

CORAL GABLES HISTORIC PRESERVATION BOARD MEETING MINUTES

August 20, 2009, 4:00 p.m.

City Commission Chambers

405 Biltmore Way, Coral Gables, Florida

MEMBERS:	S	O	N	D	J	F#	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	APPOINTED BY:
Dorothy Thomson	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	E	P	P	P	Mayor Donald D. Slesnick, II
Margaret Rolando*				P	P	P+	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	Vice Mayor William H. Kerdyk, Jr.
Ernesto Santos	P	E	P	P	P	A	E	P	P	P	P	P	P	Comm. Maria Anderson
Venny Torre*								P	P	P	P	E	P-	Comm. Rafael "Ralph" Cabrera, Jr.
Dolly MacIntyre	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P-	Comm. Wayne "Chip" Withers
Richard Heisenbottle							^	^	^	^	^	P	P	Historic Preservation Board
Joyce Meyers	P	E	P	P	P	A	P	P	P	P	P	P	P-	City Manager
Gay Bondurant*											P	P	P	City Commission
Sharon Langer*													P	City Commission

+ Ms. Rolando recused herself from discussion.

- Ms. MacIntyre arrived at 6:53 p.m.; Ms. Meyers departed at 6:54 p.m.

STAFF:

Kara Kautz, Historic Resources Officer

Betty Perez, Administrative Assistant

Rodney Carbonell, Historical Resources Department

A = Absent

P = Present

E = Excused

*** = New Member**

^ = Resigned Member

= Special Meeting

GUESTS: Ted Faust, Alfredo Pou, Peter Dolara, Albert Williams, Kendell Turner, Dan May, Rick Hickox, Jeff Besa, Richard Amunder, Susan K, Jorge Hernandez, Paulo Mendez, Art Murphy, Elizabeth Murphy, George Volsky, Fernando Alvarez Perez, Ana Alvarez, Frank Martinez, Enrique or Roselyn Carreras, Albert McCraney; City Staff: Patrick Salerno, Maria Alberro Jimenez, Martha Salazar-Blanco, Eric Riel, Ernesto Pinos, Walter Carlson, Peter Iglesias

RECORDING SECRETARY: Nancy C. Morgan, Coral Gables Services, Inc.

The meeting was called to order by Vice Chair Joyce Meyers at 4:07 p.m. A quorum was present.

DISCLOSURE STATEMENT and DISCLOSURE OF CONTEXT:

Ms. Meyers read for the record the statement regarding lobbyist registration and disclosure. She then stated that if any members of the board had any ex parte communication or contact regarding any cases being heard, it was necessary to disclose such communication or contact. Board members did not indicate that any such communication occurred.

PUBLIC SWEARING IN: Nancy Morgan swore in audience members who planned to testify during the meeting.

AD VALOREM TAX RELIEF:
CASE FILE AV 2006-02:

An application requesting ad valorem tax relief for the property at 3012 Granada Boulevard, a local historic landmark, legally described as Lots 12 and 13, Block 21, Coral Gables Country Club Section Part One, according to the Plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 8, at Page 108, of the Public Records of Miami-Dade County, Florida. The related Certificate of Appropriateness – Case File COA (SP) 2005-04 was granted design approval on April 21, 2005, by the Historic Preservation Board.

Ms. Chin relayed the history of the property as she displayed photographs. She reviewed structural stabilization, the removal of non-sympathetic alterations and additions, concluding that staff recommended approval for the tax abatement. She said the architect and owner were in the audience.

Project Architect Pou described the two-year project to restore the residence. At Ms. Meyers invitation for audience comments, homeowner Peter Dolara briefly addressed the Board. Thereafter, the public hearing portion of the application was closed. Board members spoke positively about the project.

Ms. Langer made a motion to approve the application for ad valorem tax relief. Mr. Torre seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Ayes: Mr. Santos, Ms. Rolando, Ms. Thomson, Mr. Torre, Mr. Heisenbottle, Ms. Bondurant, Ms. Langer, Ms. Meyers. Nays: None.

ADJOURNMENT: 8: 30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kara N. Kautz
Historic Preservation Officer