

CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-15

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF DENYING THE APPEAL FILED BY EDMUND J. ZAHAREWICZ AND AFFIRMING THE DECISION OF THE HISTORIC PRESERVATION BOARD TO GRANT THE LOCAL HISTORIC DESIGNATION OF THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 649 PALMARITO COURT, LEGALLY DESCRIBED AS LOTS 18 AND 19, BLOCK 139, CORAL GABLES COUNTRY CLUB SECTION 6, AT PLAT BOOK 20, PAGE 1 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF MIAMI- DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

WHEREAS, applicant/appellant (Edmund K. Zaharewicz) appeared before the City Commission at its meeting of January 26, 2021 to appeal the December 16, 2020 decision of the Historic Preservation Board to designate the property located at 649 Palmarito Court, Coral Gables, Florida, as a local historic landmark; and

WHEREAS, on December 16, 2020, the historic designation report for said property was presented to the Historic Preservation Board for consideration, during its regular meeting and the board unanimously (8-0, one member absent) approved the designation of the property as a local historic landmark, based on the criteria in Article 3, Section 3-1103¹ of the Coral Gables Zoning Code finding that 649 Palmarito Court is historically significant because it exemplifies the historical, cultural, political, economic or social trends of the community, it portrays the environment in an era of history characterized by one or more distinctive architectural styles, and it embodies those distinguishing characteristics of an architectural style, or period, or method of construction; and

WHEREAS, applicant/appellant was part of the hearing before the Historic Preservation Board and had ample opportunity to argue against the designation of the property as a local historic landmark; and

WHEREAS, after reviewing the record and decision of the Historic Preservation Board, and after having given an opportunity for interested parties to be heard, the City Commission finds that the decision of the Historic Preservation Board, to designate 649 Palmarito Court a local historic landmark, was based on competent substantial evidence, that due process was properly afforded to all interested parties, and that the essential requirements of law were met, specifically, that the Historic

¹ Pursuant to Ordinance 2020-31, reorganizing the Zoning Code, the updated code section is Article 8, Section 8-103.

Preservation Board appropriately applied the designation criteria; and

WHEREAS, a motion to deny the appeal of the Historic Preservation Board's decision to designate 649 Palmarito Court a local historic landmark was made by Vice-Mayor Vince Lago, seconded by Commissioner Patricia Keon, and upon a vote (5-0), approved by the City Commission;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES:

SECTION 1. The foregoing "Whereas" clauses are hereby ratified and confirmed as being true and correct and are hereby made a specific part of this Resolution upon adoption hereof.

SECTION 2. That the appeal is hereby denied, and the decision of the Historic Preservation Board is affirmed, thereby upholding the designation of 649 Palmarito Court as a local historic landmark.

SECTION 3. That this Resolution shall become effective upon the date of its passage and adoption herein.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS TWENTY-SIXTH DAY OF JANUARY, A.D., 2021.

(Moved: Keon / Seconded: Mena)

(Yeas: Fors, Jr., Keon, Lago, Mena, Valdes-Fauli)

(Majority: (5-0 Vote)

(Agenda Item: F-1)

APPROVED:



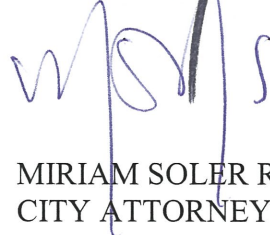
RAUL VALDES-FAULI
MAYOR

ATTEST:



BILLY Y. URQUIA
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM
AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:



MIRIAM SOLER RAMOS
CITY ATTORNEY