



NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

The next meeting of the **Historic Preservation Board** will be on **Thursday, April 1st, 2010, at 3:00 PM** in City Hall, 155 Corey Avenue, St. Pete Beach, Florida.

Agenda

Call to order

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Minutes:

- **March 3, 2010**

Discussion Items:

- A) Discussion of concepts for new construction in the Pass-a-Grille Overlay**
- B) General Discussion**

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HISTORIC PRESERVATION BOARD

MINUTES

April 1, 2010

3:00 pm

CALL TO ORDER

The Meeting was called to order by Chairman Pletcher at 3:00 pm.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Tom DeYampert
Frank T. Hurley, Jr.
Melinda Pletcher, Chairman

NOT PRESENT

Ward Friszolowski
Ingrid Jacobus

ALSO PRESENT

Catherine Hartley, Senior Planner

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made that the Minutes of the March 3, 2010 Meeting be approved. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

- A) Concepts for new construction in the Pass-A-Grille Overlay

Chairman Pletcher reminded the Board that they had previously addressed the contributing structures and the redevelopment associated with that. Now the Board will proceed to "fine tune" and "tweak" out the guidelines that will be put in place for new construction.

Catherine Hartley had given the Board a "pattern" book to use as a reference; Chairman Pletcher asked the Board if they should bring back the "pattern" book, give it the "teeth" that it needs and go ahead and get it in place?

Catherine Hartley addressed the Board and briefly described the purpose of the "pattern" book.

Chairman Pletcher asked Ms. Hartley what the Board's goal should be when addressing new development on Pass-A-Grille, i.e. massive scale, different design components, etc. Mr. Hurley suggested that they keep it as simple as possible.

Mr. DeYampert asked the Board what is the atmosphere that they want Pass-A-Grille to end up with, a beach community with lap siding, open porches, metal roofs, etc. a monument style home with stucco and revival, a Mediterranean look? Did the Board talk about a character of the neighborhood that they would like to maintain going forward?

Chairman Pletcher responded by saying that when looking at the photos of addresses the residents said they liked it was a blend however, no one said they liked contemporary houses.

Mr. DeYampert stated that by definition, the city said they wanted it to be an eclectic neighborhood that harbors all types of building styles, whether it be a modular or a big monolithic or a beach house, or whatever. By definition, this is the direction the city wanted to go. They are not talking anything about architectural styles, but we are talking about mass, lot coverage and height. The Board agreed with that definition.

Mr. Hurley stressed that the Board should designate a distinctive character of the neighborhood conservation district particularly pertaining to 7th, 8th and possibly 10th Avenues.

Catherine Hartley stated that the 8th Avenue's Special Area Plan was just approved. The Board had conducted Meetings on zoning district standards specifically on for the 8th Avenue area. So those will move forward to the Planning Board in May.

Mr. DeYampert addressed Mr. Hurley's concerns saying that the area is now an eclectic mix. They are going to have to define what is coveted for the community. Some definitions must be determined, replacing some of that eclectic with a little bit more standardization in the ambiance, nature and the fabric of the neighborhood. First, the Board must decide if that is where they

want to go; secondly, what are those elements, that style, that feeling that they want people to have in Pass-A-Grille as a community; and thirdly, how does the city achieve that.

Mr. DeYampert asked if they could work out some possibilities, have one of their meetings one evening at Pass-A-Grille, invite the community out and ask them if they want this from 32nd south and if so, whatever that is, it should be the same.

If the residents want this to be a beach community, maintain the beach 30s, 40s and 50s feel, Pass-A-Grille, as a Beach Community, that's pretty simple to define. If they want it to be eclectic, then that's nothing more than mass size and land use. He doesn't think that's what the community wants.

B) General Discussion

Catherine Hartley asked the Board if the DonVista building was built before or at the same time as the DonCeSar? There is an urban legend that that is actually where either the developer or the architect of the DonCesar lived during construction. Mr. Hurley suggested that she talk to his ex-sister-in-law and he will have her call Catherine.

Mr. DeYampert again suggested an evening meeting at Pass-A-Grille with the residents to discuss their likes and dislikes as to design and definition. Chairman Pletcher suggested scheduling such a meeting in a couple of weeks before the winter residents leave for the summer. Mr. Hurley asked if they could enforce the desires of the residents and Mr. DeYampert said they could ask the legal department for their opinion on that issue and if the residents of a community want something a certain way, that's not big government forcing it down on them.

The last suggestion that Mr. DeYampert made was that they use pictures from another area and not the existing homes in Pass-A-Grille so someone isn't saying "I don't like your house", etc. Catherine Hartley and Chairman Pletcher agreed with that suggestion.

It was agreed that an evening meeting at Pass-A-Grille will be held around the middle of April; Ms. Hartley will get to work on some pictures and provide them to the Board members by email for their approval.

The next regular Meeting of the Board is scheduled for the 6th of May. At that time, Chairman Pletcher will have a tally of the votes of the residents.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, a motion was made, seconded and carried that the Meeting be adjourned.

Pamala A. Pree for T.M.
Theresa B. McMaster, City Clerk

Melinda Pletcher
Melinda Pletcher, Chairman