

**HISTORIC PRESERVATION BOARD**  
**City of Miami Beach, Florida**

MEETING DATE: November 18, 2025

PROPERTY/FOLIO: 1440 Michigan Avenue / 02-4203-009-6980

FILE NO: HPB24-0640

APPLICANT: Qriar Rental Michigan, LLC,

IN RE: An application for a Certificate of Appropriateness for the construction of a new 3-story multifamily building with an understory, including a waiver to exceed the maximum allowable lot coverage, to replace an existing parking lot, to be demolished.

LEGAL: Lots 1 And 24, Block 93 Of Ocean Beach, Fla Addition No. 3, According To The Plat Thereof As Recorded In Plat Book 2, Page 81, Of The Public Records Of Miami-Dade County, Florida. Together With 20 Feet Of Vacated Alley Lying Between Lots 1 And 24, Block 93 By Resolution No. 73-14219 Recorded In Book 29623, Page 2824 Of The Public Records Of Miami-Dade County, Florida.

**ORDER**

The City of Miami Beach Historic Preservation Board makes the following FINDINGS OF FACT, based upon the evidence, information, testimony and materials presented at the public hearing and which are part of the record for this matter:

**I. Certificate of Appropriateness**

- A. The subject site is located within the Flamingo Local Historic District.
- B. Based on the plans and documents submitted with the application, testimony and information provided by the applicant, and the reasons set forth in the Planning Department Staff Report, the project as submitted:
  1. Is not consistent with Sea Level Rise and Resiliency Review Criteria 'A' in section 7.1.2.4(a)(1) of the Land Development Regulations.
  2. Is consistent with Certificate of Appropriateness Criteria in section 2.13.7(d)(ii)(1) of the Land Development Regulations.
  3. Is not consistent with Certificate of Appropriateness Criteria 'b' and 'j' in section 2.13.7(d)(ii)(2) of the Land Development Regulations.
  4. Is not consistent with Certificate of Appropriateness Criteria 'a', 'b', and 'c' in section 2.13.7(d)(vi)(4) of the Land Development Regulations.

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- C. The project would be consistent with the criteria and requirements of sections 2.13.7(d) and 7.1.2.4(a) of Land Development Regulations if the following conditions are met:
1. Revised elevation, site plan and floor plan drawings shall be submitted, and at a minimum, such drawings shall incorporate the following:
    - a. The backflow preventer shall be located within the structure, in a manner to be reviewed and approved by staff consistent with the Certificate of Appropriateness Criteria and/or the directions from the Board.
    - b. Final details of all exterior surface finishes and materials, including samples, shall be submitted, in a manner to be reviewed and approved by staff consistent with the Certificate of Appropriateness Criteria and/or the directions from the Board.
    - c. The final location and details of all exterior ramp and railings systems, including materials, dimensions and finishes, shall be provided in a manner to be reviewed and approved by staff consistent with the Certificate of Appropriateness Criteria and/or the directions from the Board.
    - d. All roof-top fixtures, air-conditioning units and mechanical devices shall be clearly noted on a revised roof plan and elevation drawings and shall be screened from view, in a manner to be reviewed and approved by staff, consistent with the Certificate of Appropriateness Criteria and/or the directions from the Board.
  2. A revised landscape plan, prepared by a Professional Landscape Architect, registered in the State of Florida, and corresponding site plan, shall be submitted to and approved by staff. The species type, quantity, dimensions, spacing, location and overall height of all plant material shall be clearly delineated and subject to the review and approval of staff. At a minimum, such plan shall incorporate the following:
    - a. The use of artificial plants anywhere on the exterior of the property, including within the balcony planters, shall be prohibited.
    - b. The final design and details of the proposed balcony planters shall be provided, including irrigation and drainage, in a manner to be reviewed and approved by staff.
    - c. All landscaping shown and approved on the exterior of the premises, including within the balcony planters, shall be maintained with Florida friendly drought-tolerant plants, subject to the review and approval of staff. Any proposal to remove or minimize the balcony planters shall require the review and approval of the board, as a modification to this Certificate of Appropriateness.
    - d. A fully automatic irrigation system with 100% coverage and an automatic rain sensor in order to render the system inoperative in the event of rain.
    - e. The project design shall minimize the potential for a project causing a heat island effect on site.

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- f. Cool pavement materials or porous pavement materials shall be utilized, if applicable.
- g. A Silva Cell Rooting system or approved equivalent shall be provided with the required canopy shade trees in the public ROW facing Michigan Avenue and Lenox Avenue subject to the review and approval of the City's Urban Forester. In the event that existing underground utilities prevent the installation of any of the required trees, a contribution to the Tree Trust Fund should be submitted equivalent to cost of material and installation inclusive of irrigation, landscape uplighting (two fixtures per tree), silva cell or approved equivalent, planting soil, trees, and bound aggregate.

In accordance with section 2.2.4.8(c) of the **Land Development Regulations** the applicant, the City Manager, Miami Design Preservation League, Dade Heritage Trust, or an affected person may appeal the Board's decision on a Certificate of Appropriateness to a special magistrate appointed by the City Commission.

## II. Variance(s)

- A. No variances were filed as part of this application.

## III. General Terms and Conditions applying to both 'I. Certificate of Appropriateness' and 'II. Variances' noted above.

