

# SMITH AND MOORE ARCHITECTS, INC.

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Re: 160-170 Seaview Avenue,  
Palm Beach, FL 33480

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## **LETTER OF INTENT (LOI)**

**ARC-23-155**

**ZON-24-001**

### **PROPOSED TWO-STORY FAMILY WING ON UNIFIED PROPERTY**

Please find for review the attached drawings for our project at 160-170 Seaview Avenue in the R-B Zoning District of Palm Beach. The proposal is for the unification of 160 and 170 Seaview Avenue and the construction of a new two-story attached guest wing on the western portion of the combined lot. Interior alterations are proposed to the existing residence at 160 Seaview. We believe the proposal is in accordance with the following guidelines:

### **ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 18-205 AND 18-206:**

#### **Sec. 18-205. - Criteria for building permit.**

1. The plan for this proposed residence is in conformity with good taste and design and in general contributes to the image of the town and neighborhood as a place of beauty, spaciousness, balance, charm and high quality.
2. The plan for the proposed building or structure is reasonably protected against external and internal noise and other factors that would tend to make the environment less desirable.
  - a. The plans show that major entertaining spaces are centrally located on the site placing these spaces far as possible from neighboring properties.
  - b. The proposed generator and pool equipment are located in a walled enclosure on the Southwest side of the house.
3. The proposed building exterior design and appearance is not of inferior quality such as to cause the nature of the local environment to materially depreciate in appearance value.
4. The proposed residence is in harmony with the proposed developments on land in the general area and with the compressive plan for the town.
5. The proposed residence is not excessively similar to any other structure existing or within 200 feet of the proposed site in respect to one or more of the following features of the exterior design and appearance:
  - a. This proposal does not have apparently visible identical front or side elevations.

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- b. This proposal does not have substantially identical size and arrangement of either doors, windows, porticos or other opening or breaks in the elevation facing the street, including reverse arrangement.
- c. We do not have other significant identical features of design such as, but not limited to, material roof line and height of other design elements.
- 6. The proposed residence is not excessively dissimilar in relation to any other structures existing or within 200 feet of the proposed site in respect to one or more of the following features:
  - a. Height of building or height of roof.
  - b. Other significant design features including, but not limited to, materials or quality of architectural design.
  - c. Architectural compatibility.
  - d. Arrangements of components of the structure.
  - e. Appearance of mass from the street or from any perspective visible to the public or adjoining property owners.
  - f. Diversity of design that is complimentary with the size and massing of adjacent properties.
  - g. Design features that will avoid the appearance of mass through improper proportions.
  - h. Design elements that protect the privacy of a neighboring property.
- 7. The proposed addition is subservient in style, massing, and placement to the principal or main structure. The proposed accessory structure is subservient in massing and detail to the principal or main structure.
- 8. The proposed residence is appropriate in relation to the established character of other structures in the immediate area or neighboring areas in respect to significant design features such as material or quality or architectural design as viewed from any public or private way (except alleys).
- 9. The proposed development is in conformity with the standards of this code and other applicable ordinances insofar as the location and appearance of the buildings and structures are involved. The proposed design meets the zoning code without requiring variances.
- 10. The projects' location and design adequately protect unique site characteristics such as those related to scenic views, rock outcroppings, natural vistas, waterways and similar features. The proposed residence does not negatively impact any existing natural features and respects most notably the existing large banyan tree in the Southwest corner of the Property.

## **Sec. 18-206. - Criteria for demolition permit.**

Not applicable – This property was vacant when the initial design was ARCOM approved.

Sincerely,



Daniel Kahan

Principal Architect