

**CORAL GABLES HISTORIC PRESERVATION BOARD MEETING MINUTES**  
**February 28, 2008, 4:00 p.m.**  
**City Commission Chambers**  
**405 Biltmore Way, Coral Gables, Florida**

<b>MEMBERS:</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>J</b>	<b>J</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>S</b>	<b>O</b>	<b>N</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>J</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>APPOINTED BY:</b>
Dorothy Thomson*			P	P		P	P	P	P	P	P	P	Mayor Donald D. Slesnick, II
Catherine Stewart	P	E	E	P	P	E	P	P	P	P	E	E	Vice Mayor William H. Kerdyk, Jr.
Ernesto Santos	P	P	P	E	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	Comm. Maria Anderson
Dolly MacIntyre*			P	P	P	P	P	P	P	E	P	P	Comm. Rafael "Ralph" Cabrera, Jr.
Michael Beeman	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	E	P	P	P	P	Comm. Wayne "Chip" Withers
Joyce Meyers	E	P	P	P	E	P	P	P	E	P	P	P	Historic Preservation Board
Lisa Bennett	P	E	P	P	P	E	P	P	P	P	P	P	City Manager David Brown
Shirley Maroon	P	P	P	P	E	P	P	P	P	P	E	P	City Commission
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**STAFF:**

Kara N. Kautz, Historic Preservation Officer  
 Betty Perez, Historical Resources Department  
 Simone Chin, Historical Preservation Administrator  
 Rodney Carbonell, Historical Resources Department

**A = Absent**

**P = Present**

**E = Excused**

**\* = New Member**

**^ = Resigned Member**

**GUESTS:** George Volsky, Michael Steffens, Rafael Reyes

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

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The meeting was called to order by Chair Lisa Bennett at 4:06 p.m. A quorum was present.

**AD VALOREM TAX RELIEF:**

**CASE FILE AV 2004-01**

An application requesting ad valorem tax relief for the property at 637 Alcazar Avenue, a local historic landmark, legally described as Lots 23 and 24, Block 19, 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. The related Special Certificate of Appropriateness – Case Files COA (SP) 2002-18 and COA (SP) 2004-02, were granted design approval on October 17, 2002 and February 19, 2004, respectively by the Historic Preservation Board.

During a photographic presentation, Ms. Kautz thoroughly described the property, its history, the Certificate of Appropriateness granted for submitted design work and a variance. She reviewed all property improvements, and concluded that staff recommended approval of the ad valorem tax relief application. As the owner of the property was present, he was invited to speak.

Homeowner Rafael Reyes briefly addressed the Board, and was congratulated on his project.

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**Ms. Meyers made a motion to approve the application for ad valorem tax relief. Ms. Thomson seconded the motion.**

**Roll Call: Ayes: Ms. Maroon, Ms. Meyers, Mr. Santos, Mr. Beeman, Ms. MacIntyre, Ms. Thomson, Ms. Bennett. Nays: None.**

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**Mr. Beeman made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:40 p.m. Ms. Maroon seconded the motion, which passed.**

Respectfully submitted,

Kara N. Kautz  
Historic Preservation Officer