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September 27, 2023

Peggy Sidman, Director, Council Secretary
The Honorable Michael Boylan, NCSPHS Chair
The Honorable Ju’Coby Pittman, TEU Chair
And Members of the City Council
117 West Duval Street
Jacksonville, Florida 32202

RE: Historic Preservation Commission Advisory Report / Ordinance No. 2023-616 / Proposed Naming of a Future Marina at 330 East Bay St

Dear Director Sidman, Honorable Council Member and NCSPHS Chair Boylan, Honorable Council Member and TEU Chair Pittman, and Honorable Members of the City Council:

Pursuant to Sections 122.105(b) and (c), Ordinance Code, the Historic Preservation Section forwards the attached Report and the Historic Preservation Commission’s Advisory Recommendation regarding Ordinance 2023-616, the proposed naming of a future marina to the “Hans G. Tanzler, Jr. Marina.”

JHPC Recommendation:	6-0 APPROVE
Jack C. Demetree, Chair	Aye
Andres Lopera, Vice-Chair	Aye
Ethan Gregory, Secretary	Aye
Julia Epstein	Aye
Maxmillian Glober	Aye
Michael Montoya	Absent
Olivia Frick	Aye

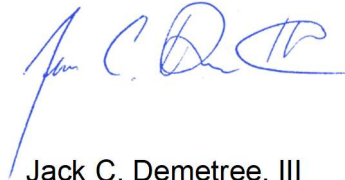
Based on the best evidence available, the Jacksonville Historic Preservation Commission recommends approval of the proposed naming of a future marina to the “Hans G. Tanzler, Jr. Marina.”

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at your convenience.

Sincerely,



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**Report of the Historic Preservation Section and
Advisory Recommendation of the Jacksonville Historic Preservation Commission**

TO: Council Secretary, Jacksonville City Council

THROUGH: Chairperson and Members
Jacksonville Historic Preservation Commission

FROM: Arimus Wells, City Planner Supervisor – Planning and Development

RE: **Proposed Naming of New Marina at 330 East Bay St – Ordinance No. 2023-616**

DATE: September 27, 2023

On September 12, 2023, Ordinance 2023-616 was introduced to propose naming the future marina located at 330 East Bay Street as the “Hans G. Tanzler, Jr. Marina” Consistent with Chapter 122.105 of the Jacksonville Ordinance Code the naming and renaming of public buildings, public facilities and public parks, requires a Report from the Historic Preservation Section and an advisory recommendation on the renaming proposal from the Jacksonville Historic Preservation Commission. The Report is required to address the following criteria:

1. The origin of the existing public building, public facility, or public park name, if applicable;
2. Any historical significance of the existing public building, public facility or public park;
3. Whether there are any historical structures or landmarks on the subject property
4. Whether the existing building name, name of public facility, or public park name is part of a common theme of names throughout the community where such building, park or facility is located;
5. The age of the public building, public facility or public park name
6. Whether there are other public buildings, public facilities, or public parks with the same or similar name; and
7. Whether the person (or persons) to whom the public building, public facility or public park is proposed to be named or renamed has contributed to the development of, or is a reminder of the history and/or culture of the City, State, or Nation.

Location: 330 East Bay Street, Portion of RE# 073358-0000

Reason for Change: At the request of City Council to honor the life and legacy of former Jacksonville Mayor Hans G. Tanzler, Jr. by naming the future marina located at 330 East Bay Street as the “Hans G. Tanzler, Jr. Marina.”

Criteria:

1. The origin of the existing public building, public facility, or public park name, if applicable:

The former site of the Duval County Courthouse parking lot (now demolished), the subject property is currently an undeveloped body of water.

2. Any historical significance of the existing public building, public facility or public park:

The subject property is currently an undeveloped body of water and thereby does not possess any historical significance.

3. Whether there are any historical structures or landmarks on the subject property:

The subject property does not consist of any locally designated or nationally designated historical structures or landmarks.

4. Whether the existing building name, name of public facility, or public park name is part of a common theme of names throughout the community where such building, park or facility is located:

The subject property is currently an undeveloped body of water and thereby does not have a formally designated name.

5. The age of the public building, public facility or public park name:

The former site of the Duval County Courthouse parking lot (now demolished), the subject property is currently an undeveloped body of water.

6. Whether there are other public buildings, public facilities, or public parks with the same or similar name:

There are no other public buildings, public facilities, or public parks with the same or similar name.

