



**City of Coral Gables**  
**CITY COMMISSION MEETING**  
**October 26, 2010**

**ITEM TITLE:**

Historic Preservation Board meeting of September 16, 2010.

**SUMMARY OF MEETING:**

**1. CASE FILE COA (SP) 2010-11:**

An application for the issuance of a Special Certificate of Appropriateness for the property at **508 Caligula Avenue**, a contributing structure within the "French Country Village Historic District," legally described as Lot 9 and 10, Block 125, Coral Gables Riviera Section Part Ten, as recorded in Plat Book 31, Page 1, of the Public Records of Miami-Dade County, Florida. The applicant is requesting design approval for the construction of an addition and alterations.

**A motion was made and seconded to approve the proposed design for 508 Caligula Avenue using three Type D, side-by-side windows on the garage wall and complying with all other staff recommendations as presented in the staff report. (Unanimously approved).**

**2. CASE FILE COA (SP) 2010-13:**

An application for the issuance of a Special Certificate of Appropriateness for the property at **700 Alhambra Circle**, a contributing property within the "Alhambra Circle Historic District," legally described as Lots 16, 17, and 18, Block 23, Coral Gables Section "B," as recorded in Plat Book 5, Page 111, 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 defer the application for design approval for an addition to the residence at 700 Alhambra Circle to the next Board meeting to give the architect an opportunity to create an alternative design. (Unanimously approved).**

**3. CASE FILE COA (SP) 2010-14:**

An application for the issuance of a Special Certificate of Appropriateness for the properties at **620 Alhambra Circle**, a non-contributing property within the "Alhambra Circle Historic District," legally described as Lot 1, Block 21, Coral Gables Section "B," as recorded in Plat Book 5, Page 111, of the Public Records of Miami-Dade County, Florida. The applicant is requesting design approval for the installation of an in-ground hot tub adjacent to an existing swimming pool. A variance has also been requested to allow a swimming pool / spa closer to the front or side street than the primary structure.

**Pool Motion: A motion was made and seconded to approve the design as proposed for the in-ground hot tub adjacent to the existing swimming pool located at 620 Alhambra Circle. (Unanimously approved).**

**Variance Motion: A motion was made and seconded to approve the variance to allow a swimming pool / spa closer to the front or side street than the primary structure. (Unanimously approved).**

**4. CASE FILE COA (SP) 2010-15:**

An application for the issuance of a Special Certificate of Appropriateness for the **Miracle Theater**,

located at **280 Miracle Mile** (also known as 280 Coral Way), a local historic landmark. A lengthy legal description is on file in the Historic Preservation Office. The applicant is requesting design approval for the replacement of a terrazzo band and the installation of stainless steel lettering.

**A motion was made and seconded to approve the application, subject to staff recommendations, for the replacement of the terrazzo band, the installation of the lettering, and the modification of signage. (Unanimously approved).**

**5. CASE FILE LHD 2010-04:**

Consideration of the local historic designation of the buildings currently on the University of Miami Main Campus (5665 Ponce de Leon Boulevard) referred to as **Architecture Building #48** located at **1217 Dickinson Drive**, and **Architecture Building #49** located at **1223 Dickinson Drive**, legally described as all of the “Architecture South” building and all of the “Architecture North” building as now existing, laid out and in use, the same being a portion of Tract 1 of Amended Plat Portion of Main Campus University of Miami, according to the Plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 46 at Page 81 of the Public Records of Dade County (now Miami–Dade County), Florida.

**A motion was made and seconded to approve the local historic designation of the University of Miami’s architecture buildings #48 and #49. (Unanimously approved).**

**6. HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE DETERMINATIONS:**

“**Hughes/Guidance Center**”, located at **5600 Merrick Drive**, legally described as all of the “Guidance Center Building 21” as now existing, laid out and in use, the same being a portion of Tract 6 of Amended Plat Portion of Main Campus University of Miami, according to the Plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 46 at Page 81 of the Public Records of Dade County (now Miami–Dade County), Florida.

**A motion was made and seconded recognizing the importance of the assembly of the four preserved buildings (Architecture Building #48, Architecture Building #49, Pentland Building #34B and La Gorce Building #35). The Hughes/Guidance Center Building #21 is not individually significant as it is represented within the assembly of preserved buildings; therefore, demolition by the University of Miami, at its discretion, of this individual building will be allowed. (Unanimously approved).**

“**Brunstetter Building #22**,” located at **5616 Merrick Drive**, legally described as all of the “Apartment Building 22 (Brunstetter)” as now existing, laid out and in use, the same being a portion of Tract 6 of Amended Plat Portion of Main Campus University of Miami, according to the Plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 46 at Page 81 of the Public Records of Dade County (now Miami–Dade County), Florida.

