

City of Coral Gables

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Coral Gables, FL 33134
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Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, November 20, 2024

4:00 PM

Police and Fire Headquarters, Community Meeting Room

Historic Preservation Board

Chairperson Michael J. Maxwell
Vice Chairperson Alejandro Silva
Board Member Ana Alvarez
Board Member Javier Banos
Board Member Michelle Cuervo Dunaj
Board Member Xavier F. Durana
Board Member Cesar Garcia-Pons
Board Member Margaret Rolando
Board Member Dona Spain

The Historic Preservation Board will be holding its Regular Meeting on November 20, 2024, commencing at 4:00 pm EST.

Pursuant to Resolution No. 2021-118, the City of Coral Gables has returned to traditional in-person meetings.

Accordingly, any individual wishing to provide sworn testimony shall be present physically in the Commission Chambers. However, the Historic Preservation Board has established the ability for the public to provide comments (non-sworn and without evidentiary value) virtually.

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I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

Present: 8- Board Member Cuervo Dunaj, Board Member Durana, Board Member Alvarez, Board Member Banos, Board Member Spain, Vice Chairperson Silva, Chairperson Maxwell and Board Member Garcia-Pons

Excused: 1- Board Member Rolando

III. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

IV. CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

V. PUBLIC HEARING

VI. LOCAL HISTORIC DESIGNATIONS

1. [24-8330](#) CASE FILE LHD 2024-005: Consideration of the local historic designation of the property at **2530 (aka 2518) Ponce de Leon Boulevard**, legally described as Lot 27, Block 7, Coral Gables Crafts Section, according to the Plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 10, at Page 40, of the Public Records of Miami-Dade County, Florida.

Elizabeth Guin read from the Staff Report as the PowerPoint presentation played on screen.

Letters of Support Received by Staff:

Ileana Sayre, Jamie & Zully Pardo, Brett Gillis, Dolly MacIntyre, Vicki Cerda, Sandra L. Scidmore, Ellen Dyer, Joyce Nelson, Maribel Biamon, Joanne Meagher and Karelia Carbonell on behalf of the Historic Preservation Association of Coral Gables (Attached, EXHIBIT A).

A motion to was made by Board Member Dunaj, seconded by Board Member Banos, to approve the Local Historic Designation of the property at 2530 Ponce de Leon Boulevard based upon its historical, cultural and architectural significance, specifically criteria four, exemplifies historical, cultural, political, economic or social trends of the community; and specifically criteria one, portrays the environment in an era of history characterized by one or more distinctive architectural styles; in criteria two, embodies those distinguishing characteristic of an architectural style or period or method of construction. This motion passed by the following vote:

Yeas: 8- Board Member Cuervo Dunaj, Board Member Durana, Board Member Alvarez, Board Member Banos, Board Member Spain, Vice Chairperson Silva, Chairperson Maxwell and Board Member Garcia-Pons

Excused: 1- Board Member Rolando

2. [24-8331](#) CASE FILE LHD 2024-012: Consideration of the local historic designation of the property at **1432 Urbino Avenue**, legally described as Lot 11, Block 75, Coral Gables Riviera Section 5, according to the Plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 20, at Page 38, of the Public Records of Miami-Dade County, Florida.

Elizabeth Guin read from the Staff Report as the PowerPoint presentation played on screen.

For The Applicant:

Ana Maria Alas, Gonzalez Abreu/Alas Architects

Letters of Support Received by Staff:

Ileana Sayre, Jamie & Zully Pardo, Brett Gillis, Dolly MacIntyre, Vicki Cerda, Sandra L. Scidmore, Ellen Dyer, Joyce Nelson, Maribel Biamon, Joanne Meagher and Karelia Carbonell on behalf of the Historic Preservation Association of Coral Gables (Attached, EXHIBIT A).

