



**AGENDA**  
**HARBOR CRA ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 13, 2025**  
**5:30 PM**  
**DESTIN CITY HALL ANNEX COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- 2. AGENDA APPROVAL**
- 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
  - A) May 14, 2025 Minutes**
  - B) June 11, 2025 Minutes**
  - C) July 9, 2025 Minutes**
- 4. CURRENT BUSINESS**
  - A) Development and City Projects Update**
- 5. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS/QUESTIONS**
  - A) John Stephens- 2024 Annual Report**
  - B) Lance Johnson**
  - C) Casey Jones**
  - D) Guy Tadlock**
  - E) Jim Green**
  - F) James Howard**
  - G) Mariam Paulino**
- 6. PUBLIC COMMENTS**
- 7. NEXT MEETING DATE: September 10, 2025**

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**MINUTES**  
**HARBOR COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY**  
**ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**MAY 14, 2025 - 5:30 PM**  
**DESTIN CITY HALL ANNEX CHAMBERS**

**1. CALL TO ORDER:**

The Harbor Community Redevelopment Agency Advisory Committee meeting was called to order by Chairman Stephens in the Destin City Hall Annex Council Chambers at 5:30 p.m., on May 14, 2025, followed immediately with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**2. ROLL CALL:**

<u>Present</u>	<u>Members Absent</u>	<u>Staff Present</u>
John Stephens	Casey Jones	Kim Montgomery Deputy City Clerk
Jim Green		Daniel Butler Principal Planner
Jay Howard		Kim Kopp City Attorney
Lance Johnson		
Guy Tadlock		

**3. AGENDA APPROVAL:**

**Motion by Committee member Green to approve the agenda with Committee member Howard providing the second, the motion passed 4-0. Committee member Tadlock was not present for the vote.**

**4. MINUTES FOR APPROVAL: April 16, 2025 Minutes**

**Motion by Committee member Green, seconded by Vice Chair Johnson to approve the minutes of the April 16, 2025, meeting as written, the motion passed with a 5-0 vote.**

**5. CURRENT BUSINESS:**

- **Development and City Projects Update – Principal Planner Daniel Butler**
  - The Development Order for the Cross Town Connector the final plat has been recorded and next the rezoning of the parcels from MDR to Recreation with the right-of-way in the middle, however, this will not be a park, it is for stormwater retention purposes, which is the first phase of the project, and is currently out for bid.
  - Harbor Walk Village, Phase II development order application has been submitted.
    - A preliminary presentation was delivered to the City Council on April 21.
    - Staff awaiting a revised parking analysis and updated site renderings.
    - Plans include a multi-story parking garage, the exact stories has not been determined at this time, with over 1,000 parking spaces, and wrapped with hotel and/or residential accommodations.
    - Only upland parking is being reviewed for the project.

The Marler Bridge Expansion concerns were raised regarding elevation increases from to accommodate larger vessels, and how it could potentially impact navigation in the surrounding waterways. Additional discussions regarding the Stahlman intersection were broached, with the implications of extended ramps as well as potential federal funding to assist with the redesign.

Committee member Howard stated that he would attempt to get a meeting with the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) to address community impacts and design options and will implement it into a work plan for this committee.

- 114 Mountain Drive and 115 Palmetto for a limited services restaurant application is being proposed and is currently in the completeness review process.

The City Attorney briefed the members on the current status of the Livery Vessel ordinance that will be going before the Council at their June 19<sup>th</sup> Council Meeting.

## 6. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS:

### ➤ Chairman Stephens – Work Plans

- **Improved Christmas Lighting in the Harbor CRA District**
  - Large Christmas tree on a barge in the harbor was proposed.
    - Suggested partnering with Parks & Rec and engaging local businesses and schools for donations because of funding limitations due to One Calhoun property acquisition and the suggestion for possible use of Parks Foundation funds for the purchase.

**Motion by Committee member Green to have member Stephens act as the committee liaison from the Harbor CRA-AC to the Parks & Recreation Committee to discuss Christmas decoration in the Harbor District. Chairman Stephens provided the second, the motion passed 5-0.**

- **Camera Integration in the Harbor District**
  - Proposal to enhance safety and enforcement by linking public camera systems to the Sheriff's Office Real-Time Crime Center.
    - Includes features such as license plate and facial recognition, subject to permissions and privacy considerations.

Members stressed the need for public signage to duly inform individuals of the presence of 24 hour surveillance cameras.

