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# **NARRATIVE LETTER**

**Existing & Proposed Use:** Single Family Residence

**Property Address:** 5855 N Bay Rd. Miami Beach, Florida. 33140

Folio Number: 02-3215-003-0810

DRB23-0917

Dear Plan Reviewer,

Please find a summary of recent plan revisions in the PDF attached

## 1. APPLICATION COMPLETENESS

- a. Provide construction cost estimate under separate cover or LOI n/a
- b. Recommend that all floor plans be rotated to have north facing up
- -Plans were rotated in all sheets
- c. Increase dimensions text height on floorplans
- -text size increased in all floor plans
- **d.** Understory floor plan: include a dashed line showing the 5' setback from understory edge, see Section 142-105(b)d.
- -(A-2.1) Plan updated to show Outline of habitable above and 5ft setback for pavers on ground floor.
- **e.** Understory Floor plan: Revise plan to include graphics that demonstrate compliance with all points of 142-105(b)d. Example, include area of entry vestibule and % to lot area, width of driveway, etc.
- -(A-1.1) shows driveway width 10ft (8% used of the 30% or 18ft max allowed)
- -(A-1.4) Diagram show garage and access areas. AC access used 70sf. (0.84% of 5% allowed)
- f. Elevations: Include dimensions of building volumes
- -(A-3.1, A-3.2) Length of volumes added to sheets
- g. Elevations, provide additional dimension string from First FF to top of roof
- -(A-3.1, A-3.2) note and dimensions added showing 24ft height from first floor slab to top of roof slab.
- **h.** Include a material board sheet, with images of proposed materials
- -(A-3.0) sheet added, Material legend.
- i. Lot coverage exceeds 25%: Show compliance with Section 142-105(b)(4)c.: linear feet, setback and % setback for both side facing street and front 2nd floor elevations.
- -(A-1.1) side, reg. 35% recessed 5 ft min 69.53% facade recessed 6'-10"
- -(A-1.1) front, req. 50% recessed 5 ft min 47.95% façade recessed 7'-8"

## 2. ARCHITECTURAL REPRESENTATION

- **a.** Provide a written narrative with responses.
- -sheet provided
- b. Add "FINAL SUBMITTAL" and DRB File No. to front cover title for heightened clarity.
- -updated in cover sheet

- c. Final submittal drawings need to be DATED, SIGNED AND SEALED.
- -to be updated when submitted

### 3. DESIGN RECOMMENDATIONS

- **a.** Include more architectural interest blank stucco, white walls such as additional planar movement, high quality material finish, specifically on south / rear elevation
- -(A-3.2) A balcony to 2<sup>nd</sup> floor bedroom was added, increased wood cladding, added louvers, added concrete framing to horz windows for planar movements and material contrast.
- b. Consider introducing high quality finish on east elevation
- -(A-3.2) wood material finish added, louvers added to balc, concrete framing to horz. Windows added.

## 4. ZONING COMMENT

a. Seeking waiver from section sec. 142-106(a)(2)(d).

Open space requirements for two-story side elevations located parallel to a side property line shall not exceed 50 percent of the lot depth, or 60 feet.

We hope that this will help assist you in your review to your satisfaction. Sincerely,

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