

HISTORIC PRESERVATION BOARD

MINUTES

DECEMBER 5, 2013

3:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

PRESENT:

Martin Lott, Chairman
Ingrid Jacobus, Member
Maria Lowe, Member
Chris Marone, Member

ABSENT:

Bill Thompson, Member (excused)

ALSO PRESENT:

Chelsey S. Welden, Urban Planner
Mary Jo Murphy, Recording Secretary

1. Approval of November 7, 2013 Meeting Minutes

Member Jacobus made a motion to approve the minutes of November 7, 2013 as written. The motion was seconded by Chairman Lott and unanimously approved by a roll call vote.

2. Action Items

- A. Case #2013-0049
Address: 1007 Gulf Way
Application for local historic designation

Chelsey S. Welden, Urban Planner, stated the applicant, Joseph Caruso, is the applicant for all three cases today. The first application is for local historic designation which must precede the next two cases, Case #2013-0048 and

#2013-0050. It is the staff's opinion that the structure meets all of the criteria for local designation set forth in Sec. 28.22 of the City's Land Development Code.

Joseph Caruso, 1301 Gulf Way, explained he wants to do a transformation to the building and name it the Havana Inn. Mr. Caruso stated he wants to maintain the feel and character of an old building with a historic high-end look.

Member Lowe posed a question if the Board locally designated first and the second and third cases were not approved, would that tie Mr. Caruso into the local designation. Chairman Lott stated that if someone has a locally designated property, they can request to have the local designation removed by sending a letter to staff.

Member Marone made a motion to approve the application for local historic designation in Case #2013-0049 located at 1007 Gulf Way. The motion was seconded by Member Jacobus and unanimously approved by a roll call vote (4-0).

B. Case #2013-0048
Address: 1007 Gulf Way
Application for Certificate of Appropriateness for alterations and for approval of FEMA variance

C. Case #2013-0050
Address: 1007 Gulf Way
Application for variance from Article V, Chapter 98 of the City's Code of Ordinances and Section 7.4 of the City's Land Development Code (FEMA variance)

Chelsey S. Welden, Urban Planner, stated Case #2013-0048 is an application for Certificate of Appropriateness for alterations and for approval of FEMA variance. The plans presented to the Board reflects changes to the structure that will be approved by the Building Official.

Chairman Lott asked the Board if there were any questions for staff and there were no questions for staff.

Mr. Ralph Lickton, 1706 Pass-A-Grille Way, St. Pete Beach, Florida 33706, stated the renovation is primarily to the exterior of the building and explained the planned renovations to the Board.

There was Board discussion about opposition to glass railings, use of stucco, a cupola and arched architectural features.

Mr. Caruso stated that Mr. Lickton had written smooth stucco but Mr. Caruso actually did not prefer the smooth because it would show hairline cracks. Therefore, Mr. Caruso confirmed to the Board that he did want a medium-textured stucco.

Member Lowe explained to Mr. Caruso that since this building was just granted a local historic designation, it requires the Board to adhere to specific rules and to align the structure with materials that are in keeping within the era it was built.

Member Lowe made a motion to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness and variance to Article V, Chapter 98 of the City's Code of Ordinances and Section 7.4 of the City's Land Development Code regarding the City's floodplain management regulations for proposed renovations at 1007 Gulf Way with the following conditions: no glass railing, no arched architectural features and textured cement stucco, Case #2013-0048 and #2013-0050. The motion was seconded by Member Jacobus and unanimously approved by a roll call vote (4-0).

3. General Discussion

Ms. Welden confirmed that the January meeting would be in the second week of January and the Board agreed.

Ms. Lowe thanked Ms. Welden for authoring the letter that was sent, via e-mail, to all the Certified Local Governments in Florida referencing the elevation of historic structures.

4. Adjourn

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 4:21 p.m.

Attest:


Rebecca C. Haynes, City Clerk


Martin Lott, Chairman

Minutes approved on: JAN 9, 2014.