



**City of Coral Gables
CITY COMMISSION MEETING
August 25, 2020**

ITEM TITLE:

Historic Preservation Board Meeting of July 15, 2020

SUMMARY OF MEETING:

DEFERRALS:

None

SPECIAL CERTIFICATES OF APPROPRIATENESS:

CASE FILE COA (SP) 2019-023: An application for the issuance of a Special Certificate of Appropriateness for the property at **247 Malaga Avenue**, a Local Historic Landmark, legally described as Lots 26 & 27, Block 29, Coral Gables Crafts Section, according to the Plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 10, at Page 40 of the Public Records of Miami-Dade County, Florida. The application requests design approval for an addition and alterations to the commercial structure. A variance has also been requested from Article 5, Section 5-1409 of the Coral Gables Zoning Code to waive the off-street parking requirement.

Dona Spain recused herself from the voting on the following two items for the property on 247 Malaga Avenue

A motion was made and seconded to approve the Special Certificate of Appropriateness for the property located at 247 Malaga Avenue with the three conditions recorded in the city staff report, plus the following two conditions:

1. To extend the canopy over the front door on the new building
2. To replace the existing roll up garage door with a new storefront window inclusive of the required egress door in the back

The motion passed (Ayes:5; Nays: 3).

A motion was made and seconded to grant the variance to waive the required off-street parking requirement as dictated in the city staff report for the property located at 247 Malaga Avenue. The motion passed (Ayes:8; Nays: 0).

CASE FILE COA (SP) 2020-001: An application for the issuance of a Special Certificate of Appropriateness for the property at **1148 Alhambra Circle**, a contributing resource within the "Alhambra Circle Historic District," Local Historic Landmark, legally described as Lots 1 & 2, Block 15, Coral Gables Section "C," according to the Plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 8, at Page 26 of the Public Records of Miami-Dade County, Florida. The application requests design approval for an addition and alterations to the residence and sitework.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the Special Certificate of Appropriateness with the City's conditions as dictated in the city staff report for the property located at 1148 Alhambra Circle. The motion passed (Ayes:9; Nays: 0).

STANDARD CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS:

CASE FILE COA (ST) 2019-174 Revised: An application for a revision to a previously issued Standard Certificate of Appropriateness for the property at **4408 Palmarito Street**, a Contributing Resource within the “Italian Village Historic District,” legally described as Lots 10, 11 and 12, Block 12, Coral Gables Riviera Section Part 1, according to the Plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 28, Page 31, of the Public Records of Miami-Dade County, Florida. The applicant is requesting design approval for impact-resistant windows and doors that do not match the approved permit plans.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the front door installation for the property located at 4408 Palmarito Street. The motion passed. (Ayes: 9, Nays: 0)

A motion was made and seconded for the staff to work with the architect for each individual window with a preference towards making do with the existing window and working with a muntin pattern. If the staff is comfortable with the changes the board will allow them to approve them, if not they may bring this back to the board for review for the property located at 4408 Palmarito Street. The motion passed. (Ayes: 9, Nays: 0)

VOTE FOR CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR OF THE HISTORIC PRESERVATION BOARD:

A motion was made and seconded to nominate Mr. Albert Menendez for Chair. Mr. Menendez accepted the nomination. The motion passed. (Ayes: 9, Nays: 0)

A motion was made and seconded to nominate Mr. Cesar Garcia-Pons for Vice-Chair. Mr. Garcia-Pons accepted the nomination. The motion passed. (Ayes: 9, Nays: 0)

ITEMS FROM THE SECRETARY:

- 1208 Asturia Avenue – The Board’s decision was upheld by the inaction of the City Commission. The appellant has appealed to the appellate division of the circuit court, so it is now going to be in the court system and the demolition has been temporarily stayed.
- Deputy City Attorney Cristina Suarez will be invited to the next Zoom meeting to give an update on 1113 Castile Avenue.
- Board members need to file financial disclosure with the State.
- August 19, 2020 will be the date of the next Historic Preservation Board Meeting.