

**CITY OF PUNTA GORDA, FLORIDA
HISTORIC PRESERVATION ADVISORY BOARD MEETING MINUTES
NOVEMBER 18, 2021, 9:00 A.M.**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Peterman, Chair
Andreae, Colbert, Magnin, Perry, Ponte

MEMBERS ABSENT: Frohlich, Gamblin

OTHERS PRESENT: Fabiana Solano, Planner; Jeff Lustig

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Peterman called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. Jeff Lustig commented on the proposed restoration for the AC Freeman House, requesting members provide City Council with feedback regarding the funding for same.

1) APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1.a September 23, 2021 Meeting Minutes

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09-23-2021 Minutes

Ms. Andreae **MOVED** approval of the September 23, 2021, minutes, **SECONDED** by Ms. Colbert. **MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.**

2) CERTIFICATES OF APPROPRIATENESS

2.a CA-31-2021 - 708 West Olympia Avenue - Certificate of Appropriateness - Information Only - Roof

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Ms. Fabiana Solano, Planner, briefly reviewed the information considered during staff's evaluation of CA-31-2021, concluding staff approved the request administratively.

2.b CA-32-2021 - 413 West Retta Esplanade - Certificate of Appropriateness - Information Only - Structure

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Ms. Solano briefly reviewed the information considered during staff's evaluation of CA-32-2021, concluding staff approved the request administratively.

3) GENERAL BUSINESS

No items.

STAFF COMMENTS

[Trabue Plaques and Harborwalk Re-Dedication Update](#)

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Ms. Solano announced City Council approved an amendment to the fiscal year 2021/2022 budget for the required Trabue Plaques as well as for the repairs and rehabilitation of the markers at Harborwalk East and the Adrienne Trail Head entrance. She stated a purchase order was issued for the manufacturing and installation of the cast bronze plaques and historical marker pedestals, concluding completion of the project was anticipated by April 2022 and a rededication of the Harborwalk would be scheduled following same.

Ms. Ponte questioned whether the Ponce de Leon markers at Gilchrist Park would be updated.

Ms. Solano replied same was not part of the project; however, staff would explore options if members desired.

Ms. Peterman suggested revisions to the plaques at Gilchrist Park coincide with the project to revise the existing plaques at Ponce de Leon Park. She then recalled discussion by City Council at their November 17, 2021, meeting regarding the AC Freeman House, opining the Board should be involved with the project. She indicated the process to register the house should proceed, suggesting the status of the AC Freeman House be discussed at the December 29, 2021, meeting; additionally, Ms. Sandy Moon from the Historical Society should be contacted to provide the Board with an update of the rehabilitation work completed at the Historic Train Depot. She then stated the City was qualified to be part of the historic community designated by the State, adding same would assist with grants. She indicated she was the president of the Civic Association for the Historic District and there were many conversations regarding the historic element in the Land Development Regulations, opining the Board would be interested in same as it applied to their ability to preserve historic structures. She stated the discussion included designation of funds from the City that could be used to relocate a structure.

Ms. Andreae added assistance with funding could help provide individuals with alternatives to demolishing a structure.

Ms. Solano indicated a myriad of funds would be available for loans on projects if the historic town designation was granted.

Ms. Peterman stated more protection was needed for historic structures and the AC Freeman House provided an opportunity to develop a meaningful strategy.

Ms. Solano concluded she would provide updates to members at the next meeting.

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Ms. Peterman pointed out the 2022 meeting dates were included in the agenda material.

MEMBER COMMENTS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:27 a.m.

Chair

Recording Secretary