



THE SUNRISE CITY
FORT PIERCE
PLANNING DEPARTMENT
Florida

TO: Fort Pierce Planning Board

FROM: Rebecca Grohall, AICP Planning Director

RE: Recommendation to sell City Property located at 500 Orange Ave

DATE: December 6, 2016

As provided for in the Land Development Code, Section 2-223 (4) Planning Staff are requesting the Planning Board review and provide a recommendation regarding the disposal of City Property located at 500 Orange Ave.

Known as the former Post Office, this structure is on the National Register of Historic Places. With the designation, the exterior cannot be modified from its architectural style. Repairs or replacement for exterior alterations must be in keeping with the Secretary of Interior Standards for historic preservation. The interior was stripped all fixtures when the Post Office moved out and has remained vacant since being deeded to the City in 2002. The mural, Osceola Holding Court, that was hanging in the former foyer of the Post Office now graces the first floor of City Hall. The mural will remain with the City.

This property was identified as surplus property on April 18, 2016 by the City Commission through Resolution. The property has been marketed and several offers were received. Prior to the City Commission adopting a Resolution authorizing its sale, the Planning Board should provide their recommendation on its sale.

Staff Recommendation:

Staff recommends the Planning Board review and forwards a recommendation for **approval** of the proposed sale of 500 Orange Ave. to the City Commission.