



**City of Coral Gables
CITY COMMISSION MEETING
May 26, 2015**

ITEM TITLE:

Historic Preservation Board meeting of April 16, 2015.

SUMMARY OF MEETING:

DEFERRALS: Request by Temple Judea to Waive Art in Public Places Fee.

SPECIAL CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS:

CASE FILE COA (SP) 2015-003:

An application for the issuance of a Special Certificate of Appropriateness for the property at 1217 North Greenway Drive, a contributing resource within the "Country Club of Coral Gables Historic District," legally described as Lots 21 and 22, Block 4, Coral Gables Section "E," according to the Plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 8, Page 13 of the Public Records of Miami-Dade County, Florida. The application requests design approval for an addition and alterations to the residence.

A motion was made and seconded to approve to approve issuance of a Special Certificate of Appropriateness for the property at 1217 North Greenway Drive with the condition that the addition have true barrel tile, that the stucco on the new addition be delineated by a line, and that there be double casement windows to the extent that the building code allows. (*Ayes: 8, Nays: 0*)

CASE FILE COA (SP) 2015-006:

An application for the issuance of a Special Certificate of Appropriateness for the property at 290 Alhambra Circle, a Local Historic Landmark, legally described as Lots 1 to 4 Inclusive, Block 28, Coral Gables Section "K," according to the Plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 8, Page 33, of the Public Records of Miami-Dade County, Florida. The application requested design approval for alterations to the structure.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the design alterations to the property at 290 Alhambra Circle and to approve issuance of a Special Certificate of Appropriateness. (*Ayes: 8, Nays: 0*)

STANDARD CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS:

CASE FILE COA (ST) 2015-038:

An application for the issuance of a Standard Certificate of Appropriateness for the property at 611 North Greenway Drive, a contributing resource within the "Country Club of Coral Gables Historic District," legally described as Lot 18 Less ELY 57.78 FT and Lots 19 & 20, Block 22, Coral Gables Section "B," according to the Plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 5, Page 111, of the Public Records of Miami-Dade County, Florida. The application requested design approval for the installation of a wall and gates, the installation of a new front walkway and fountain, and the relocation of the front steps.

A motion was made and seconded to approve with the following conditions: 1) That the wall caps and column bases be constructed with Dominican or native keystone in lieu of precast concrete, with the base being stucco, 2.) The fountain and pedestrian gate be centered on the two-story section of the front facade. 3.) The spears to be removed.

The motion was then withdrawn.

A motion was made and seconded to approve with the following conditions: 1.) Substitute the column precast caps and bases on the wall with native keystone; 2.) The fountain and pedestrian gate be symmetrical on the second story massing, balcony, and window elements; 3.) If code allows, the wall panels flanking the driveway gate be symmetrical; 4.) The spears be removed from the wall; and to approve issuance of a Standard Certificate of Appropriateness to the property at 611 North Greenway Drive. (*Ayes: 6, Nays: 2*)

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE DETERMINATION:

Historical Significance Determination of the property at 325 Madeira Avenue, legally described as Lots 12 and 13, Block 1, Coral Gables Section "K" Revised Plat, according to the Plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 30, Page 60, of the Public Records of Miami-Dade County, Florida.

A motion was made and seconded to deem the property at 325 Madeira Avenue not historically significant due to significant alterations. (*Ayes: 7, Nays: 1*)

BOARD ITEMS: BOARD ITEMS / CITY PROJECTS UPDATE:

New Board Member: Mr. Fullerton was welcomed back to board service.

Nancy Morgan: Ms. Thomson stated that she was aware that Ms. Morgan was in a car accident and suggested that the board or staff send her a card. Ms. Kautz stated that staff would do so.

Florida Trust Conference:

Ms. Kautz reported that the Florida Trust Conference would be held this year in Miami and would begin May 7th. She encouraged board attendance. Ms. MacIntyre informed that registration was available online and that there would be tours—one of which she would be conducting in Coral Gables. Ms. Kautz informed the board that she would e-mail a link to the agenda.

Staff Member Resignation:

Ms. Ahouse stated that she accepted a job as the Historic Preservation Officer for Covington, Kentucky and would be resigning from the Historical Resources Department. She expressed her sadness to leave, having taken great pleasure in working for the City. Ms. Kautz added that staff would miss Ms. Ahouse.

NEW BUSINESS: None