

## **XI. DESIGNATION HEARINGS**

### **1. ITEM 1: 2505 SOUTH OCEAN BOULEVARD (PRESIDENT CONDOMINIUM)**

OWNER Multiple Owners (See Designation Report for Complete List of Owners)

Call for disclosure of ex parte communication: Disclosure by Ms. Metzger and Mr. Ives.

Janet Murphy, MurphyStillings, LLC, testified to the architecture and history of the Mid-Century Modern style buildings. Ms. Murphy pointed out the design features of the buildings. Ms. Murphy testified that the buildings met the following criteria for designation as a landmark:

Sec. 54-161 (1) Exemplifies or reflects the broad cultural, political, economic, or social history of the nation, state, county, or town; and,

Sec. 54-161 (3) Embodies distinguishing characteristics of an architectural type or is a specimen inherently valuable of the study of a period, style, method of construction, or use of indigenous materials or craftsmanship,

Sect. 54-161 (4) Is representative of the notable work of a master builder, designer, or architect whose individual ability has been recognized or who influenced his age.

Ms. Murphy thanked many people who assisted in her research of the building and the residents for supporting the designation.

**A motion was made by Mr. Ives and was seconded by Ms. Albarran to make the designation report for 2505 S. Ocean Blvd. part of the record. The motion was carried unanimously, 7-0.**

Ms. Patterson asked for confirmation on proof of publication. Ms. Mittner provided confirmation.

Ms. Patterson called for any public comment on the designation.

The following people spoke in support of the designation:

Stephen Darlington, 2505 S. Ocean Blvd.

Terry Axelrod, 2505 S. Ocean Blvd.

Stan Kelly, 2505 S. Ocean Blvd.

Ms. Albarran supported the designation.

Ms. Metzger wondered if other condominiums in the area were eligible for

designation. Ms. Murphy confirmed others may be eligible.

Mr. Ives was thrilled to see the recommendation and was excited to support the designation.

Mr. Fairfax did not believe the building was worth the landmark designation.

**A motion was made by Mr. Ives and was seconded by Ms. Albarran to recommend 2505 S. Ocean Blvd. to the Town Council for designation as a Landmark of the Town of Palm Beach based on criteria 1, 3, and 4 in Section 54-161 and with the acknowledgment that the owners of the buildings supported the designation. The motion was carried 5-2, with Mses. Fairfax and Metzger dissenting.**