



**CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE
City Commission Agenda Memo
REGULAR MEETING**

#16-0826

TO: Honorable Mayor & Members of the
Fort Lauderdale City Commission

FROM: Lee R. Feldman, ICMA-CM, City Manager

DATE: July 12, 2016

TITLE: Motion to Consider a City Commissioner's Request for Review- Flagler
626 - Case R16010

Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission analyze the proposal and decide whether to set a hearing to review the application known as Flagler 626 (Case R16010), a 97-unit residential condominium project proposed at 626 NE 1st Avenue.

Background

The City Clerk has received a statement of intent filed by Vice-Mayor Dean Trantalis, pursuant to the City of Fort Lauderdale Unified Land Development Regulations (ULDR) Section 47-26A.2, City Commission Request for Review (CCRR) to review the Planning & Zoning Board (PZB) approval of Flagler 626, a 127-foot 2-inches tall, multi-family residential project proposed at 626 NE 1st Avenue, in the Regional Activity Center-Urban Village (RAC-UV) zoning district. The site plan, renderings and elevations are provided as Exhibit 1. A full set of plans is available upon request. The PZB staff report is available as Exhibit 2.

The Development Review Committee (DRC) reviewed the Flagler 626 project on March 22, 2016. The project was approved by the PZB on June 15, 2016, by a vote of 5 to 4.

Following the PZB hearing and based on feedback at the meeting, additional project improvements were discussed with the applicant, including reconfiguring the ground floor of the garage to internalize loading and trash pick-up functions.

Pursuant to ULDR Section 47-26A.2., City Commission Request for Review:

- A. If an application for development permit is approved or denied and the ULDR provides for City Commission Request for Review (CCRR) as shown in Table 1 of Section 47-24, Development Permits and Procedures, or other provision of the ULDR, the City Commission may adopt a motion to set a hearing to review the application if it is found that the new project is in an area which due to characteristics of the project and the surrounding area requires additional review in

order to ensure that development standards and criteria have been met and to ensure that the area surrounding the development is protected from the impacts of the development. The process for CCRR may be initiated by a statement of intent filed by any member of the City Commission with the City Clerk with a copy to the department. Except as provided herein, the motion shall be considered within thirty (30) days of the decision by the lower body.

- B. The motion approving a CCRR shall set a date for consideration of the application no later than sixty (60) days from the date the motion is adopted. Notice of the hearing shall be given to the public by posting a sign at least ten (10) days before the hearing in accordance with Section 47-27, Notice Procedures for Public Hearing. Review by the City Commission shall be by de novo hearing supplemented by the record below and the same standards and criteria applicable to the development permit shall be applied. At the conclusion of the hearing the City Commission shall take action approving, approving with conditions or denying the application.

The City Commission may adopt a motion to set a hearing to review the application if it is found that the proposed project is in an area which due to characteristics of the project and the surrounding area requires additional review in order to ensure that development standards and criteria have been met and to ensure that the area surrounding the development is protected from the impacts of the development.

Should the City Commission wish to proceed with the CCRR request, a hearing may be set on August 16, 2016 to comply with the requisite sixty (60) day period to set a date for consideration of the application relative to Flagler 626.

Resource Impact

There is no fiscal impact associated with this action.

Attachments

Exhibit 1 – Site Plan, Building Elevations & Renderings

Exhibit 2 – PZB Staff Report

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