**Agency member Green made a motion to accept the work plan for camera systems in the Destin Harbor CRA District with modification to signage, with Committee member Howard providing the second. The motion passed 5-0.**

- **Breakwater Snorkeling and Oyster Gardening Project**

- Phase I: Partnering with CBA and private/commercial waterfront businesses for citywide oyster gardening initiative at their docks to raise oysters.
- Phase II: Provide a marine habitat restoration initiative to install breakwater and snorkeling zone at Clement Taylor Park to improve habitat, water safety and quality, and tourism access for those that want to snorkel but cannot in the Gulf.
- Partnership support from Okaloosa County Coastal Resources.
  - Design concerns include, tide flow mitigation, suitable water depths, breakwater requirements and cost-effective placement.

**Vice Chair Johnson made the motion to recommend the City Council accept the work plan with the addition of the breakwater at Clement Taylor Park, with Committee member Green providing the second. The motion passed 5-0.**

➤ **Committee member Green – One Calhoun Property**

- Discussed the need to generate income to pay back the HCRA District fund.
  - The transition to a temporary paid parking lot was well received to generate income rather than sitting vacant with posted No Trespassing signs.
    - Members Green and Stephens agreed that a work plan needs to be created for a future marina at the property and will independently research for this initiative to bring back for discussions.
      - Committee member Howard will contact and meet with FDOT to gather information on their interest in the future Bridge replacement property needs.

Principal Planner, Daniel Butler informed the members that this property is located in the South Harbor Mixed Use (SHMU) zone, which does not allow stand-alone parking, and City Council would not be able to allow the use.

The City Attorney spoke of how recently staff has been approached regarding such a request in the SHMU district and the request was not approved, because of this reason.

**Motion by Committee member Johnson, seconded by Committee member Tadlock for City Council to direct staff to look into uses for the One Calhoun property, to include temporary parking as one of the options. The motion passed 5-0.**

➤ **Committee member Johnson** – Asked staff if they had an update on the status of the undergrounding of utilities. According to Mr. Butler, he does not have anything current and will provide one at their next meeting.

Chairman Stephens opened the discussion to the public for input.

Tess Howard, 720 Spring Lake questioned the members the following:

- Inquired about recreational value along Crosstown Connector and asked whether long-term amenities were planned.
  - Response: Only ten foot wide sidewalks will be installed on both sides of the roadway. Council avoided adding recreational structures due to roadway proximity.
- Asked if on-land improvements would follow the oyster farming project at Clement Taylor Park.
  - Response: The development order has been issued and the park improvements to should begin soon.
- Questioned the public opposition risk if temporary parking is later removed at One Calhoun property.
  - Committee responded that plans a future parking garage nearby and boardwalk should help offset concerns.
- Asked about long-term master planning.
  - Staff confirmed a new CRA master plan was completed by 3TP Consultants and is scheduled for City Council’s review and approval at the June 2, 2025 meeting.

**7. ADJOURNMENT:**

Having no further business at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 6:20 PM.

Adopted and approved this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2025.

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John Stephens, Chairman

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Kim Montgomery, Deputy City Clerk

**MINUTES**  
**HARBOR COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY**  
**ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**JUNE 11, 2025 - 5:30 PM**  
**DESTIN CITY HALL ANNEX CHAMBERS**

**1. CALL TO ORDER:**

The Harbor Community Redevelopment Agency Advisory Committee meeting was called to order by Chairman Stephens in the Destin City Hall Annex Council Chambers at 5:30 p.m., on June 11, 2025, followed immediately with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**2. ROLL CALL:**

<u>Present</u>	<u>Members Absent</u>	<u>Staff Present</u>
John Stephens	Casey Jones	Kim Montgomery Deputy City Clerk
Jim Green	Jay Howard	Daniel Butler Principal Planner
Guy Tadlock		Kim Kopp City Attorney
Lance Johnson		

**3. AGENDA APPROVAL:**

**Motion by Committee member Green to approve the agenda with Committee member Johnson providing the second, the motion passed 4-0.**

**4. CURRENT BUSINESS:**

- **Development and City Projects Update – Principal Planner Daniel Butler**
  - 288 and 302 Harbor Docks: Proposal for reclassification of slip usage (from transient to private).
    - No marine construction is proposed in the current development order.
    - Project will proceed to City Council as a public hearing on Monday, June 16, 2025.
  - **City Project Completed:**
    - Library employee parking has been finalized and completed.
  - **Underground Utility Update:**
    - Current work is limited to right-of-way on US 98.
    - During "100 Days of Summer," no additional boring or traffic-impacting construction will occur.
      - Only utility undergrounding efforts will continue, GigaPower and other utilities are paused.