A motion was made by Board Member Banos, seconded by Board Member Durana, to approve the Local Historic Designation of the property at 1432 Urbino Avenue (legally described as Lot 11, Block 75, Coral Gables Riviera Section Part 5) based on meeting the three criteria found in the Coral Gables Zoning code, Article A, Section A-103, section four, exemplifies the historical, cultural, political, economic and social trends of the community; architectural significance one, portrays an environment and area of history characterized by one or more distinctive architectural styles and two, embodies those distinguishing characteristics of architectural style or period or method of construction, and inclusive all of the information and all details in the Staff's report. This motion passed by the following vote:

Yeas: 8- Board Member Cuervo Dunaj, Board Member Durana, Board Member Alvarez, Board Member Banos, Board Member Spain, Vice Chairperson Silva, Chairperson Maxwell and Board Member Garcia-Pons

Excused: 1- Board Member Rolando

3. [24-8332](#) CASE FILE LHD 2024-011: Consideration of the local historic designation of the property at **525 Aragon Avenue**, legally described as Lot 19, Block 10, Coral Gables Section "B," according to the Plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 5, at Page 111, of the Public Records of Miami-Dade County, Florida.

Elizabeth Guin read from the Staff Report as the PowerPoint presentation played on screen.

For The Applicant:
Kathy-Ann Marlin, Gables Story

Letters of Support Received by Staff:
Ileana Sayre, Jamie & Zully Pardo, Brett Gillis, Dolly MacIntyre, Vicki Cerda, Sandra L. Scidmore, Ellen Dyer, Joyce Nelson, Maribel Biamon, Joanne Meagher and Karelia Carbonell on behalf of the Historic Preservation Association of Coral Gables (Attached, EXHIBIT A).

A motion was made by Board Member Banos, seconded by Board member Dunaj, to approve the Local Historic Designation of the property at 525 Aragon Avenue (legally described as Lot 19, Block 10, Section Coral Gables Section "B") based on its historical, cultural and architectural significance, specifically, on based Coral Gables Zoning Code, Article 8 Section 8-103, criteria four, exemplifies the historical, cultural, political, economic or social trends of the community; architectural criteria one, portrays the environment in an era of history characterized by one (1) or more distinctive architectural style and criteria two, embodies those distinguishing characteristics of an architectural style, or period, inclusive of the Staff Reports. This motion passed by the following vote:

Yeas: 8- Board Member Cuervo Dunaj, Board Member Durana, Board Member Alvarez, Board Member Banos, Board Member Spain, Vice Chairperson Silva, Chairperson Maxwell and Board Member Garcia-Pons

Excused: 1- Board Member Rolando

4. [24-8333](#) CASE FILE LHD 2023-012, for the consideration of the local historic designation of the property at **739 Aledo Avenue**, legally described as Lot 19 & the East 1/2 of Lot 20, Block 125, Coral Gables Country Club Section Part Six according to the Plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 20, at Page 1 of the Public Records of Miami-Dade County, Florida.

Anna Pernas read from the Staff Report as the PowerPoint presentation played on screen. The designation application was submitted by a Coral Gables resident.

Public Comment in Person:

Mari Lopez, Beneficiary and Attorney representing her aunt, property owner, Ms. Enciso,
Michael Chenoweth & Pamela Pierce

Letters of Support Received by Staff:

Ileana Sayre, Jamie & Zully Pardo, Brett Gillis, Dolly MacIntyre, Vicki Cerda, Sandra L. Scidmore, Ellen Dyer, Joyce Nelson, Maribel Biamon, Joanne Meagher and Karelia Carbonell on behalf of the Historic Preservation Association of Coral Gables (Attached, EXHIBIT A).

