



CITY OF FORT PIERCE

PLANNING DEPARTMENT

COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING ♦ DEVELOPMENT REVIEW
HISTORIC PRESERVATION ♦ URBAN DESIGN ♦ URBAN FORESTRY ♦ ZONING

MAY 26TH, 2015

Agenda Item 7B

Owner

St. Lucie County

Applicant

Corine Williams

Representative

Stephanie Myers

Location

715 Avenue D

Parcel

2410-601-0197-000-7

Historic Status

Non-contributing

Requested Action

Placement of two (2) monument signs to direct vehicle and bus traffic

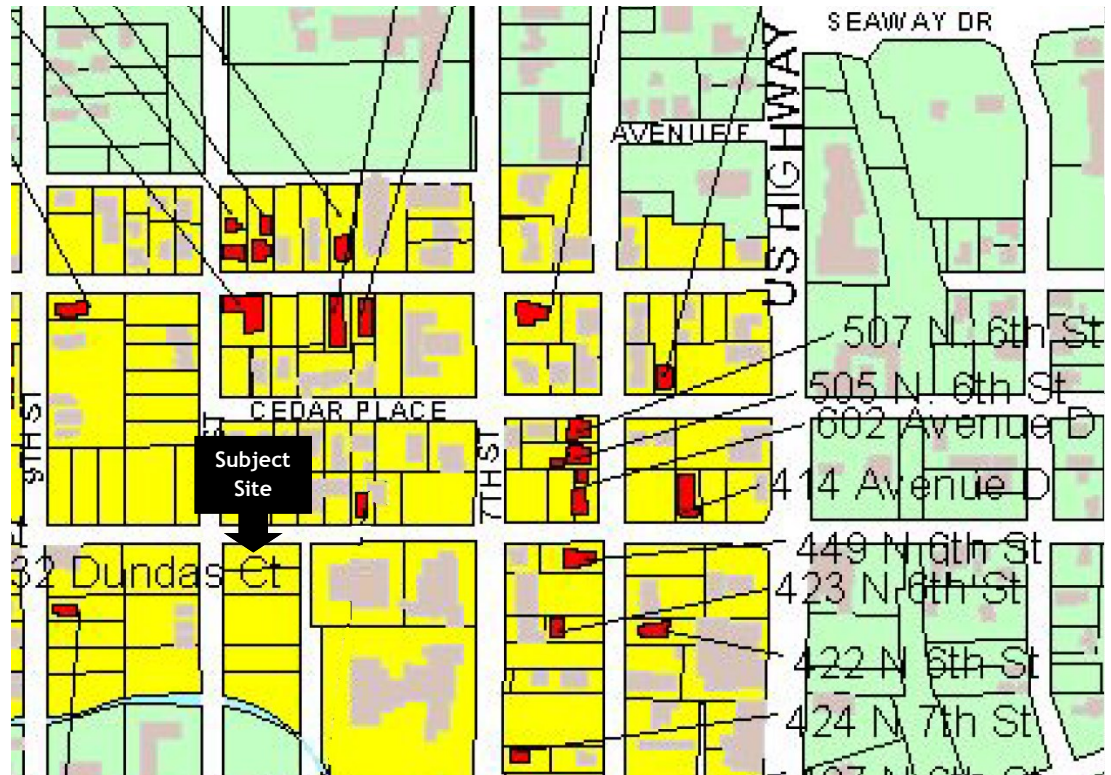
Recommendation

Approval

Staff

Kori Benton
Historic Preservation Officer

HISTORIC PRESERVATION BOARD : PUBLIC HEARING



Location Map



Contributing



Non-Contributing



Subject Site

HISTORY

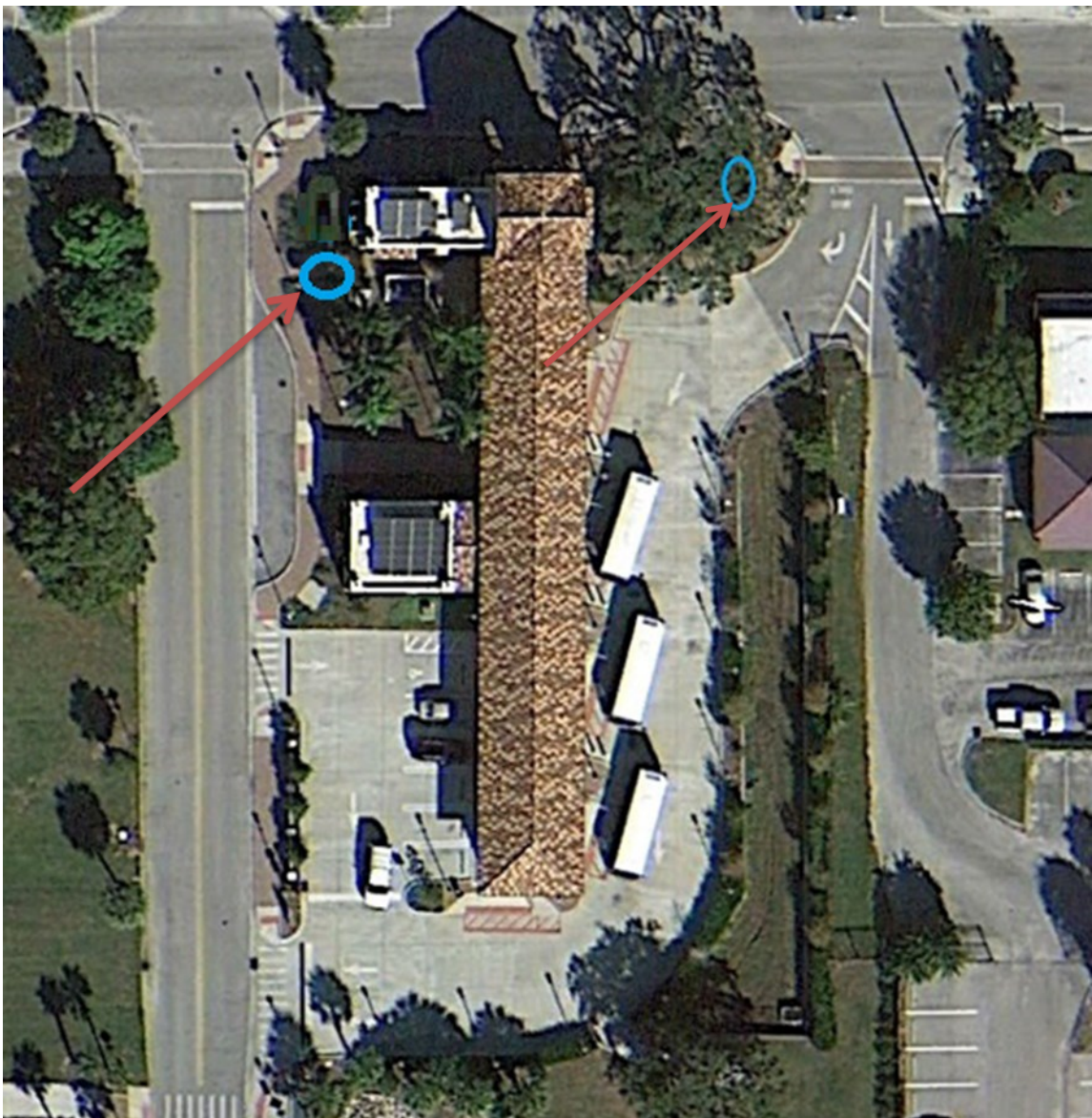
- 2002 City Commission adopts the Avenue D/Lincoln Park Historic District
- 2010 Historic Preservation Board Granted COA approval for the construction of the Multimodal Transportation Facility
- 2011 Structure completed and open for public use.
- 4/2015 The Historic Preservation Board reviewed the initial application for a COA to place two ground signs at the subject site, acting to continue the item while expressing concern over the size of the proposed signs.

Staff Analysis

Request:

The applicant, St. Lucie County Transit Services, is proposing to place two (2) ground signs for the Multimodal Transportation Facility to provide directional guidance to vehicular and bus traffic into and around the facility. The subject request incorporates a Variance request to deviate from City Code Section 15-8 (5) a. 3. in order to allow the placement of a second ground sign for a site with less than 500 feet of main street frontage. Since the initial review by the Historic Preservation Board on April 27th, 2015, the applicant has reduced the sign area of the proposed signs to 24 sq. ft., representing a 50% reduction.

