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## **Historical Significance Determination Letter for 826 Ortega Avenue**

September 25, 2025

Virginia Vich  
826 Ortega Avenue  
Coral Gables, FL 33134

Re: 826 Ortega Avenue, legally described as Lot 5 & W25FT Lot 6, Block 7, Coral Gables Granada Section, according to the Plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 8, at Page 113, of the Public Records of Miami-Dade County, Florida.

Dear Ms. Vich,

Section 8-107(G) of the Coral Gables Zoning Code states that “All demolition permits for non-designated buildings and/or structures must be approved by the Historic Preservation Officer or designee. The approval is valid for eighteen (18) months from issuance and shall thereafter expire and the approval is deemed void unless the demolition permit has been issued by the Development Services Department. The Historic Preservation Officer may require review by the Historic Preservation Board if the building and/or structure to be demolished is eligible for designation as a local historic landmark or as a contributing building, structure, or property within an existing local historic landmark district. This determination of eligibility is preliminary in nature and the final public hearing before the Historic Preservation Board on Local Historic Designation shall be within ninety (90) days from the Historic Preservation Officer determination of “eligibility.” Consideration by the Board may be deferred by mutual agreement by the property owner and the Historic Preservation Officer. The Historic Preservation Officer may require the filing of a written application on the forms prepared by the Department and may request additional background information to assist the Board in its consideration of eligibility. Independent analysis by a consultant selected by the City may be required to assist in the review of the application. All fees associated with the analysis shall be the responsibility of the applicant. The types of reviews that could be conducted may include but are not limited to the following: property appraisals; archeological assessments; and historic assessments.”

Therefore, please be advised that after careful research and study of our records and the information you presented the following information has been determined:

826 Ortega Avenue, legally described as Lot 5 & W25FT Lot 6, Block 7, Coral Gables Granada Section, according to the Plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 8, at Page 113, of the Public Records of Miami-Dade County, Florida, *does meet* the minimum eligibility criteria for designation as a local historic landmark.

Pursuant to Article 8, Section 8-103 of the Coral Gables Zoning Code, the property *may* be eligible for historic designation under the following criteria:

**Historical, Cultural significance**

4. *Exemplifies the historical, cultural, political, economic, or social trends of the community.*

**Architectural significance**

1. *Portrays the environment in an era of history characterized by one (1) or more distinctive architectural styles*
2. *Embodies those distinguishing characteristics of an architectural style, or period, or method of construction*

**Please note, the final report may include additional criteria or exclude others after further research is completed.**

**Therefore, pursuant to Section 8-107(G) of the Coral Gables Zoning Code, consideration of the local historic landmark designation of the property has been tentatively scheduled for review by the City of Coral Gables Historic Preservation Board on Thursday, November 20, 2025. The meeting begins at 4:00 PM in Coral Gables City Hall, 405 Biltmore Way. The designation report and agenda will be sent to you as soon as they are available.**

Any change from the foregoing may be made upon a demonstration of a change in the material facts upon which this determination was made.

If you have any further questions concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to contact this office.

Sincerely,



Anna Pernas,  
Historic Preservation Officer

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- Dayron Garcia, 306 Anglers Drive, Marathon, FL 33050
- Michael Maxwell, Chair, Historic Preservation Board
- Cristina M. Suárez, City Attorney
- Stephanie Throckmorton, Deputy City Attorney

- Gustavo Ceballos, Assistant City Attorney
- Douglas Ramirez, Development Services Assistant Director
- Jennifer Garcia, City Planner
- Analyn Hernandez, P/T, Plans Coordinator Assistant
- Historical Significance Request Property File