A motion was made by Board Member Spain, seconded by Board Member Silva, to approve the Local Historic Designation of the property at 739 Aledo Avenue based on its historical, cultural, and architectural significance, historical cultural significance criteria four, it exemplifies the historical, cultural, political, economic or social trends of the community, architectural significance criteria one and two, portrays the environment in an era of history characterized by one or more distinctive architectural style and criteria two, it embodies those distinguishing characteristics of an architectural style or period or method of construction. This motion passed by the following vote:

Yeas: 7 - Board Member Cuervo Dunaj, Board Member Durana, Board Member Alvarez, Board Member Banos, Board Member Spain, Vice Chairperson Silva and Chairperson Maxwell

Nays: 1 - Board Member Garcia-Pons

Excused: 1 - Board Member Rolando

VII. SPECIAL CERTIFICATES OF APPROPRIATENESS

1. [24-8334](#) CASE FILE COA (SP) 2024-033 an application for the issuance of a Special Certificate of Appropriateness for the property at **2523 Alhambra Circle** a Contributing Resource with the "Alhambra Circle Historic District," legally described as Lot 17, Block 11, Coral Gables Section D, according to the Plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 26, at Page 74, of the Public Records of Miami-Dade County, Florida. The application requests design approval for additions and alterations to the residence and sitework. Variances are being requested of the Coral Gables Zoning Code for Section 2-101 D (4)(b)(ii) to allow for a reduction and balcony projection into the side setback and Section 3-308(I) to allow for the pool to be closer to the street than the main residence.

Kara Kautz read from the Staff Report as the PowerPoint presentation played on screen.

On Behalf of the Applicant:

Rachel Streitfeld, Caldera Law

Jose Sanchez, Jose Sanchez Reyes Architects

A motion was made by Board member Silva, seconded by Board member Banos, to approve the design proposal for additions and alterations to the residence and sitework on the property located at 2523 Alhambra Circle, a Contributing Resource within the "Alhambra Circle Historic District," legally described as Lot 17, Block 11, Coral Gables Section "D," according to the Plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 26, at Page 74, of the Public Records of Miami-Dade County, Florida, and approve with the condition noted by Staff and the issuance of a Special Certificate of Appropriateness.

AND

A motion to approve a variance to allow the second floor balcony to project approximately three feet (3'-0") over the required fifteen feet (15'-0") side street setback where all Single-Family Residential building setbacks shall be as per the Coral Gables Zoning Code Article 2, Section 2-100 D (4)(b)(ii), Residential District Table and shall meet the following requirements: Side street: Fifteen feet (15'-0").

AND

A motion to approve a variance to allow for the swimming pool edge to have a side street setback of approximately ten feet, two inches (10'-2") vs. All Single-Family Residential building setbacks shall be as per Section 2-100, Residential Districts Table, and shall meet the following requirements: Side street: fifteen (15) feet as required by Article 2, Section 2-101 D (4) (b.ii) of the Coral Gables Zoning Code.

AND

A motion to approve a variance to allow the swimming pool to be located closer to the side street of a lot or building site than the main or principal building vs. In no case shall a swimming pool be located closer to the front or side street of a lot or building site than the main or principal building as per Article 3, Section 3-308 D (1) of the Coral Gables Zoning Code.

Yeas: 8- Board Member Cuervo Dunaj, Board Member Durana, Board Member Alvarez, Board Member Banos, Board Member Spain, Vice Chairperson Silva, Chairperson Maxwell and Board Member Garcia-Pons

Excused: 1- Board Member Rolando

2. [24-8335](#) CASE FILE COA (SP) 2024-032 an application for the issuance of a Special Certificate of Appropriateness for the property at **4200 Santa Maria Street** a Contributing Resource with the “Santa Maria Street Historic District,” legally described as Lots 14 & East 15'-0" Lot 13, Block 93, Coral Gables Country Club Section 5, according to the Plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 23, at Page 55, of the Public Records of Miami-Dade County, Florida. The application requests design approval for additions and alterations to the residence and sitework. A variance is being requested from Section 2-101 D (4) (c) of the Coral Gables Zoning Code for the minimum required rear setback for the construction of a new addition.

Kara Kautz read from the Staff Report as the PowerPoint presentation played on screen.

A motion was made by Board Member Garcia-Pons, seconded by Board member Banos, to approve the design proposal for additions and alterations to the residence and sitework on the property located at 4200 Santa Maria Street, and approve with the conditions noted above the issuance of a Special Certificate of Appropriateness.

