



MIAMI BEACH

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR AND COMMISSION

MEMORANDUM

TO: Jorge M. Gonzalez, City Manager
FROM: Matti Herrera Bower, Mayor *RW for MHB*
DATE: September 7, 2011
SUBJECT: Consent Agenda Item: Referral to Land Use Committee

Please place on the Sept. 14, 2011 Commission meeting agenda a referral to the Land Use Committee of a discussion regarding a resolution passed by the Historic Preservation Board to modify the code governing the voluntary designation of single family homes. The resolution is attached.

I thank you in advance for your cooperation in this matter. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Rebecca Wakefield at extension 6157.

Thank you.

MHB/rw



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OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER

NO. LTC # **123-2011**

LETTER TO COMMISSION

TO: Mayor Matti Herrera Bower and Members of the City Commission

FROM: City Manager Jorge M. Gonzalez

DATE: May 20, 2011

SUBJECT: Historic Preservation Board Resolution – Single Family Designations

Attached, please find a copy of a resolution pertaining to the designation procedures for single family homes, which was adopted by the Historic Preservation Board at their May 10, 2011 meeting. The Board is urging the City Commission of the City of Miami Beach to initiate an amendment to the applicable sections of the City Code pertaining to the voluntary designation of single family homes, in order to include the following modifications:

1. Create a uniform standard for eligible homes that would allow for structures between 20 and 30 years of age to request designation;
2. Create a mechanism for a 'sliding scale' that would apply to homes as each calendar year passes, thus allowing the age of a structure to dictate its eligibility for designation on a continual basis;
3. Replace the 'Pre-1942' standard in section 142-108 of the City Code with a sliding scale that would pertain to all structures 30 years of age and older.

The Administration recommends that the Commission refer this request to the Land Use and Development Committee for review and consideration.

JMG/JSG/RGL:TRM

- C: Jorge G. Gomez, Assistant City Manager
- Jose Smith, City Attorney
- Gary Held, First Assistant City Attorney
- Bob Parcher, City Clerk
- Richard G. Lorber, Acting Planning Director

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**CITY OF MIAMI BEACH
HISTORIC PRESERVATION BOARD**

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the City of Miami Beach Historic Preservation Board is charged by Ordinance as serving in an advisory capacity to the City Commission and other City Boards on issues affecting the City's architecture, design, historic districts and structures; and

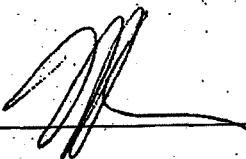
WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation Board strongly supports the efforts of the City to promote and enhance its unique social and architectural history through the preservation of single family homes throughout the City; and

WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation Board strongly supports and encourages the efforts of the City to maintain, preserve and protect its historic buildings and architecture as valuable historical, educational and visual resources for its residents and visitors.

THEREFORE, it is hereby resolved that the Historic Preservation Board urges the City Commission of the City of Miami Beach to initiate an amendment to the applicable sections of the City Code pertaining to the voluntary designation of single family homes, in order to include the following modifications:

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PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 10th DAY OF MAY, 2011.



HERB SOSA
Chair
Historic Preservation Board

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