- A. The applicant agrees and shall be required to provide access to areas subject to this approval (not including private residences or hotel rooms) for inspection by the City (i.e.: Planning, Code Compliance, Building Department, Fire Safety), to ensure compliance with the plans approved by the Board and conditions of this order.
- B. A recycling/salvage plan shall be provided as part of the submittal for a demolition/building permit, in a manner to be reviewed and approved by staff.
- C. The issuance of a building permit is contingent upon meeting Public School Concurrency requirements, if applicable. Applicant shall obtain a valid School Concurrency Determination Certificate (Certificate) issued by the Miami-Dade County Public Schools. The Certificate shall state the number of seats reserved at each school level. In the event sufficient seats are not available, a proportionate share mitigation plan shall be incorporated into a tri-party development agreement and duly executed. No building permit may be issued unless and until the applicant obtains a written finding from Miami-Dade County Public Schools that the applicant has satisfied school concurrency.
- D. The relocation of any tree shall be subject to the approval of the Environment & Sustainability Director and/or Urban Forester, as applicable.
- E. Where one or more parcels are unified for a single development, the property owner shall execute and record a unity of title or a covenant in lieu of unity of title, as may be applicable, in a form acceptable to the City Attorney.

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- F. All applicable FPL transformers or vault rooms and backflow prevention devices shall be located within the main building setbacks with the exception of the valve (PIV) which may be visible and accessible from the street.
- G. A copy of all pages of the recorded Final Order shall be scanned into the plans submitted for building permit and shall be located immediately after the front cover page of the permit plans.
- H. The Final Order shall be recorded in the Public Records of Miami-Dade County, prior to the issuance of a Building Permit.
- I. Satisfaction of all conditions is required for the Planning Department to give its approval on a Certificate of Occupancy; a Temporary Certificate of Occupancy or Partial Certificate of Occupancy may also be conditionally granted Planning Departmental approval.
- J. The Final Order is not severable, and if any provision or condition hereof is held void or unconstitutional in a final decision by a court of competent jurisdiction, the order shall be returned to the Board for reconsideration as to whether the order meets the criteria for approval absent the stricken provision or condition, and/or it is appropriate to modify the remaining conditions or impose new conditions.
- K. The conditions of approval herein are binding on the applicant, the property's owners, operators, and all successors in interest and assigns.
- L. Nothing in this order authorizes a violation of the City Code or other applicable law, nor allows a relaxation of any requirement or standard set forth in the City Code.
- M. Upon the issuance of a final Certificate of Occupancy or Certificate of Completion, as applicable, the project approved herein shall be maintained in accordance with the plans approved by the board and shall be subject to all conditions of approval herein, unless otherwise modified by the Board. Failure to maintain shall result in the issuance of a Code Compliance citation, and continued failure to comply may result in revocation of the Certificate of Occupancy, Completion and Business Tax Receipt.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, based upon the foregoing findings of fact, the evidence, information, testimony and materials presented at the public hearing, which are part of the record for this matter, and the staff report and analysis, which are adopted herein, including the staff recommendations, which were amended and adopted by the Board, that the application is GRANTED for the above-referenced project subject to those certain conditions specified in Paragraph I, II, III of the Findings of Fact, to which the applicant has agreed.

PROVIDED, the applicant shall build substantially in accordance with the plans entitled "**Miami Beach Apartments**", as prepared by Eric Chancellor, dated September 7<sup>th</sup>, 2025, as approved by the Historic Preservation Board, as determined by staff.

When requesting a building permit, the plans submitted to the Building Department for permit shall be consistent with the plans approved by the Board, modified in accordance with the conditions

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set forth in this Order. No building permit may be issued unless and until all conditions of approval that must be satisfied prior to permit issuance, as set forth in this Order, have been met.

The issuance of the approval does not relieve the applicant from obtaining all other required Municipal, County and/or State reviews and permits, including final zoning approval. If adequate handicapped access is not provided on the Board-approved plans, this approval does not mean that such handicapped access is not required. When requesting a building permit, the plans submitted to the Building Department for permit shall be consistent with the plans approved by the Board, modified in accordance with the conditions set forth in this Order.

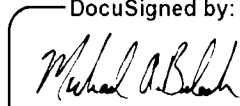
If the Full Building Permit for the project is not issued within eighteen (18) months of the meeting date at which the original approval was granted, the application will expire and become null and void, unless the applicant makes an application to the Board for an extension of time, in accordance with the requirements and procedures of section 2.13.7 of the Land Development Regulations; the granting of any such extension of time shall be at the discretion of the Board. If the Full Building Permit for the project should expire for any reason (including but not limited to construction not commencing and continuing, with required inspections, in accordance with the applicable Building Code), the application will expire and become null and void.

In accordance with chapter 2 of the Land Development Regulations, the violation of any conditions and safeguards that are a part of this Order shall be deemed a violation of the land development regulations. Failure to comply with this Order shall subject the application to chapter 2 of the Land Development Regulations, for revocation or modification of the application.

Dated 3/10/2026 | 11:15 PM EDT

HISTORIC PRESERVATION BOARD  
THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA

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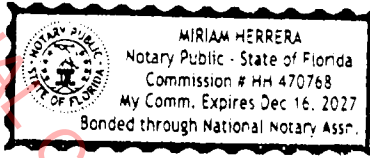
Michael A. Belush, AICP  
Planning & Design Officer  
For the Chair

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The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 11 day of March 2026 by Michael A. Belush, Planning & Design Officer, Planning Department, City of Miami Beach, Florida, a Florida Municipal Corporation, on behalf of the corporation. He is personally known to me.



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