**A motion was made and seconded recognizing the importance of the assembly of the four preserved buildings (Architecture Building #48, Architecture Building #49, Pentland Building #34B and La Gorce Building #35). The Brunstetter Building #22 is not individually significant as it is represented within the assembly of preserved buildings; therefore, demolition by the University of Miami, at its discretion, of this individual building will be allowed. (Unanimously approved).**

“**Grosvenor Building #23**,” located at **5638 Merrick Drive**, legally described as all of the “Apartment Building 23 (Grosvenor)” as now existing, laid out and in use, the same being a portion of Tract 6 of Amended Plat Portion of Main Campus University of Miami, according to the Plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 46 at Page 81 of the Public Records of Dade County (now Miami–Dade County), Florida.

**A motion was made and seconded recognizing the importance of the assembly of the four preserved buildings (Architecture Building #48, Architecture Building #49, Pentland Building #34B and La Gorce Building #35). The Grosvenor Building #23 is not individually significant as it is represented**

within the assembly of preserved buildings; therefore, demolition by the University of Miami, at its discretion, of this individual building will be allowed. (*Unanimously approved*).

**“Foster Building #36,”** located at **1216 Dickinson Drive**, legally described as all of the “Apartment Building 36 (Foster)” as now existing, laid out and in use, the same being a portion of Tract 5 of Amended Plat Portion of Main Campus University of Miami, according to the Plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 46 at Page 81 of the Public Records of Dade County (now Miami–Dade County), Florida.

**A motion was made and seconded recognizing the importance of the assembly of the four preserved buildings (Architecture Building #48, Architecture Building #49, Pentland Building #34B and La Gorce Building #35). The Foster Building #36 is not individually significant as it is represented within the assembly of preserved buildings; therefore, demolition by the University of Miami, at its discretion, of this individual building will be allowed. (*Unanimously approved*).**

**“Rhodes Building #37,”** located at **1204 Dickinson Drive**, legally described as all of the “Rhodes House Building 37” as now existing, laid out and in use, the same being a portion of Tract 5 of Amended Plat Portion of Main Campus University of Miami, according to the Plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 46 at Page 81 of the Public Records of Dade County (now Miami–Dade County), Florida.

**A motion was made and seconded recognizing the importance of the assembly of the four preserved buildings (Architecture Building #48, Architecture Building #49, Pentland Building #34B and La Gorce Building #35). The Rhodes Building #37 is not individually significant as it is represented within the assembly of preserved buildings; therefore, demolition by the University of Miami, at its discretion, of this individual building will be allowed. (*Unanimously approved*).**

**“Railey Building #41,”** located at **1203 Walsh Avenue**, legally described as all of the “Apartment Building 41 (Railey)” as now existing, laid out and in use, the same being a portion of Tract 5 of Amended Plat Portion of Main Campus University of Miami, according to the Plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 46 at Page 81 of the Public Records of Dade County (now Miami–Dade County), Florida.

**A motion was made and seconded recognizing the importance of the assembly of the four preserved buildings (Architecture Building #48, Architecture Building #49, Pentland Building #34B and La Gorce Building #35). The Railey Building #41 is not individually significant as it is represented within the assembly of preserved buildings; therefore, demolition by the University of Miami, at its discretion, of this individual building will be allowed. (*Unanimously approved*).**

**“Smith Building #42,”** located at **1213 Walsh Avenue**, legally described as all of the “Apartment Building 42 (Smith)” as now existing, laid out and in use, the same being a portion of Tract 5 of Amended Plat Portion of Main Campus University of Miami, according to the Plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 46 at Page 81 of the Public Records of Dade County (now Miami–Dade County), Florida.

**A motion was made and seconded recognizing the importance of the assembly of the four preserved buildings (Architecture Building #48, Architecture Building #49, Pentland Building #34B and La Gorce Building #35). The Smith Building #42 is not individually significant as it is represented within the assembly of preserved buildings; therefore, demolition by the University of Miami, at its discretion, of this individual building will be allowed. (*Unanimously approved*).**

**“Allen Building #43,”** located at **1221 Walsh Avenue**, legally described as all of the “Apartment Building 43 (Allen)” as now existing, laid out and in use, the same being a portion of Tract 5 of Amended Plat Portion of Main Campus University of Miami, according to the Plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 46 at Page 81 of the Public Records of Dade County (now Miami–Dade County), Florida.

**A motion was made and seconded recognizing the importance of the assembly of the four preserved buildings (Architecture Building #48, Architecture Building #49, Pentland Building #34B and La Gorce Building #35). The Allen Building #43 is not individually significant as it is represented within the assembly of preserved buildings; therefore, demolition by the University of Miami, at its discretion, of this individual building will be allowed. (*Unanimously approved*).**

**ATTACHMENT(S):**

1. Historic Preservation Board Meeting minutes of September 16, 2010