AND

A motion to approve a variance to allow the addition a rear setback of eight feet eleven inches (8'-11") vs. the required ten feet (10'-0"). This motion passed by the following vote:

Yeas: 8- Board Member Cuervo Dunaj, Board Member Durana, Board Member Alvarez, Board Member Banos, Board Member Spain, Vice Chairperson Silva, Chairperson Maxwell and Board Member Garcia-Pons

Excused: 1- Board Member Rolando

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

1. **1414 Galiano Avenue - Appeal is scheduled to heard at the December City Commission meeting. Ms. Throckmorton will be available to give a short presentation to the City Commission.**
2. **City Hall RFQ - This was completed and assessment has been awarded and will be reviewed at the 12/10/24 City Commission meeting for approval.**
3. **City Hall Repairs – Staff continues to work with Public Works staff and the Structural Engineer’s team on a shoring plan for two exterior columns. Any plans that require alterations to the building will be circulated to the Board, as needed.**

IX. NEW BUSINESS

1. **Upcoming City Projects** - Staff requesting an additional 30 minute start time to the December meeting to discuss City Hall Window proposal. An email to confirm the meeting date and time will be circulated to the Board.
2. **Biltmore Hotel** – Staff provided a brief update on the next steps for the review of the unpermitted work completed at the Biltmore Hotel. City Attorney gave clarification of the City's role as the Property Owner and the lease agreement.

X. CITY COMMISSION ITEMS

XI. DISCUSSION ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT

This meeting was adjourned at 7:04 PM.

NOTE

EXHIBIT A

From: [Brett Gillis](#)
To: [Pernas, Anna](#)
Subject: 1432 Urbino & 525 Aragon
Date: Wednesday, November 20, 2024 2:14:00 AM

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Dear Ms Pernas and the Historic Preservation Board:

Please accept this letter in support of the historic designations of these two classic Coral Gables "Old Spanish" Mediterranean houses. These types of designs are the essence, the foundation of "The Gables."

I hope staff will work with the owners if they would like to get Cottage designation. Many times historic homeowners ask, "what is the benefit of being historic?" The incentives with the Cottages program help reward historic homeowners and actually result in better renovations and additions to historic homes. A win-win.

Given the other Mediterranean buildings you have designated, I do not see how you could, in good faith, turn these down.

Sincerely,

Brett Gillis, historian and preservationist

From: [Brett Gillis](#)
To: [Pernas, Anna](#)
Subject: 2530 Ponce letter
Date: Wednesday, November 20, 2024 2:05:45 AM

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Dear Ms Pernas and the Historic Preservation Board:

Thank you for noting in report that the original design and majority of the building was done by George Fink. (Mr Paist was a great architect, but this was not one of his original designs, though he did a small sympathetic addition later on. He has been credited for the overall design in word of mouth and a few articles over the years.)

This building is an excellent example of what Mr Merrick envisioned his primary commercial thoroughfare (Ponce de Leon Boulevard) would look like. Due to the 26 hurricane and the Great Depression it was never to be. Then, Miracle Mile became the major shopping destination. As such, this is one of the few remaining pieces of the original fabric of the Crafts Section. It's very important to preserve this visible reminder of Mr Fink's work and the vision for the Crafts Section.

This is one of the buildings I identified as important to save in the study on the Crafts Section that I completed earlier this year for the Historic Preservation Association and The Villagers. Given the other Mediterranean buildings you have designated, I do not see how you could, in good faith, turn this one down.

Sincerely,

Brett Gillis, historian and preservationist

From: [Dolly MacIntyre](#)
To: [Pernas, Anna](#)
Subject: Designations
Date: Monday, November 18, 2024 4:34:17 PM

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I wish to support the staff recommendations to designate the four properties on the Nov, 20th agenda. The staff has clearly done extensive research to back up its conclusions that the properties are eligible.