**5. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS:**

- **Committee member Tadlock – Marler Bridge Replacement**
  - Raised concern over the proposed Marler Bridge replacement

- New bridge specs: 65 ft vertical clearance and 150 ft horizontal clearance (existing is 49 ft / 82 ft).
- Encouragement for the City Council to proactively form a bridge advisory committee was broached.
- Strong sentiment that this bridge should serve as a gateway landmark for Destin.
  - Recommends increased slope (potentially 6%) to reduce land encroachment. Questioning design based on a 45mph speed limit, while the bridge historically operates at 35mph.
  - Suggests design to be based on actual speed to allow steeper grades and reduce land impact.
  - Potential for realigning the navigation channel to reduce bridge footprint on the Destin side.
  - Suggestions for dedicated marine lanes, reconfigured traffic flow, and early planning coordination.
  - Existing clearance is affected by wooden fenderings (Allisons).
  - Wider clearance (150 ft) is welcomed by marine users, especially for larger vessels.
  - Noted safety concerns and marine navigation benefits of increased horizontal span.

➤ **Chairman Stephens**

- **1 Harbor Blvd.**
  - Spoke of the need to get the seawall repaired for safety purposes.
    - Mentioned how Shalimar was able to obtain a grant from the TDC for the construction of their marina.

**Motion by Chairman Stephens, seconded by Vice Chairman Green to recommend City Council to direct staff to explore TDC (Tourist Development Council) funding options to repair of the seawall at 1 Harbor Blvd. property.**

In discussion, Vice Chairman Green stated that he would also like to explore the use of the property for a paid parking lot. Chairman Stephens stated that at this time, he is only interested in making the necessary improvements to the property and the parking lot feature could come at a later date. **With no further discussion, the motion passed**

Mr. Butler informed the members:

- Staff is coordinating with bond counsel due to restrictions from tax-exempt financing.
- A meeting with bond counsel is scheduled; the outcome will determine allowable uses.

- Potential follow-up presentation from bond counsel at future committee meeting (possibly virtual attendance).

**Next meeting is July 9, 2025**

**6. ADJOURNMENT:**

Having no further business at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 6:11 PM.

Adopted and approved this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2025.

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John Stephens, Chairman

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Kim Montgomery, Deputy City Clerk

**MINUTES**  
**HARBOR COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY**  
**ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**JULY 9, 2025 - 5:30 PM**  
**DESTIN CITY HALL ANNEX CHAMBERS**

**1. CALL TO ORDER:**

The Harbor Community Redevelopment Agency Advisory Committee meeting was called to order by Chairman Stephens in the Destin City Hall Annex Council Chambers at 5:30 p.m., on July 9, 2025, followed immediately with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**2. ROLL CALL:**

**Present**

John Stephens  
Jim Green  
Guy Tadlock  
Jay Howard  
Lance Johnson  
Casey Jones

**Staff Present**

Kim Montgomery Deputy City Clerk  
Daniel Butler Principal Planner  
Jesse Hernandez Planner  
David Prichard Community Development  
Kyle Bauman Special Projects Counsel

**3. AGENDA APPROVAL:**

**Motion by Committee member Green to approve the agenda with Committee member Jones providing the second, the motion passed 6-0.**

**4. CURRENT BUSINESS:**

➤ **Development and City Projects Update – Principal Planner Daniel Butler**

- **Clement Taylor Park Update** – The Treasury Department has now received all the information they have required, and Okaloosa County has requested the Treasury Department to release the funds so that the Notice to Proceed can be issued to the contractor hired for the project.

- No new projects for this month.
  - A brief discussion took place about a social rumor that the city is interested in purchasing Point Mezzanine Property, staff informed the members they have no knowledge of this subject.
- **One Harbor Blvd.**
  - Staff reiterated that One Harbor Boulevard was purchased using Harbor CRA funds in conjunction with tax-exempt bonds.
  - Legal counsel (Bryant Miller Olive PA) briefed staff on tax-exempt bond stipulations.
  - Key legal constraints:
    - Federal funds must not be used for improvements, or the bond's tax-

exempt status may be jeopardized.

- Uses must qualify as public benefit such as:
  - public parking
  - waterfront access.

**Potential Uses of the Property:**

- Paid Municipal Parking Lot
  - Deemed a permissible and bond-compliant use.
  - Must be operated by the city or a city-approved vendor under clear municipal control.
  - Automated enforcement systems (e.g., license plate capture) are acceptable.
  - A temporary parking lot with gravel was proposed to avoid costly infrastructure like stormwater systems.
- **City Marina or Public Facilities**
  - Both are possible but must be operated by city employees, not third parties.
  - Similar rules apply if a research facility or other use is pursued.
  - Since the City owns the property, not the CRA, an interlocal agreement may be needed to allocate revenues back to the Harbor CRA Fund.
  - Temporary pedestrian walkway under Destin Bridge.
  - Preservation of the large trees along the site was agreed.