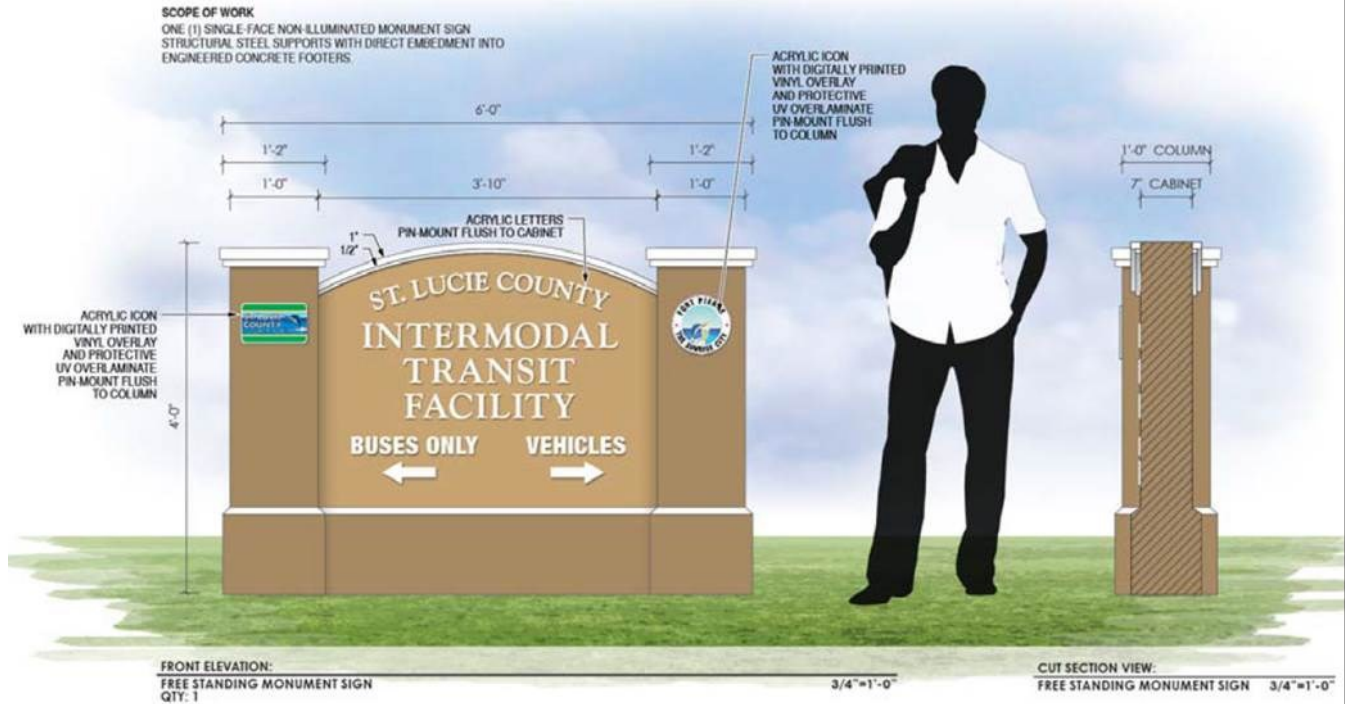
The proposed locations for placement, and request for a second ground sign, are intended to provide visibility on Avenue D, and N. 8th Street, due to facility's location on a corner lot and numerous mean of access. The signs are presented on the northwest and northeast corner of the property in order to provide notification to visiting drivers of their designated area for parking, pick-up, and drop-off. The final locations will account for established clear vision areas.



The proposed monument signs are 4 ft in overall height, and 6 feet in width, totaling approximately 24 sq. ft. in size. The signs will feature a light sand stucco finish, to assimilate with the design and colors of the principle structure on site.

Landscaping around the sign locations will be preserved and added, as needed, to meet City Code requirements and accent the additions.

Updated Sign Exhibit



Secretary of Interior Standards for Consideration

2. The historic character of a property shall be retained and preserved. The removal of historic materials or alteration of features and spaces that characterize a property shall be avoided.

9. New additions, exterior alterations, or related new construction shall not destroy historic materials that characterize the property. The new work shall be differentiated from the old and shall be compatible with the massing, size, scale, and architectural features to protect the historic integrity of the property and its environment.

Staff Recommendation:

The presented sign design is consistent with Secretary of Interior Standards 2 and 9, there is a presented public safety benefit for a second ground sign on N. 8th Street, and unique characteristics of the site exist, therefore Staff recommends that the Historic Preservation Board approve the proposed signs, and variance as requested.

Proposed Sign Locations



*Light pole be relocated accordingly