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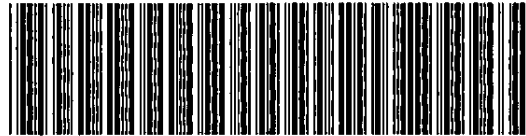
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SUBJECT: FORT MEADE NEIGHBORHOOD DEVELOPMENT PROJECT,
INCORPORATED
Ref. Number: W14000044372

We have received your document for FORT MEADE NEIGHBORHOOD DEVELOPMENT PROJECT, INCORPORATED and your check(s) totaling \$78.75. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

The document must contain a registered agent with a Florida street address and a signed statement of acceptance. (i.e. I hereby am familiar with and accept the duties and responsibilities of Registered Agent.)

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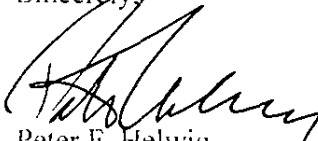
Re: Fort Meade Neighborhood Development Project, Incorporated
Ref. No. W14000044372

Greetings:

This will respond to your letter of July 18, 2014.

Enclosed is an original and one copy of the Articles of Incorporation, along with an addendum signed by the Registered Agent, responding to the issue raised in your letter. We previously submitted a check for \$78.75 to cover the filing fee and Certificate of Status.

Sincerely,



Peter F. Helwig
Board Certified Labor & Employment Lawyer
E-mail: pwhelwig@tampabay.rr.com

**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF
Fort Meade Neighborhood Development Project, Incorporated
(A Corporation Not For Profit)**

The undersigned subscribers of these Articles of Incorporation, each a natural person competent to contract, hereby voluntarily associate themselves together to form a Corporation Not For Profit, under the laws of the State of Florida, and do hereby certify:

ARTICLE I - NAME

The name of this Corporation is Fort Meade Neighborhood Development Project, Incorporated. The initial address of the principal office of the Corporation is 108 SW 3rd Street, Fort Meade, Florida 33841.

ARTICLE II - PURPOSE

The purpose for which this corporation is formed is to assist residents in the community regardless of race, color, religion, handicap, sex, or nationality in cooperatively meeting their needs for better health, education, recreation, social services, home life, economic business opportunities, human relations, and other areas deemed appropriate by the Board of Directors, so long as such activities are of a kind permitted as hereafter amended permitted to be engaged in by a non-profit corporation organized under Chapter 617 of the Florida Statutes as it now exists or as hereafter amended and so long as such activities are of a kind permitted to be engaged in by a corporation exempt from taxation under 501 (C)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 as it now exists or at hereafter amended.

The activities of the corporation shall include activities on Martin Luther King, Jr. Street (Fort Meade, FL) to promote the spirit, belief and goals of his dream, including, but not be limited to the following:

- create a multi-purpose community center under the name of the Neighborhood Development Project, Inc.
- sponsor neighborhood entertainment and cultural events
- provide neighborhood access to the world wide web
- sponsor of outdoor recreational activities and competitive athletic teams
- provide an indoor meeting space for residents
- instruct and provide all appropriate materials and supplies for development of artistic skills and the humanities
- Instruct and provide all appropriate materials and supplies for young children in cultural arts
- sponsor of senior citizens' activities
- sponsor an adventure club

- instruct and provide all appropriate materials and supplies for classes in personal development
- educate residents about their civic rights and responsibilities
- build relationships with the ministerial community toward the betterment of Fort Meade.
- develop partnerships with the City of Fort Meade government, the Chamber of Commerce and other pertinent organizations.
- Encourage housing development and rehabilitation in Fort Meade's community
- promote the creation of neighborhood block associations for community improvement
- build relationships with members of all other ethnic groups in the community
- sponsor an annual awards banquet designed to recognize individuals who have worked towards the betterment of the community
- seek and accept funds, in kind contributions, charitable contributions and other resources to fulfill this mission.

In addition, the corporation may carry on such other activities as may be deemed appropriate by the Board of Directors, so long as such activities are of a kind permitted to be engaged in by a non-profit corporation organized under Chapter 617 of the Florida Statutes as it now exists or as hereafter amended and so long as such activities are of a kind permitted to be engaged in by a corporation exempt from taxation under Section 501 (C)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 as it now exists or as hereafter amended.

ARTICLE III- - QUALIFICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

Fort Meade Residents and Non- Resident Property Owners and other interested members of the community and those persons who subscribe to the objectives and purposes of this Corporation are qualified for Membership. Membership shall be admitted upon application for membership and approval of their application by the Corporation as provided in the By-Laws.

ARTICLE IV - TERM

This Corporation shall have perpetual existence.

ARTICLE V - SUBSCRIBERS

The names and residences of the Subscribers hereto are as follows:

NAMES	ADDRESS
E. J. King	108 SW 3 rd Street Fort Meade FL 33841
May Williams	212 SE 6 th Street Fort Meade FL 33841
Sheila L. McMillan	809 South Morrison Avenue

Fort Meade Florida 33841

Dorothy Lewis

810 South Morrison Avenue
Fort Meade FL 33841

ARTICLE VI - OFFICERS

Section 1. The officers of the Corporation shall be a:

President	E. J. King
VicePresident	May Williams
Secretary	Sheila L. McMillan
Treasurer	Dorothy Lewis

Who shall hold office until their successors are duly elected and shall have qualified, and such other officers as may be provided for in the By-laws.

