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Purpose of HPD

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I am attaching the very first 1972 HPD purpose statement and the most recent(current) HPD purpose statement. The old one is a paragraph;the new one is a numbered list. Look at #3 and 4 in the new one. What is true of both is that the main purpose is to protect the history and culture of the town.

The signs leading here from highways urge people to visit the HISTORIC waterfront.

The tasteless bench suggested for the town belongs nowhere in the HPD.

To view a great installation honoring our merged histories , view the display at the La Conner Mid and High School.

Also visit the mrsc site to see a list of all the things that the money can be used for and the tip to small towns that even small towns can create a community committee to oversee the expenditures

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Thanks.

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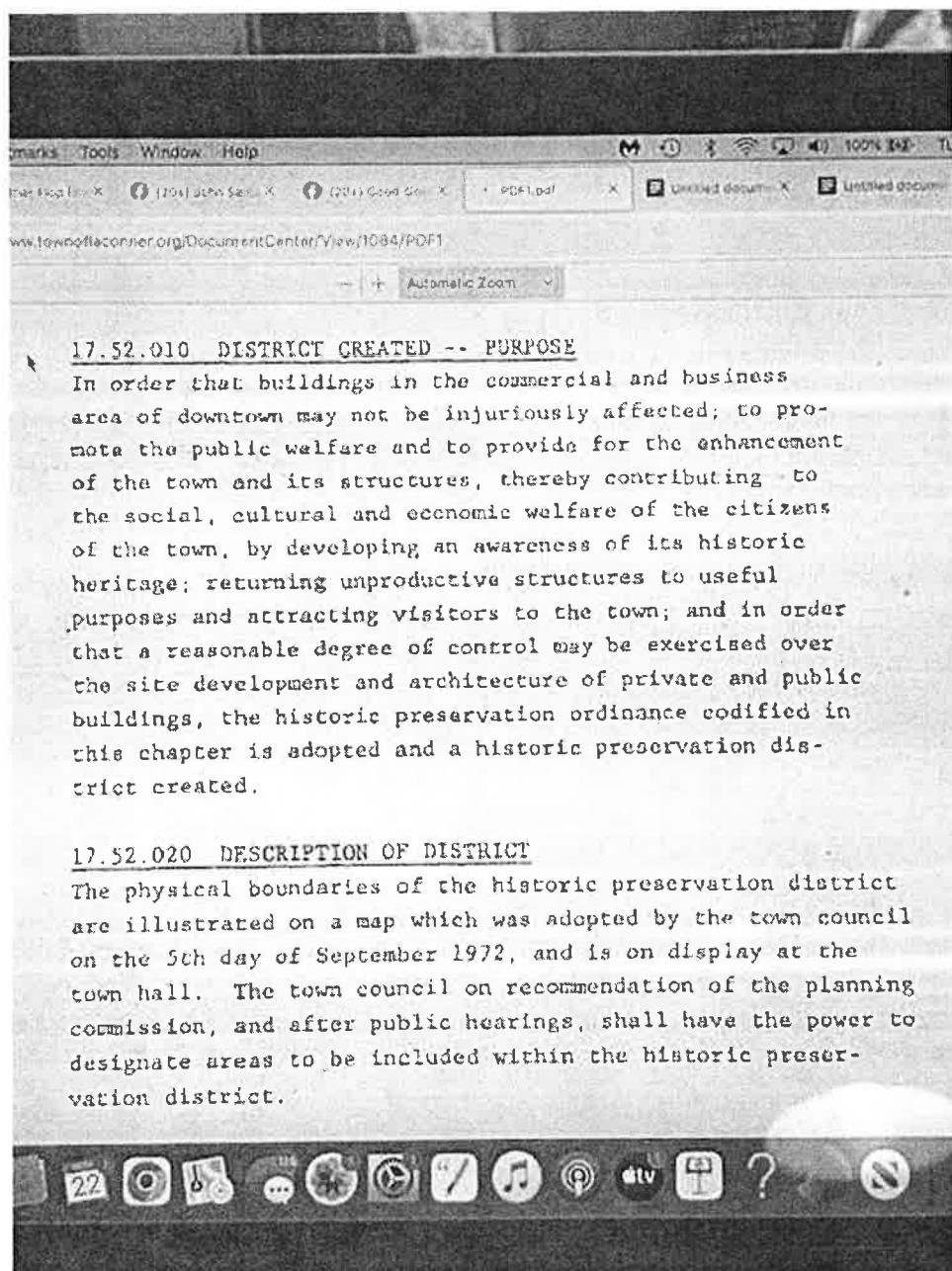
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17.52.010 DISTRICT CREATED -- PURPOSE

In order that buildings in the commercial and business area of downtown may not be injuriously affected; to promote the public welfare and to provide for the enhancement of the town and its structures, thereby contributing to the social, cultural and economic welfare of the citizens of the town, by developing an awareness of its historic heritage; returning unproductive structures to useful purposes and attracting visitors to the town; and in order that a reasonable degree of control may be exercised over the site development and architecture of private and public buildings, the historic preservation ordinance codified in this chapter is adopted and a historic preservation district created.

17.52.020 DESCRIPTION OF DISTRICT

The physical boundaries of the historic preservation district are illustrated on a map which was adopted by the town council on the 5th day of September 1972, and is on display at the town hall. The town council on recommendation of the planning commission, and after public hearings, shall have the power to designate areas to be included within the historic preservation district.



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Article I. General Provisions

15.50.010 Purpose.

1. Provide for the identification and protection of structures and sites within the town that reflect special element architectural, artistic, aesthetic, historical, economic, and social heritage;
2. Facilitate restoration and upkeep of historic structures;
3. Encourage public knowledge and appreciation of the town's history and culture;
4. Foster community pride and sense of identity based on recognition and use of historic resources;
5. Preserve diverse architectural styles reflecting phases of the town's history and encourage complimentary de construction impacting historic resources;
6. Enhance property values and increase economic benefits to the town and its residents;
7. Identify and resolve conflicts between the preservation of historic structures and alternative land uses;
8. Integrate the requirements for historic preservation into the development review process.
9. Ensure that new construction and additions respect the scale, forms and proportions of the Historic Preser

[Ord. 755 § 3, 1999; Ord. 671 § 3.8.A,

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