**Motion by Committee member Green, seconded by Committee member Jones for the Harbor CRA to recommend the CRA Board to pursue the construction of a temporary paid parking lot at 1 Harbor Blvd. property, to generate funds for the Harbor CRA fund, encompassed by any applicable agreements. Committee member Johnson suggested amending the motion to include the parking for residents of Destin would be free under their parking pass. Both Committee members Green and Jones were not in agreement with the amendment, with no further discussion, Chairman Stephens called for the vote and the motion passed 5-1 with Chairman Stephens dissenting.**

**5. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS:**

➤ **Committee member Tadlock – Marler Bridge Replacement**

- The members discussed FDOT's potential bridge expansion or reconstruction.
  - Committee member Howard mentioned he has an August 21st meeting with FDOT to discuss bridge alignment and possible land repurchase or compensation to the city and,
    - Discussed the possibility of 40 parking spaces could fit under the future bridge design.

➤ **Chairman Stephens – Mooring Field Workplan**

- Chairman Stephens presented his work plan aiming to:
  - Establish limited mooring control within Destin Harbor and Joe’s Bayou.
    - The preliminary plan proposed is to start with five mooring balls to ensure the city has more jurisdiction over the waterways to have better control the boats mooring in the harbor.
      - Currently there are about five boats anchored that have not moved in a long time.
      - Fulfill conditions to enable the appointment of a harbor master.
      - Supports enforcement, sanitation, laundry services, and tourist-friendly boating.
- Upland facilities would include:
  - Restrooms, showers, laundry, and dinghy docks.
  - Potential for a modular harbor master office at One Harbor.
- Preferred infrastructure: holding tanks (not connected to city sewers) to manage waste.
  - Research how the City of Pensacola used American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds to fund their mooring field study, and he expressed interest for the city to possibly apply for a similar grant in the future.

**Motion by Chairman Stephens to recommend the CRA Board approve the Mooring Field work plan item as presented with Committee member Johnson providing the second. After a brief discussion regarding the committee’s purview, it was recommended by Council member Trammell to include the Harbor & Waterways Board’s partnership with the work plan. Chairman Stephens amended his motion to for the Harbor CRA Advisory Committee to pursue this plan in coordination with the Harbor and Waterways Board due to jurisdictional limitations of the Harbor District with Committee member Johnson seconding the amended motion, the motion passed 6-0.**

➤ **Vice Chairman Green –**

**Motion by Vice Chairman Green for the CRA board to direct staff to identify all non-paid city parking spaces within the Harbor CRA District and move them to paid parking allowing the local pass to be utilized, with Chairman Stephens providing the second. The motion passed 6-0.**

**Motion by Vice Chairman Green for the CRA Board to consider and evaluate a percentage of parking revenue within the Harbor CRA District to be shared with the Harbor CRA district to be shared with the CRA, the Harbor CRA fund, with Committee member Johnson providing the second. In discussion, it was decided to recommend an actual percentage amount. Vice Chair Green amended the motion for the CRA board to consider and evaluate**

**a 50% split of parking revenue within the Harbor CRA district for the Harbor CRA fund. Committee member Johnson agreed to the amended motion for his second, and the motion passed with a 6-0.**

- Chairman Stephens asked the members to look over his draft Annual Report and make any changes or feedback they feel is necessary at their next meeting in August.
- Committee member Johnson mentioned a motion made back when the Chairman Stephens was on City Council, that when made, he thought it would be more geared towards the Harbor Capacity Committees purview, for City Council to direct the city manager to have the city staff review and determine the feasibility of a potential mooring harbor plan, present the results for the input.
- Committee member Jones informed the board that he would be out of the state for the August meeting.
- **Next meeting is August 13, 2025**

**6. ADJOURNMENT:**

Having no further business at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 7:20 PM.

Adopted and approved this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2025.

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John Stephens, Chairman

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Kim Montgomery, Deputy City Clerk

CITY OF DESTIN – COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT



# AGENDA ITEM

**MEETING DATE:** August 13, 2025

**BOARD/COMMITTEE:** Harbor Community Redevelopment Agency Advisory Committee

**TYPE OF AGENDA ITEM:** Presentation

**OUTLINE NUMBER:** 4.A.

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**TO:** Harbor Community Redevelopment Agency Advisory Committee

**THRU:** Kimberly Kopp, City Attorney  
David Prichard, Community Development Director  
Steve O'Connor, Deputy Community Development Director  
Daniel Butler, Principal Planner

**FROM:** Jesse Hernandez, Planner

**DATE:** August 4, 2025

**SUBJECT:** Development and City Projects Update

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**I. BACKGROUND:** This report includes updates on the Development Projects in the Harbor Community Redevelopment Area and active City Projects. Provided is the list of projects which are approved or currently under review.

**II. DISCUSSION:** Below are the development and City projects within the Harbor CRA from the month of July.

## **I. DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS:**

### **Under Review**

- Project: Harbor Walk Village Phase II (DEV-001575-2025)
  - o Project Location: 76 Harbor Boulevard.
  - o Parcel ID: 00-2S-22-0630-0000-0900
  - o Status: The applicant attended a Question-and-Answer presentation at City Council on April 21, 2025.
  - o Scope: This is a submittal for a City Council Workshop review of compliance with an existing Development Order. Numbers, values, calculations, and items are best assumptions and will be corrected once compliance is approved.