Section 2. The officers shall be elected by the Board of Directors from their own members at the first meeting of the Board of Directors following the annual meeting of the Corporation or as provided in the By-laws.

Section 3. Interim vacancies in the officers of the Corporation shall be filled by the Board of Directors as provided in the By-Laws.

ARTICLE VII - DIRECTORS

Section 1. The business affairs of this Corporation shall be managed by a Board of Directors consisting of not less than seven (7) or more than twenty-five (25) members. The number of Directors may be increased from time to time, by the By-Laws, but shall never be less than five (5).

Section 2. The Board of Directors shall be residents of Fort Meade and/or non-resident property owners.

Section 3. Members of the Board of Directors shall be elected and hold office in accordance with the By-Laws.

Section 4. Interim vacancies in the elected members of the Board of Directors shall be filled by the Board to serve the unexpired term, or as provided in the By-Laws.

Section 5. The names of the persons who are to serve as Directors until their successors are duly -elected and shall have qualified are:

NAME	ADDRESS
E. J. King	108 SW 3 rd Street Fort Meade FL 33841
May Williams	212 SE 6 th Street Fort Meade FL 33841
Sheila L. McMillan	809 South Morrison Avenue Fort Meade Florida 33841
Dorothy Lewis	810 South Morrison Avenue Fort Meade FL 33841
Vivian Robinson	810 South Morrison Avenue Fort Meade FL 33841
Ella Mae McMillan	809 South Morrison Avenue Fort Meade FL 33841
Hilda Louise Rogers	105 SW 3 rd Street Fort Meade FL 33841
Eddie Wilcher	16 SW 6 th Street Fort Meade FL 33841
Austin Alexander	219 SE 7 th Street Fort Meade FL 33841
Franklin Davidson	1175 Gause Avenue Bartow FL 33830
Lester Bell	301 SE 3 rd Street Fort Meade FL 33841
Joseph Nelson	708 South Pine Avenue Fort Meade FL 33841
Steven McKenzie	414 South Seminole Avenue Fort Meade FL 33841

ARTICLE VIII - BY-LAWS

Section 1. The By-laws of the Corporation shall be made, altered, amended or rescinded at the annual meeting of the Corporation by a two-thirds vote of those voting in person. All amendments brought before the annual meeting must be submitted to the Board of Directors in writing form at least one (1) month prior to the annual meeting.

ARTICLE IX - ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

Amendments to the Articles of Incorporation may be proposed by any member of the Corporation in writing, and upon affirmative vote by two-thirds of the Board of Directors

recommending the adoption of same, said amendment shall be submitted to a vote of the membership.

Any such meeting of the Corporation's membership shall be preceded by seven days with written notice to all members. Upon approval of a proposed amendment by two-thirds of the membership present at such meeting, and the filing thereof with the Secretary of State, any such proposed amendment shall become effective.

ARTICLE X - NON-PROFIT STATUS

No part of the net earnings of the Corporation shall be used to insure the benefit of any individual or member.

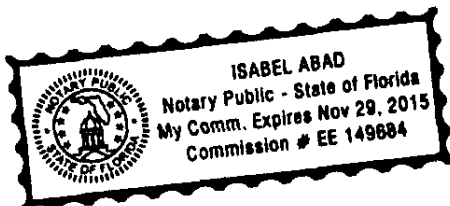
ARTICLE XI - DISSOLUTION

Should this Corporation be dissolved, other than incident to merger or consolidation, the assets of the Corporation shall be dedicated, granted, conveyed and assigned to any non-profit public or private agency, corporation, association, trust or similar organization devoted to and used for purposes similar to those for which this Corporation was created, so long as said grant, dedication, conveyance or assignment shall not be inconsistent with Section 501 (C) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954.

IN WITNESSES WHEREOF, we, the undersigned subscriber, incorporators have hereunto set our hands and seal this 7 day of July 2014 for the purpose of forming this corporation not for profit under the laws of the State of Florida.

ES King
May Williams
Sheila L McMillan
Dorothy Lewis

Sworn unto me this 7th day of July, 2014
by ES King, May Williams, Sheila McMillan and
Dorothy Lewis. Showing Proof of Identity with
their Driver license.



Isabel Abad
Isabel Abad

STATE OF FLORIDA:

COUNTY OF POLK:

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this day, before me, an officer duly authorized to take acknowledgements, personally appeared E.J. King, May Williams, Sheila L. McMillan, and Dorothy Lewis to me well known to the subscribers to the foregoing Articles of Incorporation of the Fort Meade Neighborhood Development Project, Incorporated, who, being by me, first duly sworn, acknowledged that they signed the same for the purpose therein expressed.

WITNESS my hand and seal at Fort Meade, Florida, this 7 day of July

2014.

Isabel Abad


Notary



Addendum to Articles of Incorporation of
Fort Meade Neighborhood Development Project, Incorporated

Acceptance of Appointment as Registered Agent

I, E.J. King, am familiar with and I hereby accept the duties and responsibilities of
Registered Agent of Fort Meade Neighborhood Development Project, Incorporated.



E.J. King
108 SW 3rd Street
Ft. Meade, Florida 33841

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