff by eliminating fifty percent (50%) of the total suspended solids (TSS) and twenty-five percent 25% of nutrients (total nitrate, total phosphorus) (based on 1987 levels) from the Harbor by 2020. Water quality in the Bay, the Gulf, the Bayous, and lakes shall be monitored and appropriate actions taken based on monitoring results.

Policy 4-4.1.1: Program Surface Water Quality. The City shall program stormwater management improvements as part of its local street improvements program; work through the NFWMD and Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) to properly operate and maintain cyclonic treatment structures for Harbor Boulevard outfalls; review public projects performed within all drainage basins for compliance with the City ordinance; prepare a drainage study of all drainage basins that will include recommended water quality improvements, estimated construction costs, and capital improvements program.

Policy 4-4.1.2: Evaluate Surface Water Quality. The City will continue to monitor water quality and provide continuous cooperation and communication with FDOT and Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) regarding maintenance needed (when such maintenance is the responsibility of the FDEP or FDOT), continue considerations of alternative design schemes outfalls associated with the State drainage system, and other activities designed to reduce or eliminate pollutants, litter and debris from reaching Destin Harbor and other water bodies through the outfalls. The studies contemplated herein may be accomplished pursuant to the study performed pursuant to Policy 4-4.2.6.

OBJECTIVE 4-4.2: OPTIMIZE EXISTING STORMWATER CAPABILITIES. Correct existing facility deficiencies and maximize their use.

Policy 4-4.2.1: Stormwater Level of Service Standard. The City’s stormwater LOS shall reflect recent trends in water quantity and quality in Florida including use the following LOS requirements:

- A. The post-development runoff rate shall not exceed the predevelopment runoff rate for a 100-year storm event, up to and including an event with a 24-hour duration.
- B. Roadway secondary conveyance infrastructure designed for 10-year/24 hour storm event.

- C. Roadway cross-drains on collector/arterial roadways designed for 50-year/24 hour storm event; on local/collector roadways designed for 25-year/24 hour storm event.
- D. Parking conveyance infrastructure designed for 5-year/24 hour storm event.
- E. *Finished floor* (not final slab) elevations one foot above 100-year flood elevation (revised).
- F. Increase abatement of pollutant loading through implementation of the Florida Department of Environmental Protection's and the Northwest Florida Water Management District's Environmental Resource Permitting requirements.

Policy 4-4.2.2: Inspect Facilities. The City shall continue its periodic inspection program of stormwater control and treatment structures to ensure proper functioning and continue to enforce the maintenance and operation of such structures previously permitted by the City.

Policy 4-4.2.3: Maintain Facilities Per LOS Standards. The City shall continue its practice of correcting localized drainage problems so that LOS standards are maintained including street sweeping as appropriate per Conservation Element Policy 5-1.5.10: Initiate a Street Sweeping Program.

Policy 4-4.2.4: Roadway Drainage Facilities. The City shall require the use of swale drainage on roadways (existing or new) to the maximum extent possible. Perforated pipe shall be used in situations where piping is necessary. The swales shall be designed to be dry within 72 hours following a 25-year/24-hour storm event and shall provide retention of the first inch of runoff and comply with Ch. 62-25 FAC.

Policy 4-4.2.5: Stormwater Design to be Included with LDC. The LDC shall include land use regulations that require site specific development plans to protect natural drainage features and incorporate such features into the site planning and development process. The LDC may include exemptions to the stormwater standards for limited additions to existing single-family or duplex residential uses, and may designate other special substantive and procedural standards for achieving compliance with the stormwater level of service standards for single-family or duplex residential uses. The LDC may include exemptions to the stormwater standards for limited additions to multi-family and non-residential uses.

Policy 4-4.2.6: Continue to implement the findings of the Citywide Drainage Study and monitor the effectiveness of the improvements.

OBJECTIVE 4-4.3: COMPLY WITH NPDES. Permit existing facilities to meet the United States Environmental Protection Agency's Nonpoint Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Phase II requirements.

Policy 4-4.3.1: Meet NPDES Requirements. Provide all required submittals to the NPDES Phase II permitting authority, the FDEP, by all required submittal dates.

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OBJECTIVE 5-1.5: MAINTAIN AND IMPROVE SURFACE WATER QUALITY AND QUANTITY. The City shall assist in maintaining and improving the environmental health of the Choctawhatchee Bay and its bayous, the Gulf of Mexico, Destin Harbor, and local lakes. The City shall also assist in improving and preserving the ambient water quality of Class II waters (shellfish harvesting and propagation areas) in order to protect the economic and social well-being of the citizens of the City.