- Project: LocoHana Grill (DEV-001599-2025)
  - o Project Location: 114 Mountain Dr. and 115 Palmetto St.
  - o Parcel ID: 000-2S-22-0310-000B-2170, 00-2S-22-0310-000B-2160
  - o Status: Application Packet Deemed Incomplete on July 17, 2025. Awaiting Resubmittal.
  - o Scope: Renovations to transform the former Elks Lodge into LocOhana, a limited-service restaurant offering casual tropical dining. Project includes interior renovations and exterior site improvements.

**Approved Projects**

- None

**Denied Projects**

- None

**II. CITY PROJECTS:**

- Cross-Town Connector (Beach to Benning)
  - o Status: Under Construction
  - o This is the final segment of the overall Cross-Town Connector to provide a secondary East-West corridor through the City of Destin and provide pedestrian pathway connectivity between the east and west sides of the City.
- City of Destin Zerbe/Calhoun Pedestrian Boardwalk Project Phase II (Boardwalk Under the Bridge) & Stahlman Avenue Project Development and Environmental (PD&E) Study
  - o Status: Working on a new contract with Baskerville Donovan, Inc.
  - o A.K.A., Boardwalk Under the Bridge, this project will provide pedestrian crossing of US Highway 98 under Marler Bridge for safe pedestrian access between the Harbor Boardwalk and City parking.
- Clement Taylor Park Improvements. Project Location: 131 Calhoun Ave
  - o Status: Under Construction.
  - o This project will include new restrooms, parking lot improvements and enhanced pedestrian access improvements.
- Sibert Ave Parking Lot Improvements. Project Location: 108 Sibert Ave
  - o Status: Suspended due to Town Center study.
  - o Parking Lot Improvements on the parcel. Approximately 35 parking spaces will be added to the parking lot.
- Hwy 98 at Stahlman Ave Signalization Project
  - o Status: On FDOT's 5-Year PD&E Plan
  - o This project will focus on the safety of the intersection for both vehicles and pedestrians alike.
- Hwy 98 Project Development and Environmental (PD&E) Study – Airport Rd to Marler Bridge.
  - o Status: On FDOT's 5-year PD&E Plan
  - o The PD&E Study will look at FDOT's role in congestion mitigation of US Highway 98 between Airport Road and the Marler Bridge.

- Hwy 98 Project Development and Environmental (PD&E) Study – Marler Bridge and approaches.
  - o Status: On FDOT’s 5-year PD&E Plan
  - o The PD&E Study will look at FDOT's role in the replacement of the Marler Bridge.
- CTC Wayside Trail – will span from Benning Dr east to Beach Dr
  - o Status: Under Construction.
  - o This project will provide workout nodes, playgrounds, and dog parks throughout the span of the park.
- Library Employee Parking – 150 Sibert Avenue
  - o Status: COMPLETED.
  - o This project will provide additional parking for employees, freeing up space in the primary parking lot for visitors to the library.
- Utility Undergrounding – Marler Bridge to Airport Road
  - o Status: Under Construction.
  - o This project will provide underground utility infrastructure.

As the Development Projects and City Projects are under review, Staff will continue to provide updates to the Harbor CRA at their monthly meetings.

**A. Link to Strategic Goals / Objectives: n/a**

**B. Effect on Budget (EOB): n/a**

**C. Level of Service (LOS): n/a**

**D. Legislative Sponsor:**

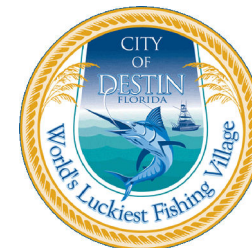
**E. Business Impact Statement:**

### **III. CONCLUSION:**

### **IV. RECOMMENDED MOTION: None- Informational Item**

Attachments:

