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Re: Architectural Style of 314 NE 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue, File Number 2024-081

314 NE 3rd Avenue will be a Masonry Modern Building as defined in the Delray Beach Central Business District Architectural Design Guidelines.

As described in the Design Guidelines for the Masonry Modern Style the building is defined by a rational load bearing construction technique, has punched openings rather than large expansive windows, and has limited ornament. Furthermore, the roofs are flat and based on pure geometric forms.

Specific elements of the design have the following Masonry Modern Style characteristics as described on pages 57-64 of the guidelines:

- 1) The building is defined by a rational load bearing construction technique.
- 2) The design has punched openings rather than large expansive windows.
- 3) The building has limited ornament.
- 4) The roofs are flat.
- 5) One of the flat roofs is utilized as a terrace.
- 6) The building emphasizes the solidity of mass.
- 7) The geometry of the building appears carved from a solid volume.
- 8) The ratio of glass to wall emphasizes the solidity of the structure.
- 9) The windows are recessed from the exterior face producing deep shadows and revealing the thickness of the walls.
- 10) The windows appear as fixed panes.
- 11) There is a tripartite Composition lower, middle and upper.
- 12) The public nature of the ground floor of a commercial building is emphasized by more glass, the middle portion is more solid and the top incorporates a usable exterior space including a loggia terrace.
- 13) The Structural System of the building is clearly expressed in the buildings' exterior.
- 14) Pure geometric forms are emphasized in the overall volumetric layout.
- 15) In addition, the design incorporates shading devices including louvers, cantilevered eyebrows, vertical sunshades as elements of the architecture. The use of the vertical louvered sunshades provides for a "Tropical Modern" aesthetic as an embellishment to the Masonry Modern Style
- 16) The exterior finish is primarily stucco.
- 17) There are stone accents typical of the style as well.
- 18) The windows are simple geometries, vertically proportioned with few dividing lights.

Diagrams in the following pages highlight these various characteristics.

Thank you for considering this design which will contribute to the architectural character of the Delray Beach Central Business District.

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LOAD BEARING MASONRY WALLS

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#### LIMITED ORNAMENT 1) STONE 2) PERFORATED SUN SCREEN



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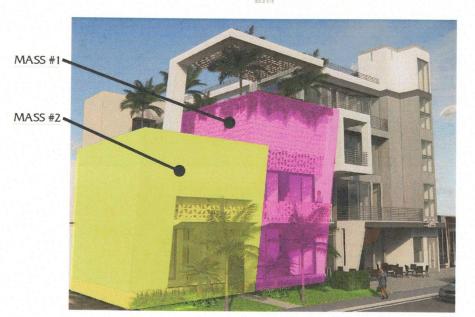
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#### **BUILDING EMPHASIZES** THE SOLIDITY OF MASS



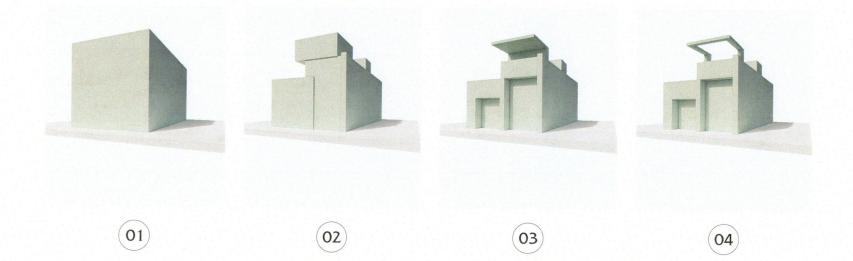
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#### BUILDING APPEARS CARVED FROM A SINGLE MASS



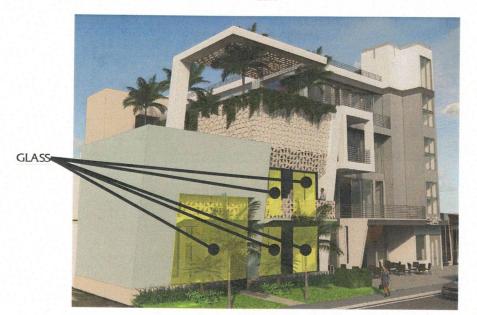


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### RATIO OF GLASS TO WALL EMPHASIZES THE SOLIDITY OF MASS GLASS IS 36.1% OF FACADE



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#### THE WINDOWS ARE RECESSED FROM THE EXTERIOR FACE PRODUCING DEEP SHADOWS AND REVEALING THE THICKNESS OF THE WALLS



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#### THE WINDOWS APPEAR AS FIXED PANES



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#### THERE IS A TRIPARTITE COMPOSITION



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- THE PUBLIC NATURE OF THE GROUND FLOOR OF A COMMERCIAL BUILDING IS EMPHASIZED BY MORE GLASS
- THE MIDDLE PORTION IS MORE SOLID
- THE TOP INCORPORATES A USABLE EXTERIOR SPACE INCLUDING A USABLE LOGGIA TERRACE



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#### THE STRUCTURAL SYSTEM IS CLEARLY EXPRESSED



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#### PURE GEOMETRIC FORMS ARE EMPHASIZED IN THE OVERALL VOLUMETRIC LAYOUT



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## DESIGN INCORPORATES 1) VERTICAL SUN SHADES 2) CANTILEVERED EYEBROWS



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#### **EXTERIOR FINISH IS PRIMARILY STUCCO**



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#### THERE ARE STONE ACCENTS



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## THE WINDOWS ARE SIMPLE GEOMETRIES VERTICALLY PROPORTIONED WITH FEW DIVIDING LIGHTS



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