Policy 5-1.5.1: Water Quality, Surface Water Management, and Land Use. Stormwater facilities and site development shall be designed to prevent runoff from lowering water quality within Choctawhatchee Bay, Destin Harbor, the City's bayous, or the Gulf of Mexico below the minimum conditions necessary to maintain State classifications as established in Chapter 62-302, F.A.C.

Policy 5-1.5.8: Ensure Stormwater Design Compatibility with Natural Systems. Stormwater retention/detention areas shall be designed and landscaped to appear as a natural water body. Any stormwater detention or retention areas located near any estuary or estuarine systems or other water bodies within the corporate limits of the City shall be designed so that the shorelines are sinuous rather than straight and so that water/land interfaces are curvilinear and maximize space for growth of littoral vegetation. The LDC shall include design criteria and landscape requirements for stormwater retention/detention facilities.

Policy 5-1.5.9: Improve Water Quality within Destin Harbor (Old East Pass). Water quality within Destin Harbor shall be improved through the following actions and programs:

- A. As amended in the City's adopted stormwater master plan, needed improvements therein shall be incorporated into the City's Capital Improvements Program. When establishing priorities for improvements identified within this study, the City shall consider those improvements that eliminate or reduce discharge into Destin Harbor.
- B. The City shall coordinate with FDEP and NFWFMD regarding state programs and/or grant funds that can be used to improve water circulation and to remove sediment within Destin Harbor.
- C. The City shall continue to support FDEP water monitoring programs for Destin Harbor.
- D. The FLUE and the LDC shall prohibit or regulate land use activities that will adversely impact water quality within Destin Harbor.
- E. Pre-and post-development stormwater runoff rates should ensure that the volume, natural fluctuation, and water quality of receiving waters entering Destin Harbor maintains water quality standards established by the FDEP.

“ENHANCE ENVIRONMENTAL RESILIENCE”

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OBJECTIVE 5-1.4: PROTECT NATURAL RESOURCES. The City shall conserve and protect the remaining natural resources in recognition of the inherent values of these areas left in their natural state, through appropriate land use designations and regulation. All future development or redevelopment of land shall be consistent with the Comprehensive Plan and the LDC.

Policy 5-1.4.1: Designate Conservation Land Resources. The Future Land Use Map series delineates conservation land resources as environmentally fragile natural resources whose value warrants long-term preservation. Such areas may include coastal shoreline areas, upland and wetland vegetative communities supporting endangered or threatened species and wetlands. All conservation land resources shall either remain undeveloped or shall undergo "restricted development". "Restricted development" shall be defined as those options allowed by the development rights and restrictions stipulated in the Comprehensive Plan and LDC.

Policy 5-1.4.2: Implement Environmental Policies. Policies in this Element for managing environmentally sensitive natural systems, including, but not limited to, the Destin Harbor, Choctawhatchee Bay, and Gulf of Mexico, and other environmentally sensitive resources shall be carried out through performance standards in the LDC. These and other natural resources identified on the FLUM series shall be protected and/or preserved pursuant to goals, objectives, and Policies established in this Element. In addition, the LDC shall provide more detailed procedures and performance criteria to implement conservation and natural resource protection. This LDC shall also provide for wetland preservation consistent with the requirements and regulations of the NFWFMD, FDEP, and the Corps of Engineers.

Policy 5-1.4.3: Continue Intergovernmental Coordination and Natural Resource Management. The City shall coordinate with the NFWFMD, the West Florida Regional Planning Council (WFRPC), Okaloosa County, state agencies, and other agencies concerned with managing natural resources. Such intergovernmental coordinating activities shall be directed toward protecting the values and functions of respective natural systems. The methods for coordinating with other local government, state, federal, and private plans/programs for conservation of natural resources shall be incorporated into the City’s planning process detailed in the LDC.

Policy 5-1.4.4: Regulate Development to Promote Natural Resource Conservation. The City shall use the best available technical criteria and information to maintain and update as needed the adopted Ordinances, pursuant to recommendations of the Northwest Florida Coast Resource Management Plan, relating to Water Saving Devices, Stormwater Management, White Sands Protection, Shoreline Protection, Flood Damage Prevention and Landscape Development. These ordinances shall continue to ensure that future

development is compatible with the functioning and carry capacity of existing natural systems and resources conservation.