1. City Projects July 2025
2. Development Projects July 2025



## City Projects July 2025



### LEGEND

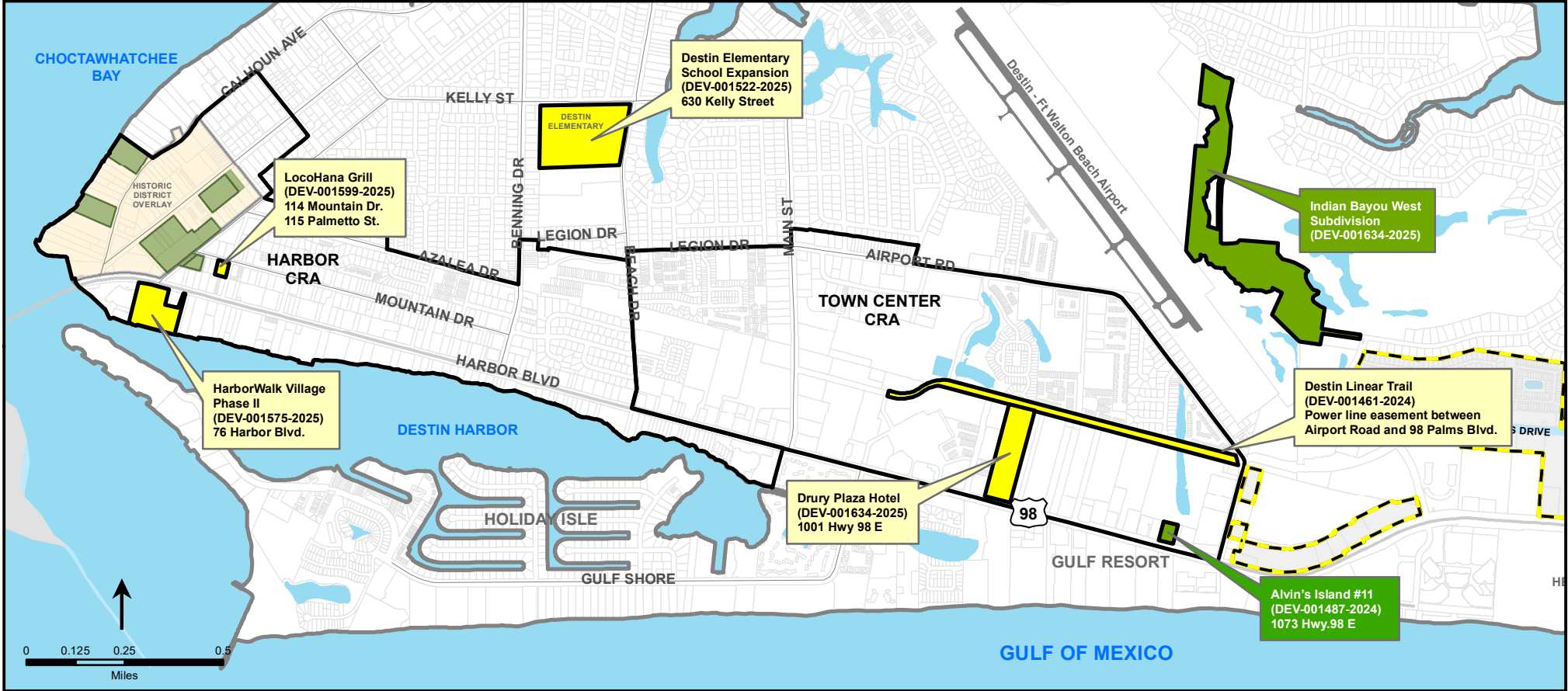
- Under Design/Permitting
- Other Projects
- Under Construction
- (PD&E) Study Hwy. 98 Airport Rd. to include the Marler Bridge.
- City Limit Line

▲ West Destin  
▼ East Destin



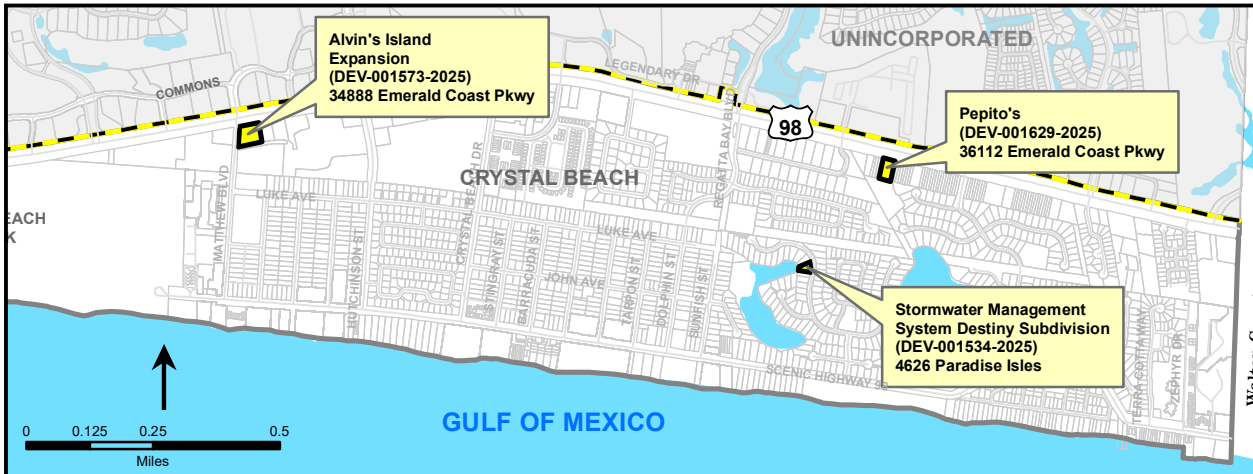
1. Crosstown Connector (Beach to Benning).
2. Zerbe/Calhoun Pedestrian Project Phase II (Boardwalk under the Bridge).
3. Morgan Sports Center – Bathroom, maintenance facility expansion.
4. Clement Taylor Park Improvements, 131 Calhoun Ave.
5. Sibert Ave Parking Lot Improvements, 108 Sibert Ave
6. Hwy 98 at Stahlman Ave Signalization Project.
7. The Shores at Crystal Beach Parking lot additions.
8. Hwy 98 Project Development and Environmental (PD&E) Study Hwy 98 – Airport Rd to include the Marler Bridge.
9. Mattie M. Kelly Park (FDEP).
10. CTC Wayside Trail.
11. Linear Trail.
12. Pickleball.
13. Norriego Point Park/Gulf Shore Drive Extension.
14. Airport Road/Industrial Park Road Median Improvements.
15. Utility Undergrounding (Marler Bridge to Airport Road).
16. Channel Maintenance Dredging.
17. Morgan Sports Center – Field/Parking Lights.
18. Buck Destin Park- Bathroom Relocation.
19. Airport Drive/Commons Blvd. Pedestrian Signal Upgrade.
20. Tarpon Street Parking Lot Additions.
21. Mattie Kelly Park Drainage Outfall Project.
22. Morgan Sports Center batting cages.

