



**City of Coral Gables
CITY COMMISSION MEETING
September 22, 2009**

ITEM TITLE:

Historic Preservation Board meeting of August 20, 2009.

SUMMARY OF 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.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the application for ad valorem tax relief. (*Unanimously approved*).

SPECIAL CERTIFICATES OF APPROPRIATENESS:

CASE FILE COA (SP) 2009-11 Continued:

An application for the issuance of a Special Certificate of Appropriateness for the property at 126 Oak Avenue, a contributing structure within the “MacFarlane Homestead Subdivision Historic District,” legally described as Lot 18, Block 3-A, MacFarlane Homestead, as recorded in Plat Book 5, at Page 81, of the Public Records of Miami-Dade County, Florida. The applicant requested demolition of the existing structure. This application was heard at the July 16, 2009 meeting of the Historic Preservation Board.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the application for ad valorem tax relief for the Hotel Place St. Michel as presented. (*Unanimously approved*).

CASE FILE COA (SP) 2009-11 An application for the issuance of a Special Certificate of Appropriateness for the property at **126 Oak Avenue**, a contributing structure within the “MacFarlane Homestead Subdivision Historic District,” legally described as Lot 18, Block 3-A, MacFarlane Homestead, as recorded in Plat Book 5, at Page 81, of the Public Records of Miami-Dade County, Florida. The applicant requested demolition of the existing structure.

A motion was made and seconded to grant the COA for demolition due to the significant level of deterioration from photographs and the testimony of the Building Official and Structural Engineer.
(*Unanimously approved*).

CASE FILE COA (SP) 2009-13 Continued:

An application for the issuance of a Special Certificate of Appropriateness for the property at **1136 Alhambra Circle**, a contributing structure within the “Alhambra Circle Historic District,” legally described as Lot 3 and the west 35 feet of Lot 4, Block 15, Coral Gables Section “C”, as recorded in Plat Book 8, at Page 26, of the Public Records of Miami-Dade County, Florida. The applicant requested design approval for the construction of an addition and alterations. This application was heard at the July 16, 2009 meeting of the Historic Preservation Board.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness for the revised design as presented.
(*Unanimously approved*)

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CASE FILE COA (SP) 2009-14:

An application for the issuance of a Special Certificate of Appropriateness for the property at **4409 Santa Maria Street**, a contributing structure within the “Florida Pioneer Village Historic District” and the “Santa Maria Street Historic District,” legally described as the South 50 feet of Lot 18 and all of Lot 19, and the north 25 feet of Lot 20, Block 96, Coral Gables Country Club Section Part Five, as recorded in Plat Book 23, at Page 55, of the Public Records of Miami-Dade County, Florida. The applicant requested design approval for the construction of an addition and alterations to the residence. Variances are requested to allow the residence to exceed the allowable floor area ratio.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the application for the Special Certificate of Appropriateness for 4409 Santa Maria with the condition that the building be moved a foot and a half to the east, that the neighbor’s window issue be addressed, that the roof ridge match the existing structure, and staff will review revised drawings.
(*Unanimously approved*)

A motion was made and seconded to grant the variance as requested. (*Unanimously approved*)

CASE FILE COA (SP) 2009-19:

An application for the issuance of a Special Certificate of Appropriateness for the Coral Gables Country Club, located at **997 North Greenway Drive**, a contributing structure within the “Country Club of Coral Gables Historic District,” legally described as Lots 1 through 9 and Lots 37 through 39, Block 32, Coral Gables Section "B," as recorded in Plat Book 5, at Page 111 of the Public Records of Miami-Dade County, Florida. The applicant requested design approval for alterations to the building. Variances were requested from the Coral Gables “Zoning Code” for setbacks, minimum landscape open space, open air dining, the construction of a trellis, and to allow structures to be closer to the street than the main building.

A motion was made and seconded to defer the item to its place on the original agenda. (*Unanimously approved*)

A motion was made and seconded to table the application until the next Board meeting to give the applicant an opportunity to provide the materials and address Board recommendations. (*Unanimously approved – Mr. Torre was not present for the item presentation or the vote and Ms. Meyers had left the meeting.*)

CASE FILE COA (SP) 2009-15:

An application for the issuance of a Special Certificate of Appropriateness for the property at **1125 North Greenway Drive**, a contributing structure within the “Country Club of Coral Gables Historic District”, legally described as Lots 18 and 19, Block 15, Coral Gables Section “C”, as recorded in Plat Book 8, at Page 26, of the Public Records of Miami-Dade County, Florida. The applicant is requesting design approval for the construction of an addition and alterations to the existing structure.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the Special Certificate of Appropriateness for 1125 North Greenway Drive, including staff’s and the Board of Architects’ comments. (*Unanimously approved*)

ATTACHMENT(S):

1. Historic Preservation Board Meeting minutes of August 20, 2009