



**City of Coral Gables
CITY COMMISSION MEETING
January 24, 2012**

ITEM TITLE:

Historic Preservation Board meeting of November 17, 2011.

SUMMARY OF MEETING:

1. CASE FILE LHD 2011-02 Continued:

Consideration of the local historic designation of the property at **1248 Coral Way**, legally described as Lots 5 and 6 and Lots 7 and 8, Block 1, Coral Gables Section "D" Revised, according to the Plat thereof, recorded in Plat Book 25, Page 74, of the Public Records of Miami-Dade County, Florida.

First Motion: A motion was made and seconded to deny the U.S. Government's request for further continuance. (*Ayes: 7, Nays: 0, Mr. Torre was not present at the meeting at the time of consideration and vote.*)

Second Motion: A motion was made and seconded to designate the property at **1248 Coral Way** as a local historic landmark. (*Ayes: 7, Nays: 0, Mr. Torre was not present at the meeting at the time of consideration and vote.*)

2. CASE FILE COA (SP) 2010-22 Continued:

An application for the issuance of a Special Certificate of Appropriateness for the property at **814 Coral Way**, a contributing structure within the "Coral Rock Residences Thematic Group Local Historic District" legally described as Lots 7 and 8, Block 1, Coral Gables Section "A," according to the Plat thereof, recorded in Plat Book 5, Page 102, of the Public Records of Miami-Dade County, Florida. The applicant requested design approval for at-grade improvements, and the construction of an addition and alterations to the existing structure. This portion of the application is for window replacement only.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the design for window replacement as presented, subject to the door design matching that on the photograph as discussed. (*Unanimously approved.*)

3. CASE FILE COA (SP) 2011-011:

An application for the issuance of a Special Certificate of Appropriateness for the property at **915 Bayamo Avenue**, a Local Historic Landmark legally described as Lots 14, 15, and 16, Block 252, Coral Gables Riviera Section Part Twelve, according to the Plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 28, Page 35, of the Public Records of Miami-Dade County, Florida. The applicant is request design approval to enclose the existing patio with glass wall and French doors, a privacy wall, and a pool and patio.

A motion was made and seconded to approve enclosing the existing patio with a glass wall and French doors and installing a privacy wall as proposed for the property at 915 Bayamo Avenue, but to defer the portion of the application regarding the pool to allow the applicant to consider other design options. (*Unanimously approved.*)

4. CASE FILE COA (SP) 2011-012:

An application for the issuance of a Special Certificate of Appropriateness for the Venetian Pool located at **2701 De Soto Boulevard**, a Local and National Historic Landmark, legally described as Lot 1 less part

described in DB 3865-329 and All of Lot 2 and All of Lot 3 less Beginning of the Northwest corner South 26.12ft East 25 feet of Northerly To Northeast corner West to Point of Beginning and Plot Described as Sevilla Park Block 6, Coral Gables Section "A," according to the Plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 5, at Page 102, of the Public Records of Miami-Dade County, Florida. The applicant is requesting design approval for the rehabilitation of the pump house.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the design for the rehabilitation of the Venetian Pool pump house as proposed. (*Unanimously approved*).

5. CITY COMMISSION / CITY PROJECTS UPDATE:

313 Sarto Avenue: Ms. Spain reported that the ad valorem tax relief application for 313 Sarto Avenue was unanimously approved by the City Commission.

6. OLD BUSINESS:

Alhambra Water Tower Update: Ms. Turner reported discussions with staff regarding staining the Water Tower doors mahogany or painting them green. Ms. Spain clarified that research did not reveal that the original doors were painted green. The new doors as manufactured are made of mahogany; however, as a maintenance issue, the doors can be painted green, as the most common color used on City buildings. Ms. Turner commented that the doors have been "Gables green" for 23 years. Ms. Spain will relay the Board's preference to paint the doors. Grommets will remain black iron.

A motion was made and seconded to paint the double doors and arched transom above the Alhambra Circle and Ferdinand Avenue side of the Alhambra Water Tower and the tall arched window be painted the same color as the doors on the first balcony above. (*Unanimously approved*).

7. NEW BUSINESS:

- **Holiday Open House – Merrick House**
- **Villagers Tour**
- **Boy Scout House Event**
- **Garden Club Tour**
- **Art Walk to benefit Alhambra Water Tower**

ATTACHMENT(S):

1. Minutes of Historic Preservation Board meeting of November 14, 2011.