



# CITY OF APALACHICOLA

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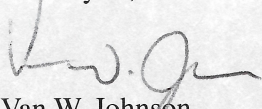
Dear Chairman Gaetz,

With this letter, the City of Apalachicola is asking to modify the scope of the \$1,100,000 Port of Apalachicola project awarded last year (Application No. 26). We are requesting the Triumph board temporarily suspend funding of that portion of the grant pertaining to the renovation/construction of the "Popham" Apalachicola Maritime Museum and Wooden Boat Academy in the amount of \$533,000. As the board is probably already aware, the October 10, 2018 Hurricane Michael substantially damaged the Popham Building to the point that the requested funding may not be sufficient to cover the costs of renovation to this historic waterfront building. The City is currently in contact with engineers to determine how best to proceed with the renovation in light of the additional hurricane damage and we will keep the board apprised of our progress.

However, the City is ready to proceed with the \$567,000 Scipio Creek Commercial Basin and Boat Yard component.

Please review and advise staff on what steps will be necessary to modify our contract agreement so that we may move forward with the Scipio Creek Commercial Basin portion of the project.

Thank you,



Van W. Johnson  
Mayor, City of Apalachicola