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Commissioner,

Would like to get your OK (or direction) on a decision regarding the Baldwin Hotel stairs.

We were pleased to learn that the fire marshal said we could do without the stairs under certain conditions, such as limiting the size of our tour groups to six, improving our other fire escape routes, etc.

We think the total cost of improvements will be a small fraction of what the stairs would cost, guessing probably \$20,000 or less.

And since we never used the stairs to begin with, we'd rather not spend the money on replacing them.

We try to never have more than six people in a group anyway, so we're fine with that limitation.

Museum Advisory Board today had no objection to the plan.

Let me know if you think we're ok with this decision, or if it should go before the BOCC.

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We're hoping that if the BOCC is willing, they might cover the cost of the required improvements to comply with the fire marshal's order, and consider applying the remainder to the overhaul of the main museum's geothermal system, which would include retiring the 85-year-old boiler in the basement.

Thanks,

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