# July 2025 City Wide Development Projects



▲ West Destin

▼ East Destin



**LEGEND**

- City Limit Line
- Development Projects Under Review
- Development Orders Issued/ Applications Approved
- Zerbe-Calhoun Historic District Overlay
- Existing Municipal Facilities

# Destin Harbor Community Redevelopment Agency Committee



## 2024 Annual Report

Submitted,

August 13, 2025

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John Stephens  
Chairman, Harbor CRA Committee

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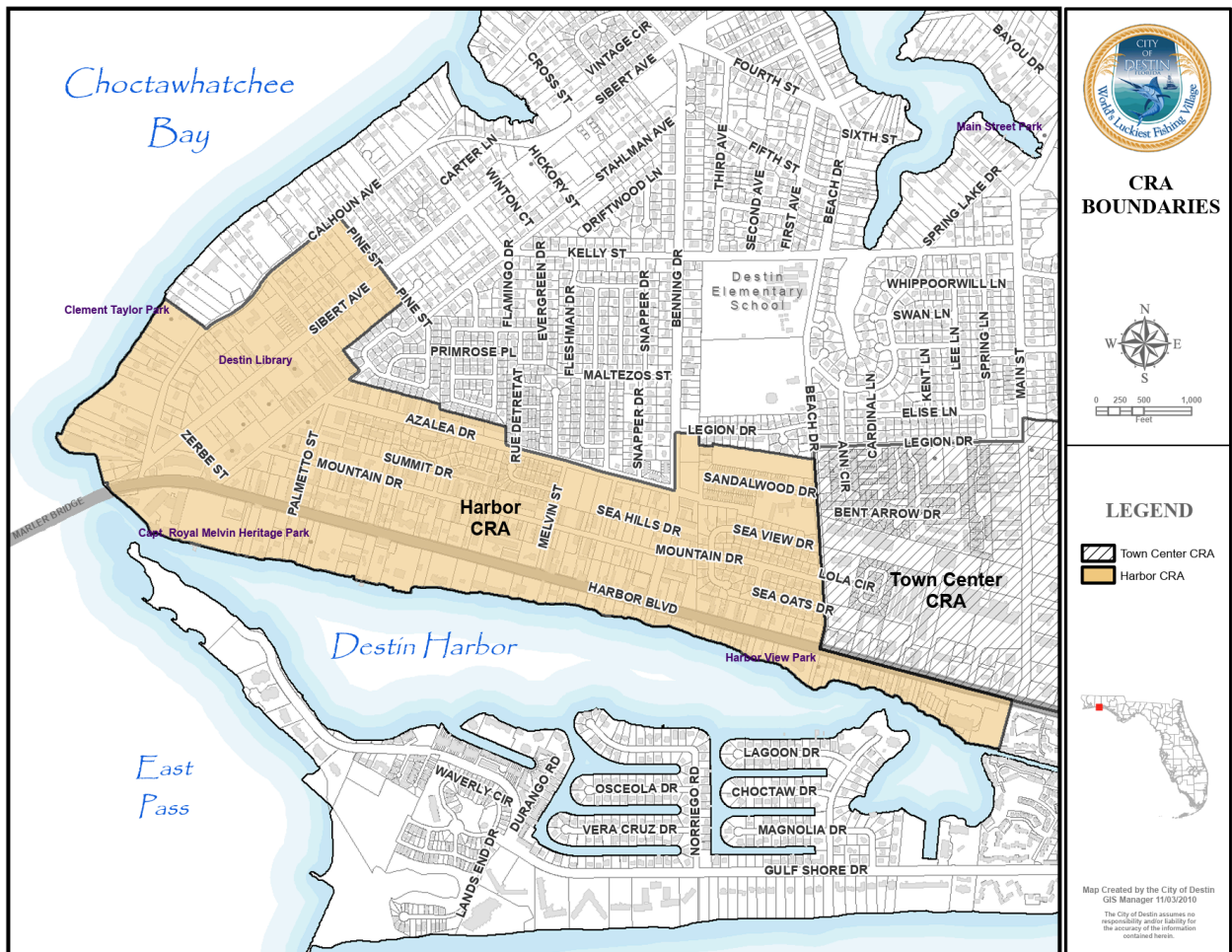
Lance Johnson  
Vice Chairman, Harbor CRA Committee



