

Waveland Redevelopment Commission

PROPOSAL

Mission Statement

To promote private development, redevelopment and rehabilitation within the urban renewal area to help create jobs, tax revenue, and self-sustaining vital and vibrant commercial districts.

Purpose

The City of Waveland's Redevelopment Commission (WRC) will be responsible for:

- Preparing and implementing plans, programs and projects that address the community development and economic needs for the city.
- Providing support for existing businesses and build public and private investment partnerships that foster economic, cultural and social growth.
- Working under the policy guidance of the Mayor and Board of Alderman to accomplish related outcomes through the use of federal, state and local programs.
- Utilizing funding sources which are intended to promote economic development and future growth within the city.

GOALS

- Implement the redevelopment plan for the Coleman Ave. Business District, the Highway 90 Business corridor, the Kiln-Waveland Cut-off area and other designated neighborhood commercial areas.
- Identify, define, and prioritize development target areas.
- Match development and funding opportunities for designated priority locations.
- Promote coordination, cooperation, and communication among federal, state and local agencies

GOALS

- Work with private developers through city departments to minimize challenges during construction.
- Take an active lead by being a partner, or participant with other agencies and entities to implement the goals and objectives outlined in the plan.
- Assist the city in establishing, maintaining and the enhancement of community assets that attract business, industry, residents, workforce, and visitors.
- Provide the full range of high-quality infrastructure elements necessary to support business and industry growth, retention and attraction.
- Partner with Pearl River Community College, The University of Southern Mississippi and other educational campuses to assist in providing workforce development to our citizens.

Objective 1

The WRC will assist in meeting the city's economic development objectives through:

- Rehabilitating older and existing structures
- Redeveloping of key sites
- Improving transportation
- Assisting with the construction of needed public facilities
- Creating public amenities

Objective 2

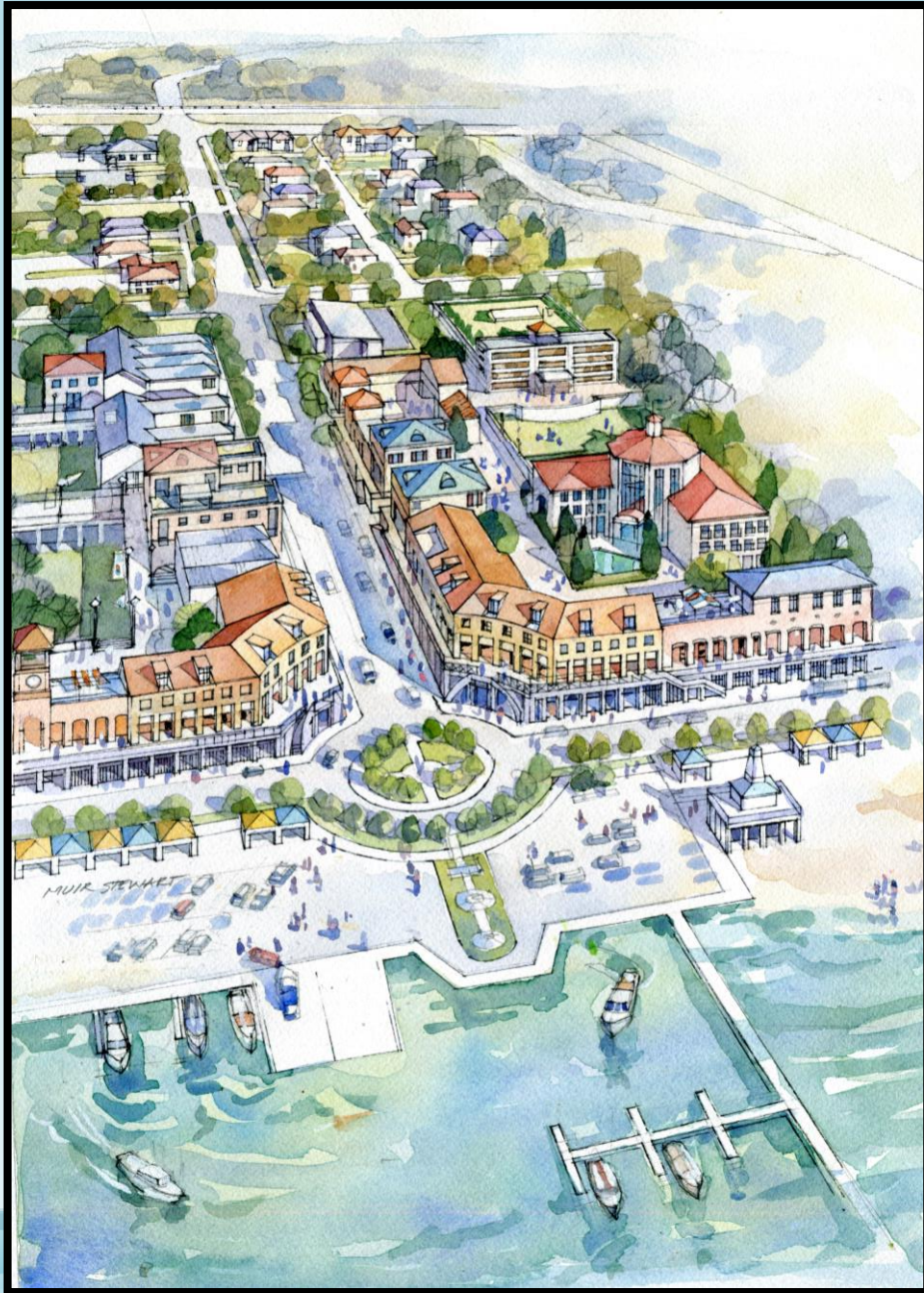
The WRC will:

- Pursue aggressive development partnerships between the public and private sectors
- Provide direct liaison and support to business prospects
- Implement services that support and stimulate business growth, community investment and development

Objective 3

The WRC will:

- Promote and implement projects of opportunity, acting as a catalyst to develop areas that have shown a cessation of growth and lack of development.
- Support techniques including real estate acquisition, site preparation and providing public infrastructure to eligible site.
- Use financing resources such as Tax Incremental Financing (TIF), Tourism Enhancement Funds, and Redevelopment General Obligation Bonds.



The Coleman Ave. Rendering
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