

**City of Coral Gables CITY COMMISSION MEETING** February 13, 2018

# **ITEM TITLE:**

Historic Preservation Board Meeting Minutes of December 21, 2017

# **SUMMARY OF MEETING:**

DEFERRALS: CASE FILE COA (SP) 2017-020:516 Alcazar Avenue

## SPECIAL CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS:

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 inclusive, Block 14, Coral Gables Country Club Section Part One, 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 a sculpture. Variances have also been requested from Article 5, Division 1, Section 5-101 and Article 4, Division 2, Section 4-204 of the Coral Gables Zoning Code for the placement of the sculpture.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the Special Certificate of Appropriateness for the property at 3010 De Soto Boulevard. (*Ayes: 8, Nays: 0*)

A motion was made and seconded to grant the following variances for the property at 3010 De Soto Boulevard:

A variance to allow the sculpture to be located closer to the front or side street of a lot or building site than the main or principal building vs. In no case shall an accessory building or structure be located closer to the front or side street of a lot or building site than the main or principal building as required by Article 5, Division 1, Section 5-101 (C) of the Coral Gables Zoning Code. (*Ayes: 8, Nays: 0*)

A variance to allow the installation of a sculpture to be located four (4) feet, nine (9) inches from the south (front) property line vs. A minimum front setback of twenty-five (25), as required by Article 4, Division 2, Section 4-204 (D) 1 of the Coral Gables Zoning Code. (*Ayes: 8, Nays: 0*)

#### LOCAL HISTORIC DESIGNATIONS:

CASE FILE LHD 2017-015: Consideration of the local historic designation of the property at 39 Sidonia Avenue, legally described as Lot 22, Block 23, Coral Gables Douglas Section, according to the Plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 25, at Page 69 of the Public Records of Miami-Dade County, Florida.

A motion was made and seconded designating the property at 39 Sidonia Avenue as a local historic landmark. (*Ayes: 8, Nays: 0*)

CASE FILE LHD 2017-016: Consideration of the local historic designation of the property at 43 Sidonia Avenue, legally described as Lot 23, Block 23, Coral Gables Douglas Section, according to the Plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 25, at Page 69 of the Public Records of Miami-Dade County, Florida.

A motion was made and seconded designating the property at 43 Sidonia Avenue as a local historic landmark. (*Ayes: 8, Nays: 0*)

## SPECIAL CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS:

CASE FILE COA (SP) 2017-012 Revised: An application for the issuance of a Special Certificate of Appropriateness for the property at 927 Valencia Avenue, a Local Historic Landmark, legally described as Lots 17, 18 and 19, Block 9, Coral Gables Section "A," according to the Plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 5, at Page 102 of the Public Records of Miami-Dade County, Florida. The application requesting design approval for additions and alterations to the residence and sitework was approved with conditions on August 17, 2017. The revision requests design approval of a landscape plan.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the Special Certificate of Appropriateness for the property at 927 Valencia Avenue with the condition that the five live oaks shown be as large as possible at the time of planting. (*Ayes: 4, Nays: 3, Abstained; 1*)

The motion failed.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the landscape plan of Special Certificate of Appropriateness for the property at 927 Valencia Avenue with the condition that the five new live oak trees are to be a minimum of 20 feet (20'-0") in height with an eight inch (8") caliper trunk. (*Ayes: 5, Nays: 2, Abstained; 1*)

CASE FILE COA (SP) 2017-021: An application for the issuance of a Special Certificate of Appropriateness for the property at 611 North Greenway Drive, a contributing resource within "Country Club of Coral Gables Historic District," legally described as Lots 18, 19 and 20, Block 22, Coral Gables Section "B," according to the Plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 5, at Page 111, of the Public Records of Miami-Dade County, Florida. The application requests design approval for the construction of additions and alterations to the residence and sitework. Variances have also been requested from Article 5, Division 1, Section 5-101 and Article 5, Division 1, Section 5-108 of the Coral Gables Zoning Code for the placement of the swimming pool, pool deck, and spa.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the Special Certificate of Appropriateness for 611 North Greenway Drive with Staff conditions. (*Ayes: 6, Nays: 2*)

A motion was made and seconded to approve the following variances:

A variance to allow the swimming pool, pool deck and spa to be located in the area between the street and the main residential building or any part thereof vs. No accessory building or structure may be located in the area between the street and the main residential building or any part thereof as required by Article 5, Division 1, Section 5-101 (B) of the Coral Gables Zoning Code. (*Ayes: 6, Nays: 2*)

A variance to allow the swimming pool, pool deck and spa to be located closer to the front or side street of a lot or building site than the main or principal building vs. In no case shall an accessory building or structure be located closer to the front or side street of a lot or building site than the main or principal building as required by Article 5, Division 1, Section 5-101 (C) of the Coral Gables Zoning Code. (*Ayes: 6, Nays: 2*)

A variance to allow the swimming pool, pool deck and spa to be located within the L of a building located on a corner lot that will be visible from the front and side street elevations vs. On corner lots, swimming pools may be located within an L of the building provided that such L is not visible in both the front and side street elevation as required by Article 5, Division 1, Section 5-108 (H) of the Coral Gables Zoning Code. (*Ayes: 6, Nays: 2*)

A variance to allow the swimming pool, pool deck and spa to be located closer to the front or side street of a lot or building site than the main or principal building vs. In no case shall a swimming pool be located closer to the front or side street of a lot or building site than the main or principal building as required by Article 5, Division 1, Section 5-108 (I) of the Coral Gables Zoning Code. (*Ayes: 6, Nays: 2*)

CASE FILE COA (SP) 2017-022: An application for the issuance of a Special Certificate of Appropriateness for the property at 1119 Coral Way, a contributing resource within the "Coral Rock Residences Thematic Group" and the "Coral Way Historic District" legally described as Lots 15 and 16, Block 10, Coral Gables Section "C," as recorded in Plat Book 8, Page 26, of the Public Records of Miami-Dade County, Florida. The application requests design approval for the construction of additions to the residence and sitework.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the Special Certificate of Appropriateness for 1119 Coral Way with Staff conditions. (Ayes: 8, Nays: 0)

#### **ITEMS FROM THE SECRETARY:**

New City Attorney: Ms. Spain informed the Board that City Attorney Craig Leen resigned from the City to take up a post in Washington and Miriam S. Ramos former Deputy City Attorney has now been promoted to City Attorney voted unanimous by the City Commission.

Lien Search: Ms. Spain presented the Board with the lien search form suggestion made by Chairman Torre at a previous meeting, in order to best inform realtors and the public on the subject of demolition and going through the correct channels.

Board Anniversary: Ms. Spain informed the Board of their 45<sup>th</sup> year anniversary as a Board.

Carlos Cruz-Diez Installation: Ms. Spain informed the Board of the temporary crosswalks exhibition along three streets in the City coordinated through the Arts in Public Places program and with the support of the Mayor.

ATTACHMENT(S): Minutes of Historic Preservation Board Meeting of December 21, 2017.