



**BARRIO LATINO COMMISSION
PUBLIC HEARING**

MEETING DATE: Tuesday, July 25, 2023
TIME: 9:00 AM
LOCATION: Old City Hall, 315 E. Kennedy Blvd, 3rd Floor, Tampa, FL 33602

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER - Chair Rich Simmons called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and gave instructions to petitioners regarding procedures at the Public Hearing.

SILENT ROLL CALL - Alexis Guzman completed the roll call.
Commissioners Present: Levy Nguyen, Rich Simmons, Roberto Torres, and Liz Welch
Commissioners Arriving
After Roll Call: Thomas Hammer
Commissioners Absent: Jose Perez, Jose Gelats, John Thompson, and Jose Perez
Staff Present: Dennis Fernandez, Ron Vila, Heather Bonds and Alexis Guzman

INTRODUCTIONS – Chair Simmons introduced himself. Commissioners present introduced themselves.

READING OF THE MINUTES OF APRIL 25, 2023 – By motion the minutes stand as read by unanimous consent.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – Dennis Fernandez, Architectural Review & Historic Preservation Manager

- Presented the May and June staff approvals in the packets.

Motion: Levy Nguyen **Second:** Roberto Torres
Moved to accept the staff approvals for May 2023 into the record.
Motion was approved with a vote of 4-0-0.

Motion: Levy Nguyen **Second:** Liz Welch
Moved to accept the staff approvals for June 2023 into the record.
Motion was approved with a vote of 4-0-0.

EX PARTE COMMUNICATIONS/ CONFLICT OF INTEREST STATEMENTS – Dana CrosbyCollier
None submitted.

CONTINUATIONS –

None submitted.

SWEAR-IN – Alexis Guzman swore in all owners, applicants, staff, interested parties, and witnesses in chambers at 315 E. Kennedy Blvd., Tampa, FL 33602.

ITEMS TO BE REVIEWED:

BLC 22-219 OWNER: Nelida Cartagena
AGENT: Nelida Cartagena
DISTRICT: Ybor City
LOCATION: 1216 Holmes Avenue
REQUEST: **Certificate of Appropriateness - Modification: Replace Windows with Vinyl Windows**
PURPOSE: Residential

Commissioner Thomas Hammer arrived during staff presentation.

Public comment: None submitted.

Motion: Levy Nguyen **Second:** Liz Welch

Move to grant a continuance in case BLC 22-219 for the property located at 1216 Holmes Avenue to the September 26, 2023, Public Hearing at 9:00 a.m.

Motion was approved with a vote of 5-0-0.

BLC 23-110 OWNER: Duck 1103, LLC
AGENT: Alvaro Rodriguez
DISTRICT: Ybor City
LOCATION: 942 E. 11th Avenue, Unit 1
REQUEST: **Certificate of Appropriateness - New Construction: Single Family Residential Site Improvements**
PURPOSE: Residential

John Marsh, City of Tampa Transportation, provided an assessment on this project.

Public comment:

Bennie Taylor, 924 E 11th Avenue, spoke on this project.

Motion: Levy Nguyen **Second:** Liz Welch

Move to grant a Certificate of Appropriateness for the drawings and documents presented at this Public Hearing in BLC 23-110 for the property located at 942 E. 11th Avenue Unit 1, with the following conditions:

- Provide a survey showing utilities and protected trees within 20' of the alley
- Platted alley needs to be improved and utilities improved to City of Tampa standards at the applicants' expense

Because, based upon the finding of fact, the proposed project is consistent with the Ybor City Design Guidelines of the City of Tampa, for the following reasons, that it meets the design criteria for new construction and additions based on the height, width, façade width, setbacks, spacing, alignment, similarity of details and forms, and building materials.

Motion was approved with a vote of 5-0-0.

BLC 23-111 OWNER: Duck 1103, LLC
 AGENT: Alvaro Rodriguez
 DISTRICT: Ybor City
 LOCATION: 942 E. 11th Avenue, Unit 2
 REQUEST: **Certificate of Appropriateness** - New Construction: Single Family Residential
 Site Improvements
 PURPOSE: Residential

Public comment: None submitted.

Motion: Levy Nguyen **Second:** Liz Welch

Move to grant a Certificate of Appropriateness for the drawings and documents presented at this Public Hearing in BLC 23-111 for the property located at 942 E. 11th Avenue Unit 2, with the following conditions:

- Provide a survey showing utilities and protected trees within 20' of the alley
- Platted alley needs to be improved and utilities improved to City of Tampa standards at the applicants' expense
- Window and door must be simulated divided lights with grilles on the exterior and between all glass on the house; not grille between the glass
- Work with staff to finalize door and accessory details

Because, based upon the finding of fact, the proposed project is consistent with the Ybor City Design Guidelines of the City of Tampa, for the following reasons, that it meets the design criteria for new construction and additions based on the height, width, façade width, setbacks, spacing, alignment, similarity of details and forms, and building materials.

Motion was approved with a vote of 5-0-0.

A Five-minute recess was observed at this time

BLC 23-121 OWNER: Renee Behr
AGENT: Juan Rivera
DISTRICT: Ybor City
LOCATION: 1307 N. 23rd Street
REQUEST: **Certificate of Appropriateness - New Construction: Single Family Residential**
PURPOSE: Residential
Site Improvements

Public comment: None submitted.

Motion: Levy Nguyen **Second:** Liz Welch

Move to grant a continuance in case BLC 23-121 for the property located at 1307 N. 23rd Street to the September 26, 2023, Public Hearing at 9:00 a.m.

Motion was approved with a vote of 5-0-0.

Commissioner Roberto Torres left the Public Hearing, maintaining a quorum of four.

BLC 23-122 OWNER: Instant Property Solution LLC and Castro Realty Investment
AGENT: Michael Rodriguez
DISTRICT: Ybor City
LOCATION: 1210 E. 18th Avenue
REQUEST: **Certificate of Appropriateness - Demolition: Contributing Structure**
PURPOSE: Residential

Public comment: None submitted.

Motion: Levy Nguyen **Second:** Liz Welch

Move to deny a Certificate of Appropriateness to demolish in BLC 23-122, for the property located at 1210 E. 18th Avenue, though the agent has satisfied the submission requirements for Chapter 27-99 of the City of Tampa ordinance, the contributing building was demolished by the applicant/property owner without a Certificate of Appropriateness or building permit. In doing so, the architectural integrity of the building was compromised intentionally and therefore the BLC shall deny the application for demolition.

Specifically, Section 27-99(4) for the Self-imposed Economic Hardship; "if the applicant has compromised the architectural integrity of the building or structure by intentionally or willfully neglecting the property the BLC shall deny the application for demolition." As part of this motion, the commission will allow staff the authority to clear the site as needed for public safety.

Motion was approved with a vote of 4-0-0.

Motion: Levy Nguyen **Second:** Liz Welch

Moved to accept the documents and exhibits presented into the record.

Motion was approved with a vote of 4-0-0.

NEW BUSINESS

No business to bring forward currently.

ADJOURNMENT – Without objection the meeting was adjourned at 1:19 p.m.

MINUTES APPROVED: _____

Chair



Dated

08.27.23

