



April 9th, 2021

To: the Historic Preservation Board and Staff  
From: The Collins Park Neighborhood Association  
Subject: Shelborne Hotel Renovation Plans

Dear HPB and Staff members:

On April 6th, 2021 at 6:30 PM, the law offices of Bercow Randell Fernandez Larkin + Tapanes presented the CPNA Board of directors via ZOOM the proposed renovations for the Shelborne Hotel. Our entire board was present except Dr. AnaMaria Corea representing Miami City Ballet. Representing the law firm was Michael Larkin and Nicholas Rodriguez. Also on the Zoom were the owners of the Shelborne, the architect for the project, the project managers, their landscape architect and a Historic Preservation consultant.

After presenting their plan which demolishes town homes on 18th Street that were added in the 1990's allowing them to totally renovate the lobby and add a restaurant keeping all of the original intention of architect Morris Lapitus that was removed over the years, CPNA was accepting of their proposal. It was noted that 2 variations regarding setback only would be required and we were OK with that. One was to add supports for a removable canopy for the event space overlooking the pool. We also approved their plan to add a second pool to the rear of the property adjacent to the beach walk. It was noted to us that all the rooms would be renovate and the hotel would be closed for approximately one year from start of construction aimed for end of 2021. We were only concerned about the exterior renovations for the property and rely on HPB for any interior finishing and saving what may be considered historical to the original property. After questions and answers, a motion was made to accept their proposal as presented to us with the 2 setback variance requests and it was unanimously passed by our board.

Sincerely,

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