

City of Coral Gables

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Meeting Minutes

Monday, May 13, 2019

2:00 PM

City Hall, Commission Chambers

Construction Regulation Board

*Chairperson Anthony Bello
Vice Chairperson Jill Daley
Board Member Luis Arevalo
Board Member Hilda Miller
Board Member Ignacio Permuy*

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order by the Chairperson, Anthony Bello.

ROLL CALL

Present: 4 - Board Member Daley, Board Member Permuy, Board Member Bello and Board Member Arevalo

Absent: 1 - Board Member Miller

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

19-8649 Construction Regulation Board Minutes of March 11, 2019

A motion was made by Board Member Permuy, seconded by Board Member Daley, that this matter be approved. The motion passed by the following vote.

Yeas: 4 - Board Member Daley, Board Member Permuy, Board Member Bello and Board Member Arevalo

Absent: 1 - Board Member Miller

PUBLIC HEARING

UNSAFE STRUCTURE CASES

18-7217 1450 Baracoa Avenue

Respondent was present.

This Case appeared before the Board January 14th and the Board Ordered the deadlines of January 21st for the owner to submit an engineer's report and the deadline of February 15th for the owner to apply for all necessary permits to correct the structural violations. The owner did not comply with either deadline.

On March 21st, a Notice of Non-compliance and Intent to Lien was mailed and posted advising the owner of the failure to comply with the Board's Order and regarding fines and administrative fees associated with the Case. Upon receipt of the Notice, the owner requested a Hearing which is strictly limited to determining whether code violations have been corrected and regarding payment of the civil penalties and administrative costs.

The Building Official and Building Division staff have visited the site frequently. The City has provided the owner with considerable time to comply and has been in continual communication with him in order to address and correct the structural violations. The structure has experienced substantial damage and deterioration. Rainy season is upon us and hurricane season is quickly approaching; further weakening of the structure is expected to occur. The Building Official recommends the City immediately proceed with demolition of the structure.

The owner requested additional time to comply and explained he has applied for a grant from Rebuild Florida.

The Board Ordered to follow the Building Official's recommendation. There will not be further Orders required to demolish the structure. The Building Official is to visit the site to perform a visual inspection to determine if it's safe to enter the property to remove any remaining personal items. The City will determine the time needed to begin the demolition process.

A motion was made by Board Member Arevalo, seconded by Board Member Permuy, that this matter be approved. The motion passed by the following vote.

Yeas: 4 - Board Member Daley, Board Member Permuy, Board Member Bello and Board Member Arevalo

Absent: 1 - Board Member Miller

HISTORIC PROPERTIES

None

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Board Members were informed that owners have been complying with the 2019 building recertification requirements. There are approximately 70 buildings pending recertification for this year.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned by the Chairperson, Anthony Bello.