Dolly MacIntyre

Preservationist and former HEPB member

From: [zully pardo](#)
To: [Pernas, Anna](#); [Urquia, Billy](#)
Subject: Historic Designation: 4 properties Historic Preservation Board /Nov 20th, 2024
Date: Wednesday, November 20, 2024 9:07:15 AM

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Jaime & Zully Pardo
49 Campina Ct
Coral Gables, Fl. 33134

Dear Historic Preservation Board,

We support granting historical designation to four properties as per the recommendation of the city's historic resources department:

2530 Ponce De Leon Blvd
1432 Urbino Ave
525 Aragon Ave
739 Aledo Ave

We are so pleased to see our City's efforts to preserve our architectural heritage.

Sincerely,
Jaime & Zully Pardo

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Vicki Cerda](#)
To: [Pernas, Anna](#); [City Clerk](#); [Urquia, Billy](#)
Subject: My support for designating ALL 4 properties on the agenda at today's Historic Preservation Meeting
Date: Wednesday, November 20, 2024 11:05:16 AM

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Dear Members of the Historic Preservation Board,

I wish to express my support in granting historical designation to below FOUR properties as per the recommendation of the city's historic resources department:

2530 (aka 2518) Ponce de Leon Boulevard1

1432Urbino Avenue

525 Aragon Avenue

739 Aledo Avenue

ALL are unique, designed by prominent architects who were part of Merrick's original design team and significantly contribute to the historic fabric of the City of Coral Gables.

Please continue to preserve our historical heritage by designating all four. Thank you.

Vicki Cerda

1216 Asturia

From: [Brett Gillis](#)
To: [Pernas, Anna](#)
Subject: 739 Aledo
Date: Wednesday, November 20, 2024 2:35:34 AM

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Dear Ms Pernas and the Historic Preservation Board:

Please accept this letter in support of the historic designation of 739 Aledo.

This property is significant not only for its architecture as a Mediterranean Transitional home, but also for the period in which it was constructed and for its architects.

This home is beautiful in its simplicity and helped to transition what people call the "Old Spanish" look of Coral Gables, harmonizing with the 1920s built environment but taking the architecture of Coral Gables into a new era.

A few more points to mention about Jack Skinner (formally John). His mark on Coral Gables is indelible. George Merrick's name has stuck pretty well, as have the Finks and Phineas Paist, but not all the other greats are well known. The Skinners were right up there with the others and made significant contributions not only in the thematic villages but with several fine residences in the Gables. Jack Skinner became supervising architect when Phineas Paist died in 37. He was also the first known dean of the UM School of Architecture. He was very close to both Paist and arist-designer Denman Fink. Skinner and Denman Fink were neighbors by Venetian Pool. Richard Kiehnel and Jack Skinner were the only two Fellows of the American Institute of Architects at the time. This was the highest accolade for our local architects at the time. Alfred Browning Parker was later. Very few received this commendation. The only other major commendation received by a Gables architect was when the King of Spain knighted George Fink.

Given the other Mediterranean Transitional houses you have designated (including 2214 Segovia Circle that this board recently designated), I do not see how you could, in good faith, turn this one down.

Sincerely,

Brett Gillis, historian and preservationist

From: [IC Sayre](#)
To: [Pernas, Anna](#); [City Clerk](#); [Urquia, Billy](#)
Subject: Support for Historic Designation
Date: Monday, November 18, 2024 4:20:34 PM

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Dear Members of the Historic Preservation Board,

We are a finite community of architectural authenticity. Although it may seem that (nearly) 100 years is not very old considering the age of ancient cities, modern development and its disposable sameness is fast encroaching on our small community. We must preserve what has been accomplished here and that includes intentional design, originality, artisan craftsmanship, human dimension, and beauty.

I wish to express my support in granting historical designation to FOUR properties as per the recommendation of the city's historic resources department:

2530 (aka [2518](#)) Ponce de Leon Boulevard

1432 Urbino Avenue

525 Aragon Avenue

739 Aledo Avenue

These PROPERTIES are unique and significantly contribute to the historic fabric of the City of Coral Gables. They were designed by prominent architects who were part of Merrick's original design team. The properties exemplify the historical, cultural, political, economic, or social trends of the community. They played a significant role in the development of the city and its emerging architectural styles including the Mediterranean Transitional style which was only produced for a brief period during the 1930s.