Policy 5-1.4.5: Require Site Plan Review. The City shall continue to require site plan review of all proposed development or redevelopment to prevent unnecessary destruction or inappropriate use of existing natural resources and natural sites. The City shall ensure that during the site plan review process it shall enforce qualitative and quantitative performance criteria consistent with the Comprehensive Plan policies governing the preservation of open space and vegetation.

Policy 5-1.4.6: Protect Flora and Fauna Having Special Status. Development activities shall not adversely impact wildlife and plants that are endangered, threatened, or species of special concern, as listed on the Federal or State inventory of designated "endangered or threatened" species, or "species of special concern." The City shall further protect wildlife and plants, including wildlife habitat, by promoting public acquisition and the dedication of conservation easements or reservations. Applicants for development proposed on undeveloped land must submit a field survey from a professional biologist, or other similar professional, evaluating presence of any listed species.

Policy 5-1.4.7: Manage Stormwater Runoff. Upon Plan adoption, the developer/owner of any site shall be responsible for managing onsite runoff unless the City has otherwise established or approved a stormwater master plan that serves multiple properties. All new development shall comply with adopted level of service standards for surface water management.

Policy 5-1.4.8: Enforce Land Development Regulations. The City shall continue to enforce land development regulations that protect and conserve the natural functions of existing vegetative communities, fauna, flora, soils, fisheries, floodplains, and other natural resources, and shall also continue to coordinate with state and federal environmental agencies regarding potential impact to natural resources under state or federal jurisdiction or purview.

Policy 5-1.4.9: Evaluate Opportunities for Land Acquisition. The City shall annually consider the availability of state and federal grant programs for the acquisition of conservation lands or shoreline areas. Within two years of Plan adoption, the City shall coordinate with the FDEP, the Florida Department of Community Affairs, or other appropriate state agencies regarding grant programs and state funds for acquisition of undeveloped land along shoreline areas.

Policy 5-1.4.13: Protect Natural Resources. The LDC shall continue to contain provisions that promote the natural function of identified wetlands, lakes, bayous, bays, harbors, or the Gulf. To ensure protection of natural resources (beaches, dunes, wetlands and lakes) in the implementation of this element, principal structures shall be clustered away from natural resources. It is important to note that an approved dredge and fill permit will be required as a condition of a development order when the subject property

is in close proximity to natural resources. The City's intent is not to prohibit density transfers. To facilitate the clustering of development away from natural resources, density transfers may be authorized on a one-to-one basis to the buildable portion of the site. However, there shall be no density transfer allowed or density credit given, for lakes or other open water bodies. The City may also protect natural areas through the variance of lot and setback requirements. All waterfront lots shall be required to maintain either a setback or a buffer from the mean high water line (MHWL) for principal structures.

OBJECTIVE 5-1.7: PROTECT NATIVE VEGETATION AND MARINE HABITATS.

The City shall protect and retain major vegetative communities, marine habitats, and endangered and threatened plant species. Vegetative communities include the beach and dune community and wetlands. Marine habitats include sea grass beds and other living marine resources.

Policy 5-1.7.1: Implement Protection of Vegetative Communities. Site design for development applications shall give priority to preserving areas with existing mature trees and native vegetation before replacing them with commercially-raised plants and trees. Open space requirements placed on site design shall be located in a manner that protects existing trees and native vegetation. The landscape standards and acceptable planting materials incorporated in the City's Land Development Code shall promote the use of native plant species and prohibit the planting of exotic plants known to create nuisances. All open space areas where existing trees and vegetation are not preserved shall be replanted predominantly with native trees and vegetation. Where vegetative communities and marine habitats cannot be preserved, a restoration plan shall be prepared and implemented to compensate for the loss of vegetation and to enhance stabilization of fragile slopes and/or shorelines impacted by development.

Policy 5-1.7.2: Preserve Native Plant Communities. New development shall preserve beach and shoreline vegetation, wetlands, and vegetative habits known to serve as nesting areas for endangered or threatened species, and shall conserve native plant communities containing "rare" or "endangered" species. Where reasonable use of property cannot occur without impacting such areas, the City will coordinate with the Florida Wildlife Conservation Commission regarding appropriate mitigation measures.

Policy 5-1.7.3: Remove Undesirable Exotic Vegetation. Owners or applicants for development or redevelopment must remove all nuisance and invasive exotic plant species from the site prior to the issuance of a certificate of occupancy.