

**FLORIDA BUILDING COMMISSION
ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COUNCIL
CONFERENCE CALL/WEBINAR
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December 7, 2020
2:00 P.M.**

ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COUNCIL PRESENT:

Joe Del Vecchio, Chairman
Allison Klein
Darlene Laibl-Crowe
Paul Martell

Beth Meyer
Paul Viksne
James Woolyhand

ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COUNCIL NOT PRESENT:

STAFF PRESENT:

Mo Madani
Justin Vogel
Marlita Peters
Robert Benbow

Thomas Campbell
Chris Howell
Chip Sellers

Welcome:

Time: 2:00 p.m.

Ms. Peters welcomed everyone to the meeting of the Accessibility Advisory Council.

Roll Call:

Ms. Peters performed roll call for the Accessibility Advisory Council. A quorum was determined with 7 members present on the call.

Agenda Approval:

Ms. Laibl-Crowe entered a motion to accept today's agenda as posted. Mr. Del Vecchio seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with a vote of 7 to 0.

Approval of Minutes October 1, 2020:

Mr. Viksne entered a motion to approve the minutes from October 1, 2020 as posted. Ms. Laibl-Crowe seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with a vote of 7 to 0.

Commission's action on October 13, 2020 waiver applications:

Mr. Madani provided the actions taken by the Commission on the waivers recommended by the Council from the October 13, 2020, Commission meeting.

Accessibility Waivers:

Porter Mansion – Waiver 482 - 510 N. Julia Street, Jacksonville 32202 - Issue: Vertical accessibility to the second floor and attic.

Mr. Sellers presented the waiver request with staff analysis and advised that the staff recommends granting the request for waiver for vertical accessibility on the grounds of historical nature of the property.

Mr. Del Vecchio entered a motion to grant the request for a waiver for vertical accessibility to the second floor and attic based on the grounds of historical nature of the property. Ms. Kline seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with a vote of 7 to 0.

226 Jefferson – Waiver 408 - 226 Jefferson Ave, Miami Beach 33139 - Issue: Vertical accessibility to the first floor.

Mr. Benbow presented the waiver request with staff analysis and advised that the staff recommends granting the request for waiver for vertical accessibility on the grounds of economic hardship.

Mr. Guerra was on the line representing the property and available for questions.

Mr. Viksne entered a motion to grant the request for a waiver for vertical accessibility to the first floor based on the grounds of economic hardship. Mr. Del Vecchio seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with a vote of 7 to 0.

Alex Harris – Waiver 478 - 331 West Forsyth Street, Jacksonville 32202 - Issue: Vertical accessibility to the second floor.

Mr. Sellers presented the waiver request with staff analysis and advised that the staff recommends granting the request for waiver for vertical accessibility on the grounds of economic hardship.

Mr. Harris was on the line representing the property for questions.

Mr. Del Vecchio inquired if the venue's second floor would still be in use when social distancing is no longer in effect.

Mr. Harris advised yes, as long as they are the tenants of the building.

Mr. Del Vecchio expressed his concerns as this modification is being completed due to Covid-19 and will continue to be used after social distancing is no longer required.

Mr. Sellers stated this would not be relevant, since with the respect to meeting the economic hardship guidelines it would not make a difference that the space would be in continued use.

Ms. Laibl-Crowe entered a motion to grant the request for a waiver for vertical accessibility to the second floor based on the grounds of economic hardship. Mr. Woolyhand seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with a vote of 7 to 0.

Villa Cinco – Waiver 495 - 1420 Collins Avenue, Miami Beach 33139 – Issue: Vertical accessibility to the second-floor units.

Emily Balter, Matthew Amster and Mauricio Salazar were on the line representing the property.

Mr. Sellers presented the waiver request with staff analysis and advised that the staff recommends granting the request for waiver for vertical accessibility on the grounds of technical infeasibility and historical nature of the property.

Mr. Martel questioned why there could not be an additional ADA room added to the first floor.

Ms. Meyer had similar concerns about having an additional ADA room.

Ms. Balter provided full floor plans of the change of use and construction to the current historical building. Mr. Salazar also provided additional information on the set up and limitations of the changes. He also stated that the Miami Building Official approved the one room ADA addition to the business.

Mr. Madani stated the current ADA requirements are listed for new construction and would not apply to this project. He further stated that this request meets the requirements for the waiver.

Mr. Del Vecchio entered a motion to grant the request for a waiver for vertical accessibility to the second-floor units based on the grounds of technical infeasibility and historical nature of the property. Mr. Viksne seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 5 in favor and 2 opposed.

Norman J Clement Community Center – Waiver 334 - 730 Wailes Street, Tallahassee 32303 - Issue: Vertical accessibility to the second floor.

Mr. Sellers presented the waiver request with staff analysis and advised that the staff recommends granting the request for waiver for vertical accessibility on the grounds of economic hardship.

Mr. Madani advised of corrections to the cost percentage in the analysis, since the percentage increased, the recommendation remained the same.

Gary Feldman was on the call representing this property.

Mr. Martel asked who this establishment is representing and who it is servicing.

Norman J Clement Community Center – Waiver 334 - 730 Wailes Street, Tallahassee 32303 (cont.):

Mr. Feldman stated the Alumni Association and it would provide services to the college campus and high schools and that the second floor is all administrative office space.

Ms. Laibl-Crowe entered a motion to grant the request for a waiver for vertical accessibility to the second floor based on the grounds of economic hardship. Mr. Del Vecchio seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with a vote of 7 to 0.

Krenwal Corporation – Waiver 485 - 220 Collins Ave, Miami Beach 33139 - Issue: Vertical accessibility to the second floor.

Mr. Benbow presented the waiver request with staff analysis and advised that the staff recommends granting the request for waiver for vertical accessibility on the grounds of economic hardship and technical infeasibility.

Charles Benson, architect was on the line representing the property to answer any questions.

Ms. Kline wanted to know about the use of the building.

Mr. Benson stated this is a group of condos and this unit is going to be a seasonal or short-term rental.

Mr. Viksne entered a motion to grant the request for a waiver for vertical accessibility to the second floor based on the grounds of economic hardship and technical infeasibility. Ms. Laibl-Crowe seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with a vote of 7 to 0.

Public Comment: None

POC Comment: None

Final Roll Call:

Ms. Peters performed a final roll call and there were 7 members remaining on the line.

Adjournment:

There being no further business before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 2:56 p.m.