

Board of Architects Meeting August 26, 2021

Re: 301-341 Madeira Avenue, Coral Gables, FL CASE FILE AB19013562

On behalf of the Historic Preservation Association of Coral Gables, please accept this letter in opposition to the proposed development at 301-341 Madeira Avenue. This proposal does not possess the character-defining features of Mediterranean architecture, nor does it include design elements/architectural styles of any of the historic buildings that are required by the Mediterranean Bonus program (Section 5-202). The proposal does not "continue to support George Merrick's vision consistent with the established historic building fabric of the City." As such, the proposal should not be awarded Mediterranean Bonus 1 or 2.

The Historic Preservation Association of Coral Gables promotes the understanding and the importance of historic resources and their preservation in Coral Gables. We ask the Board of Architects to reject the "301-341 Madeira Avenue" proposal as submitted.

Respectfully,

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City of Coral Gables Board of Architects via email Ref: case file AB19013562 301-341 Madeira Ave, Coral Gables, Fl

Dear City of Coral Gables Board of Architects,

I write to you today in reference to the above proposed project. It seems that we have yet another developer trying to take advantage of the Mediterranean bonus, without sufficient architectural features to be considered Mediterranean. The insertion of canopies and decorative molding does not define Mediterranean. In addition, due to the immense amount of construction, parking and public amenities would fall short of being minimally adequate.

The amended proposal is still intrusive and out of context with the surrounding smaller scale apartments.

I respectfully request that the above amended proposal be denied, as it does not represent a design deserving of the Mediterranean bonus. Any consideration thereof would adversely affect the future of our neighborhood.

Sincerely, Zully Pardo