

CORAL GABLES HISTORIC PRESERVATION BOARD MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, October 15, 2015, 4:00 p.m.
City Commission Chambers
405 Biltmore Way, Coral Gables, Florida

MEMBERS:	N	D	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	APPOINTED BY:
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Janice Thomson*									P	P	A	P	Mayor Jim Cason
Venny Torre	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	Vice Mayor Frank C. Quesada
Elizabeth Ghia*									P	P	P	P	Commissioner Jeannett Slesnick
Alejandro Silva	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	Commissioner Patricia Keon
Alexander Adams*									P	P	P	E	Commissioner Vince Lago
John Fullerton*					E	P	A	P	P	P	P	P	Historic Preservation Board
Robert Parsley	P	P	P	E	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	A	City Manager
Margaret											E	P	City Commission
Rolando*													
Albert Menendez*											P	P	City Commission

LEGEND: A = Absent; P = Present; E = Excused; * = New Member; ^ = Resigned Member;
 - = No Meeting

STAFF:

Dona M. Spain, Historic Preservation Officer
 Kara N. Kautz, Assistant Historic Preservation Officer
 ElizaBeth Guin, Historic Preservationist
 Yesenia Diaz, Administrative Assistant, Historical Resources and Cultural Arts Department
 Miriam Ramos, Deputy City Attorney

GUESTS: Monica Loreda; Karen Bernet-Backer, Esq.; Albert Pozo; Jane Maranos; Karelia Martinez Carbonell; Ann Rosalind Goodman; Rashmi Murthy; Hallegere Murthy.

RECORDING AND PREPARATION OF MINUTES: Nancy C. Morgan, Coral Gables Services, Inc.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Torre at 4:09 p.m. A quorum was present.

REQUEST FROM HISTORIC PRESERVATION ASSOCIATION OF CORAL GABLES TO PLACE A DOUBLE-SIDED HISTORIC MARKER FOR THE “WHITE WAY LIGHTS” AND APPROVAL OF MARKER TEXT:

As President of the Historic Preservation Association of Coral Gables, Ms. Martinez Carbonell relayed the significance of the white way lights and the HPACG’s signature project to preserve and restore them. Among the original 500 lights, 78 remain. She described the proposed two-sided marker to be funded by HPACG, and asked the Board to approve the marker’s design and text. The organization wants to dedicate the lights within the City’s 90th anniversary year by April 2016. Ms. Martinez Carbonell suggested that a good place for the marker was the Coral Gables Library area. She extended an invitation to Board members to attend an event on Sunday, October 19th, where the artist commissioned to create fundraising note cards will be present. The note cards will defray the cost of the restoration.

Ms. Rolando made a motion to approve the placement of the historic marker in the vicinity of the Coral Gables Library bearing the text proposed by the HPACG. Mr. Silva seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Ayes: Mr. Fullerton, Ms. Thomson, Ms. Ghia, Mr. Silva, Ms. Rolando, Mr. Menendez, Mr. Torre.
Nays: None.

The meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.