



**City of Coral Gables
CITY COMMISSION MEETING
October 28, 2008**

ITEM TITLE:

Historic Preservation Board meeting of September 18, 2008.

SUMMARY OF MEETING:

1. **CASE FILE LHD 2008-09:** Consideration of the amendment of the local historic district designation of the "Country Club of Coral Gables Historic District" to include the property at **1125 North Greenway Drive**, legally described as Lot 18 and 19, 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, as a contributing structure.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the application. (*Unanimously approved*)

2. **CASE FILE COA (SP) 2008-08:** An application for the issuance of a Special Certificate of Appropriateness for the property located at **475-495 Biltmore Way**, a non-contributing structure within the "Coral Gables City Hall Historic District," legally described as Lots 20-24, and 25-26, Block 4, Coral Gables Biltmore, according to the Plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 20, at Page 28, of the Public Records of Miami-Dade County, Florida. The applicant requested design approval for the construction of an addition, and alteration of the structure. Variances from the Coral Gables Zoning Code have been requested for: the minimum required drive aisle width as required by Article 5, Division 14, Section 5-1402 (A) (3) (f) and (g); the minimum allowable width of ingress and egress driveways as required by Article 5, Division 14, Section 5-1402 (C) (2) (a); the minimum front setback as required by Appendix A – Site Specific Zoning Regulations Section A-12 (C) (5); the maximum allowable roof parapet height as required by Article 5, Division 16, Section 5-1604; and the maximum permitted height of a structure as required by Article 4, Division 3, Section 4-301 (D) (1) (a) and (b).

A motion was made by Mr. Santos and seconded to approve the plans as submitted with the recommendations of staff. Ms. Thomson recommended an amendment to add that the parking be valet-operated and restricted to tenant use only, and that gates would be erected at entrance and exit points. Mr. Santos and Ms. Maroon accepted the amendment. (*Unanimously approved*)

3. **CASE FILE COA (SP) 2008-13:** An application for the issuance of a Special Certificate of Appropriateness for the property located at **1029 Milan Avenue**, a local historic landmark, legally described as Lot 12, Block 23, Coral Gables Granada Section Revised, according to the Plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 8, at Page 113, of the Public Records of Miami-Dade County, Florida. The applicant requested design approval for the construction of an addition, and alteration of the structure.

A motion was made and seconded to approve issuance of a Special Certificate of Appropriateness for the property at 1029 Milan Avenue, including approval of allowing the owner of the opportunity to determine the roof issue between those discussed as he chooses. (*Unanimously approved*)

NEW BUSINESS:

Election of Board Chairperson:

Ms. Maroon made a motion to nominate Ms. Bennett. Ms. Thomson seconded the motion.

Mr. Beeman made a motion to nominate Ms. MacIntyre. Mr. Sanabria seconded the motion.

Ms. Bennett withdrew her name from nomination as her term of office will expire in 2009.

Ms. Thomson made a motion expressing her willingness to serve as Board Chair. Ms. Maroon seconded the motion.

The roll call vote resulted in the election of Ms. MacIntyre as Board Chair.

Election of Board Vice Chair:

Mr. Sanabria made a motion to nominate Ms. Thomson. Ms. Maroon seconded the motion.

Ms. Bennett made a motion to nominate Ms. Meyers. Mr. Santos seconded the motion.

The roll call vote resulted in the election of Ms. Meyers as Board Vice Chair.

ATTACHMENT(S):

1. Historic Preservation Board September 18, 2008 minutes