

ITEM TITLE:

Ordinance on First Reading. An Ordinance of the City of Coral Gables, Florida amending the City of Coral Gables Zoning Code, Article 3, "Development Review", Section 3-606 "Procedures for appeals," to include Dade Heritage Trust Inc. as an "aggrieved party" for the purpose of appeals from the Historic Preservation Board

BRIEF HISTORY:

The City of Coral Gables considers its historic architecture one of the most notable characteristics of the City and considers the preservation of the historic fabric of the City to be of the upmost importance.

Dade Heritage Trust, Inc. was founded in 1972 and is Miami-Dade County's largest preservation organization comprised of paid professional staff in addition to volunteers from throughout the community.

Dade Heritage Trust's mission is to preserve Miami-Dade County's architectural, environmental, and cultural heritage through preservation, education and advocacy efforts.

In order to assure that historical buildings throughout the City are thoroughly protected, the City Commission desires to expand the definition of aggrieved party for appeals from the Historic Preservation Board to include Dade Heritage Trust Inc. to ensure that decisions by the Historic Preservation Board are properly reviewed by those within the City and those outside the City with a vested interest in conserving and protecting historical properties.

ATTACHMENT(S):

1. Draft Ordinance