

**CITY OF GAUTIER
MEMORANDUM**

To: Samantha Abell, City Manager
From: Patty Huffman, Grants & Projects Manager
Through: Eric Meyer, Director of Economic Development and Planning Dept.
Date: May 4, 2012
Subject: Neighborhood Sign Program- College Park

REQUEST:

The Economic Development and Planning Department requests City Council approval for the Neighborhood Sign Project application for the College Park neighborhood.

BACKGROUND:

City Council approved \$10,000 in the FY2011-2012 Cultural Support budget for a Neighborhood Sign Project. An estimate of \$1,440.00 per sign was developed for the applications based on a quote for a sample 3' x 4' oval professional sign.

DISCUSSION:

College Park currently has brick work on either side of the entrance. One side of the existing wall has been demolished. The neighbors would like to restore the original look of their entranceway by repairing the brick wall, painting the brick, and adding painted lettering. The nearby De La Forest neighborhood is also planning to restore their former brick sign. The De La Forest neighbors have made arrangements for the brick work for their project and the proposed repair work at College Park to be completed by the same person at a reduced cost. The work on the College Park sign will be completed at the same time. The College Park sign is estimated at \$500.00 for labor and \$600.00 for bricks and mortar for a total of \$1,100.00 which is below the \$1,440.00 estimated cost for the signs. Margaret Tucker, Neighborhood Improvement Coordinator, will work with the participating neighborhoods and Gautier Pride to select and install appropriate signage as needed. The neighbors have agreed to install and maintain their new sign and provide landscaping.

RECOMMENDATION:

Economic Development and Planning Department staff recommends that City Council approve the application as proposed.

The City Council may:

1. Approve the revised Neighborhood Sign Program application for the College Park neighborhood;
2. Approve the proposed application with changes; or
3. Disapprove the proposed application.

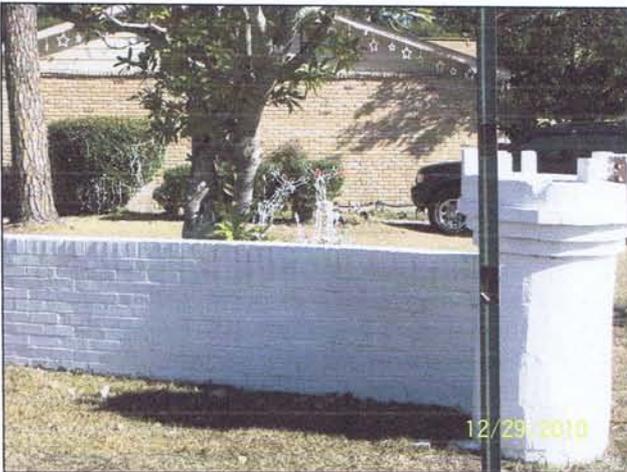
ATTACHMENT(S):

Photos of existing entranceway

COLLEGE PARK NEIGHBORHOOD:



Brick wall to be replaced at College Park, landscaping and painted letters to be added.



Opposite side of the street