



City of Coral Gables
CITY COMMISSION MEETING
February 23, 2010

ITEM TITLE:

Historic Preservation Board meeting of January 21, 2010.

SUMMARY OF MEETING:

1. CASE FILE COA (SP) 2009-28 (Continued):

An application for the issuance of a Special Certificate of Appropriateness for the property at **547 Aragon Avenue**, a local historic landmark, legally described as Lots 23 and 24, Block 10, Coral Gables Section "B," according to the Plat thereof, recorded in Plat Book 5, Page 111, of the Public Records of Miami-Dade County, Florida. The applicant requested design approval for interior alterations, and the installment of windows and doors. This application is a result of a violation. This application was heard at the November 19, 2009 meeting of the Historic Preservation Board.

A motion was made and seconded to reject the application in compliance with recommendations of staff and the Board of Architects because the applicant did not make any substantive changes to the solution for the subject eleven windows from the application presented at the November meeting. Additionally, staff demonstrated that window types/styles are available that would closely match the original windows. (Ayes: 8, Nays: 0).

2. CASE FILE COA (SP) 2009-31:

An application for the issuance of a Special Certificate of Appropriateness for the property at **400 University Drive**, a local historic landmark, legally described as Lots 1 through 10, Block 119, Coral Gables Country Club Section 6, as recorded in Plat Book 20, at Page 1, of the Public Records of Miami-Dade County, Florida. The applicant requested design approval for the installation of signage. A variance will be required from Article 5, Division 19, Section 5-1904 of the Coral Gables "Zoning Code" to allow a wall mounted sign be installed below the minimum allowable height.

First Motion: A motion was made and seconded to approve a Certificate of Appropriateness for the design of the signage. (Ayes: 6, Nays: 2)

Second Motion: A motion was made and seconded to approve the variance due to the existence of unusual circumstances with the design of the building. (*Unanimously approved*).

3. CASE FILE COA (SP) 2009-30:

An application for the issuance of a Special Certificate of Appropriateness for the property at **3010 De Soto Boulevard**, a local historic landmark, legally described as Lots 1 to 4, Block 14, Coral Gables Country Club Section 1, as recorded in Plat Book 8, at Page 108, of the Public Records of Miami-Dade County, Florida. The applicant is requesting design approval for the installation of signage. A variance will be required from Article 5, Division 19, Section 5-1904 of the Coral Gables "Zoning Code" to allow the signage to not meet the required setbacks for a freestanding directory sign.

First Motion: A motion was made and seconded to approve the issuance of a Special Certificate of Appropriateness. (*Unanimously approved*)

Second Motion: a motion was made and seconded to approve the requested variance. (*Unanimously approved*).

4. **BOARD ITEMS / CITY COMMISSION / CITY PROJECTS UPDATE:**

Discussion included:

- County Club Prado Entrance
- Green Market
- MacFarlane District Update
- Signage for Historic Districts
- Douglas Entrance

5. **NEW BUSINESS:**

Discussion included:

- City Hall Windows

ATTACHMENT(S):

1. Historic Preservation Board Meeting minutes of January 21, 2010.