Please preserve our historical heritage.

Thank you,
Ileana Sayre

3012 Granada Blvd

Coral Gables, FL 33134

From: [Sandra Scidmore](#)
To: [Pernas, Anna](#); [City Clerk](#); [Urquia, Billy](#)
Subject: Support for Historic Designation of 2530/2518 Ponce De Leon Blvd, 1432 Urbino Ave, 525 Aragon Ave and 739 Aledo Ave
Date: Wednesday, November 20, 2024 8:41:26 AM

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Dear Members of the Historic Preservation Board,

I support in granting historical designation to FOUR properties as per the recommendation of the city's historic resources department:

2530 (aka 2518) Ponce de Leon Boulevard

1432 Urbino Avenue

525 Aragon Avenue

739 Aledo Avenue

These PROPERTIES are unique and significantly contribute to the historic fabric of the City of Coral Gables. They were designed by prominent architects who were part of Merrick's original design team. The properties exemplify the historical, cultural, political, economic, or social trends of the community. They played a significant role in the development of the city and its emerging architectural styles including the Mediterranean Transitional style which was only produced for a brief period during the 1930s.

Please preserve our historical heritage.

Thank you.

Sandra L. Scidmore

P.O. Box 347944

Coral Gables, FL 33234

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sscidmore@hotmail.com

From: [Ellen Dyer](#)
To: [Pernas, Anna](#); [Kautz, Kara](#); [City Clerk](#); [Urquia, Billy](#)
Cc: EThelma@aol.com; ["Historic Preservation Association of Coral Gables"](#)
Subject: TODAY! Support in granting historic designation to Four Properties recommended by Coral Gables Historic Resources Department
Date: Wednesday, November 20, 2024 10:35:01 AM
Importance: High

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November 20, 2024 10:31 AM

Dear Members of the Historic Preservation Board,
I wish to express my support in granting historical designation to FOUR properties as per the recommendation of the city's historic resources department:

2530 (aka 2518) Ponce de Leon Boulevard

1432 Urbino Avenue

525 Aragon Avenue

739 Aledo Avenue

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Please preserve our historical heritage.

Thank you.

Ellen Dyer
1406 Lisbon Street
Coral Gables, FL 33134

From: [Joyce Nelson](#)
To: [Pernas, Anna](#)
Subject: Today's meeting
Date: Wednesday, November 20, 2024 10:50:31 AM

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Dear Members of the Historic Preservation Board,
I wish to express my support in granting historical designation to FOUR properties as per the recommendation of the city's historic resources department:

2530 (aka 2518) Ponce de Leon Boulevard

1432 Urbino Avenue

525 Aragon Avenue

739 Aledo Avenue

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Please preserve our historical heritage.
Thank you.

Sent from my iPhone
305-505-1147
Joyce Nelson

From: maribiamon@aol.com
To: [Pernas, Anna](#); [City Clerk](#); [Urquia, Billy](#)
Subject: Historic preservation of properties
Date: Wednesday, November 20, 2024 1:12:04 PM

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Dear Members of the Historic Preservation Board,

I wish to express my support in granting historical designation to Four properties as per recommendation of the City historical resources department.

2530 (aka2518) Ponce de Leon Blvd
1432 Urbino Ave
525 Aragon Ave
739 Aledo Ave

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Please preserve our historical heritage.

Thank you

Maribel Biamon
1246 Bird Road
Coral Gables, Fl 33146

From: [Joanne meagher](#)
To: [Pernas, Anna](#); [City Clerk](#); [Urquia, Billy](#)
Subject: Supporting Designation
Date: Wednesday, November 20, 2024 2:18:03 PM

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I wish to express my support in granting historical designation to FOUR properties as per the recommendation of the city's historic resources department:

2530 (aka 2518) Ponce de Leon Boulevard

1432 Urbino Avenue

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739 Aledo Avenue

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Please preserve our historical heritage.

Thank you.

Joanne Meagher
1225 Valencia Avenue