



Historic Preservation Commission Meeting Agenda Item Submittal

Item To Be Considered: **Historic Resilience Project: Step 1. Identify Flood-Hazard Areas in the Community**

Board Meeting Date: **January 17, 2024**

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Overview: On December 7, 2023, two Swansboro Historic Preservation Commission members and staff attended the Historic Resilience Workshop held by the NC School of Government and at the December 19, 2023, Swansboro Historic Preservation Commission meeting, the commission expressed interest and a motion was made to bring back an outline of the first step in this process.

One of the resources provided during that workshop, “A Handbook for Historic Resilience Community Planning” outlines a step-by-step guide for communities to follow for this process. Step 1 is to identify which parts of the community or historic district are most vulnerable to flooding. This step provides the needed data to complete step 2, which is to identify the historic resources where are at the greatest risk in these vulnerable areas. Within this first step, communities should create a simple hazard analysis by rating this vulnerable area using a “flood-hazard scoring system”. See attachment from book for detailed example.

Background Attachment(s): Pg. 5-8 from “A Handbook for Historic Resilience Community Planning”

Recommended Action: Discuss details of Step 1 and make a motion to direct staff to complete or appoint a subcommittee to complete Step 1.

Action: _____

