

Legislation Text

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Summary

To: Town Commission
From: Cathy DeKarz, Management Analyst
Date: 11/20/2018

Subject:

Application to Add 422 Woodlawn Avenue to the Town's Historic Registry

Summary:

Ms. Kerin Kiser, the property owner of 422 Woodlawn Avenue is applying to the Historic Preservation Board and the Commission to place her home on the Town of Belleair Historic Registry. This property was nominated for historic designation in July of 2018 by the Town's historic preservation contractor, as it meets the designation criteria set forth in Belleair's Code of Ordinances.

Previous Commission Action: On November 13, 2018 the Historic Preservation Board unanimously approved adding 422 Woodlawn Avenue to the Historic Registry.

On July 24, 2018, the Historic Preservation Board received its final report from JMT that included research and documentation on 51 properties and structures in Town that JMT nominated for placement on the Town's Historic Registry.

As one of these properties was 422 Woodlawn Avenue, the applicant now wishes to follow through with JMT's nomination to place her home on Belleair's registry.

Background/Problem Discussion: Ms. Kiser's minimal traditional style home at 422 Woodlawn Avenue was built in 1948 in the Bidwell's Wildwood Park subdivision, and was nominated by JMT in 2018 for placement on Belleair's Historic Registry.

Per the attached Florida Master Site File Form for this property, 422 Woodlawn Avenue is distinguishable by its front entry porch, widely overhanging eaves, and double-hung sash windows. This dwelling displays the typical form and massing of the minimal traditional style along with a low-pitch, cross-gable roof. The applied portico adds a detail that is more ornamental that is typical for a minimal traditional home, adding some uniqueness.

Belleair's Code of Ordinances requires that any property or structure on Belleair's Historic Registry meets at least one of the nine of the criteria set forth. However, JMT and staff believe that this property actually meets three of the points, making the property noteworthy for:

A: Its character, interest, or value as part of the development, heritage, or cultural characteristics of the town, county, state, or nation

D: Its embodiment of distinguishing characteristics of an architectural style valuable for the study of a period, type, method of construction, or use of indigenous materials

F: Its embodiment of elements of design, detailing, materials, or craftsmanship that render it architectural significant

Expenditure Challenges N/A

Financial Implications: N/A

Recommendation: Staff recommends adding 422 Woodlawn Avenue to the Town's Historic Registry.

Proposed Motion I move to add 422 Woodlawn Avenue to the Town's Historic Registry.