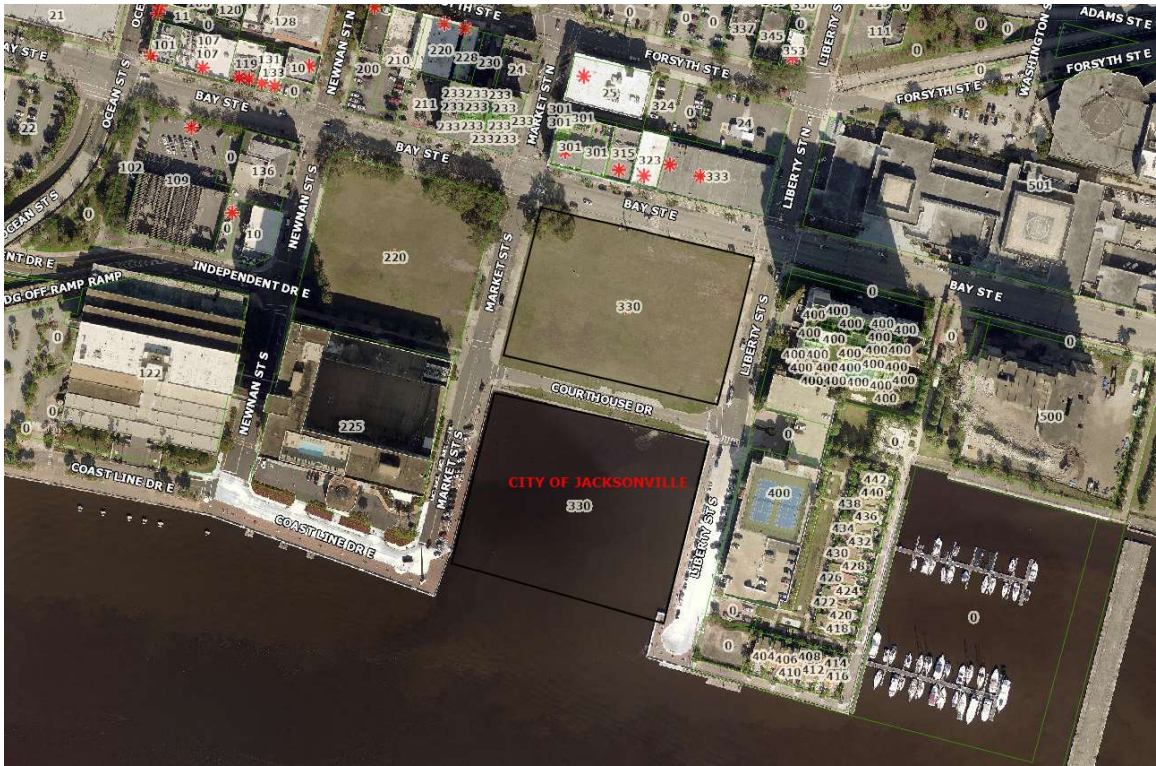
7. Whether the person (or persons) to whom the public building, public facility or public park is proposed to be named or renamed has contributed to the development of, or is a reminder of the history and/or culture of the City, State, or Nation:

Hans G. Tanzler, Jr, a Jacksonville native, was born on March 11, 1927. He graduated from Robert E. Lee High School (present day Riverside High School) and earned his bachelor's and Juris Doctor degrees from the University of Florida. Mr. Tanzler would go on to practice law for a number of years, both privately and publicly as a Criminal Court Judge. In 1967, Judge Tanzler was elected mayor of the City of Jacksonville. During his time as mayor, Tanzler would navigate the City through its new consolidated government. As the last mayor of the old city government and the first mayor of consolidated Jacksonville, Mr. Tanzler helped lower taxes, streamline public services, resurface more than 300 miles of streets, and reorganize the City's health and welfare services.

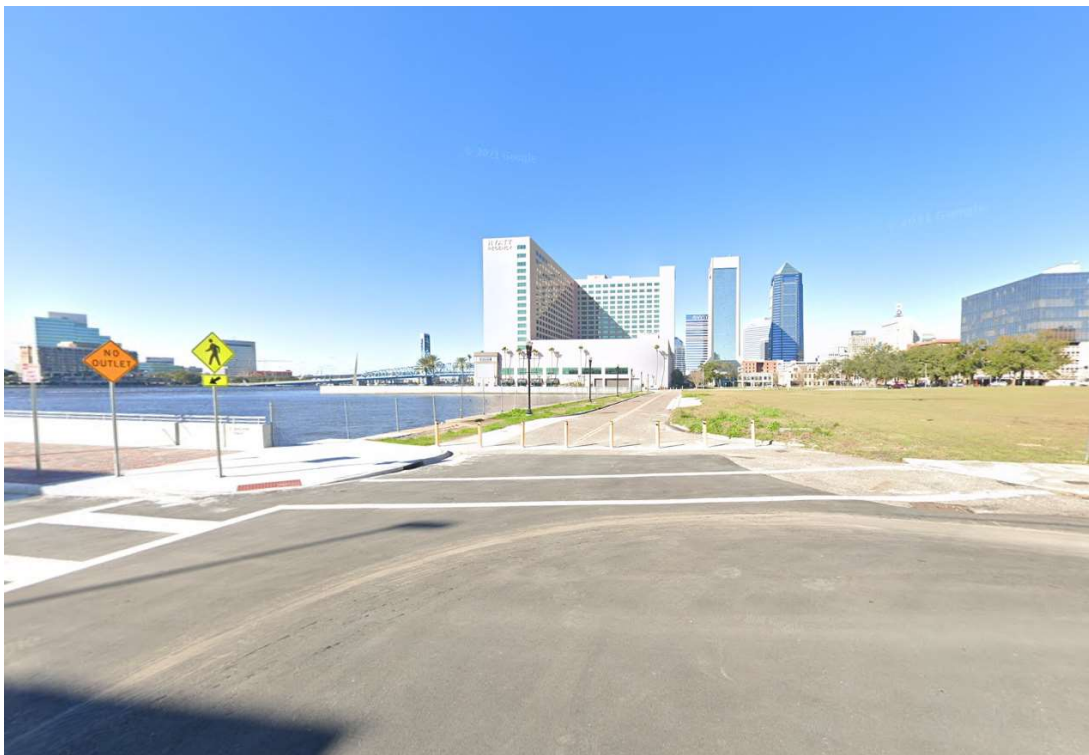
Besides being instrumental in cleaning up the St. Johns River, Mayor Tanzler also served as a beacon of unity in the new consolidated government by providing more job opportunities for black individuals and desegregating various government agencies.

PDD Recommendation:

It is the opinion of the Planning and Development Department (PDD) that the proposed naming of the future marina located at 330 East Bay Street as the "Hans G. Tanzler, Jr. Marina" will be named after a person that has made significant contributions to the development of the city as outlined in Ordinance 2023-616.



Aerial View of Subject Property



View of the Subject Property, Facing West on South Liberty Street