# Harbor Community Redevelopment Committee

The Harbor Community Redevelopment Committee is comprised of seven (7) members, each serving four-year terms consecutively with that of the Councilor making the nomination. At the first available meeting that follows the new city elections, the committee members elect a new Committee Chairperson and Vice Chairperson.

1. **Meeting Date/Time:** Second (2<sup>nd</sup>) Wednesday of every month at 5:30pm.
2. **Meeting Location:** Destin City Hall Annex
3. **Staff Liaison:** Community Development Department
4. **Harbor CRA Boundaries:** Map below shows boundaries



**5. Mission Statement:** The mission of the City of Destin Harbor Community Redevelopment Agency Committee is to revitalize and enhance the Destin Harbor through thoughtful planning, public-private partnerships, and strategic investment. The committee’s objectives shall be based upon implementation of the Harbor CRA Master Plan and the City’s Comprehensive Plan. The committee shall make recommendations and work plans to the City Council. The committee is committed to preserving the Harbor’s unique heritage, improving public access and infrastructure, promoting sustainable development, and fostering a vibrant, resilient waterfront that benefits residents, businesses, and visitors alike.

**6. Florida Sunshine Compliance:** The Harbor CRA Committee, as an advisory committee to the Destin City Council, is required by law to operate within the Florida Governmental Sunshine Laws.

**7. How to Join:** Apply at: <https://www.cityofdestin.com/FormCenter/City-Clerk-9/Committee-Volunteer-Application-57> (fill and submit the application online).

**8. Notes:**  
There has been no Annual Report since 2020, due to waiting on Harbor CRA Master Plan

**9. Committee Motions:**

Motion & Description	When Proposed	Motion By:	Seconded By:	Passed
Recommends to the CRA Board/City Council adopt the definition of livery as proposed and presented,	June 12, 2024	Trammel	Blaise	4-2 (Jones, Tadlock dissenting)
Recommend City Council that if the business being affected by their decision that those businesses be grandfathering in, to continue their operation	June 12, 2024	Tadlock	Jones	6-0
To consider a time limit for business to have time to enter into compliance instead of giving them special status	June 12, 2024	Myers	Trammel	6-0

To develop standards to be incorporated into the Design Manual	June 11, 2024	Trammel	Blaise	6-0
Recommend approval of the Harbor CRA Master Plan Final Draft to CRA Board for their consideration.	Nov. 13, 2024	Trammel	Jones	6-0

**10. Committee Work Plans:**

Work Plan Title	Work Plan Creator	Approved by Committee	Presented to Council
N/A			

**11. Committee Members & Attendance:**

Member	Appointed By	Term expiration
Jim Green (Chair)	King	11/24
Sandy Trammel (v. Chair)	Herbert	11/24
Mike Buckingham	Destin	11/24
Christian Meyers	Sweetser/Stephens	11/24
Casey Jones	Geile	11/26
Guy Tadlock	Bagby	11/26
Ian Blaise	Schmidt	11/24

Meeting Date	Attended	Not Attended
January 2024	No Meeting	No Meeting
February 2024	No Meeting	No Meeting
March,2024	No Meeting	No Meeting
April 2024	No Meeting	No Meeting
May 2024	No Meeting	No Meeting
June 12, 2024	Jim Green, Sandy Trammel, Christian Myers, Casey Jones, Guy Tadlock, Ian Blaise	Mike Buckingham
July 2024	No Meeting	No Meeting
August 2024	No Meeting	No Meeting
September 2024	No Meeting	No Meeting
October 2024	No Meeting	No Meeting
November 13, 2024	Jim Green, Sandy Trammel, Casey Jones, Guy Tadlock	Mike Buckingham, Christian Myers, Ian Blaise
December 2024	No Meeting	No Meeting