

HISTORIC PRESERVATION BOARD

MINUTES

AUGUST 1, 2013

3:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

PRESENT:

Martin Lott, Chairman
Bill Thompson, Member
Ingrid Jacobus, Member (Arrived at 3:05 p.m.)
Maria Lowe, Member

ABSENT:

Chris Marone, Member (excused)

ALSO PRESENT:

George Kinney, Director Community Development
Chelsey S. Welden, Urban Planner
Mary Jo Murphy, Recording Secretary

Chairman Lott stated the minutes for the June 13, 2013 meeting were not included in the agenda packet but wanted the Board to review the minutes to be approved. George Kinney, Director Community Development, suggested that the minutes be deferred until the next meeting in September 2013 and the Board agreed.

1. Action Items

- A. Case #: 2013-0023
Applicant: Tammy & Chris Morrison
Address: 1103 Gulf Way – Contributing structure

Application for Certificate of Appropriateness to take advantage of
Pass-a-Grille Overlay reduced yard setbacks pursuant to Division

20 of the Land Development Code. The evaluation shall apply to the exterior of the structure only.

Chairman Lott asked for the staff report.

Chelsey S. Welden, Urban Planner, stated that this structure has been significantly altered since being surveyed as a contributing structure. The staff's opinion is that it would probably not be considered contributing if it was re-surveyed, but as per code, it does have to be treated as contributing and to follow the guidelines. George Kinney stated that the Board has the ability to suggest, as a condition of approval when the City re-surveys this area in the future, this particular property not be included as a contributing structure.

Ms. Welden stated that the owners could do whatever they want to the exterior of the house and they would not have to approach the Board for approval, but if they make an addition that's going to be encroaching on the underlying setbacks, they need to come to the Board for approval for the Certificate of Appropriateness.

Mr. Thompson asked Ms. Welden to explain the difference between contributing structures and locally designated structures. Ms. Welden commented that this will be in her next presentation but explained the differentiation between the two terms for the Board.

Chairman Lott advised the Board that they needed to go through the guidelines of the Secretary of Interior's Standards to see if the property complies with the standards presently.

Chairman Lott asked if anyone wanted to speak on behalf of the applicant.

Elizabeth Hallock, 632 Bay Street N.E., St. Pete Beach, Florida, 33701, architect for the Morrisons, stated that the plans they presented to the Board is the most in keeping with the neighborhood. Ms. Hallock added if the Board does not approve the COA, they probably will construct a comparable addition that will be closer to Gulf Way in order to stay within the setbacks.

Tamara Morrison, 1103 Gulf Way, St. Pete Beach, Florida 33706, owner, stated that they bought the lot to have a yard for their children.

Chairman Lott reviewed the Secretary of Interior's Standards guidelines with the Board.

Ms. Jacobus made a motion to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness to take advantage of Pass-a-Grille Overlay reduced yard setbacks pursuant to Division 20 of the Land Development Code for the property located at 1103 Gulf Way, St. Pete Beach. The motion was seconded by Member Lowe and unanimously approved by a voice vote.

2. Discussion Items

B. Overview of Historic Preservation Process and Definitions

Ms. Welden spoke about the design standards for Pass-A-Grille and her upcoming presentation of the Historic Preservation Process and Definitions. Ms. Welden asked the Board to have meetings every two weeks to discuss design standards. Chairman Lott suggested that the meetings should be for one hour. The Board agreed on having biweekly meetings beginning on September 19, 2013 at 2:00 p.m. Chairman Lott asked Ms. Welden to send the Board a tentative calendar for the biweekly meetings.

Chairman Lott asked if there was any more Board discussion. There was no further Board discussion.

3. Adjourn

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 4:15 p.m.

Attest:


Rebecca C. Haynes, City Clerk


Martin Lott, Chairman

Minutes approved on: 9/5/13