



NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES

LAKE EOLA HEIGHTS HISTORIC NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

Lake Eola Heights was designated a local Historic District with the City of Orlando in 1989 and on that day the neighborhood was for the first time ensured new, valuable levels of protection never before imagined. My wife, Diane and I have been living and active in this neighborhood since 1979 and can attest to the value and power historic districting can provide to your property. Let me explain.

Prior to that time, one could tear down a structure(s) next to a home and build up to a seven-story apartment building with few restrictions in size, design or residential input. One could also tear down an existing small apartment complex, within the neighborhood and have enough land to build even higher density, along with the seven stories and of their own design, with few restrictions.

Now let's take a look at what can happen on steroids! Compare our neighborhood with South Eola Heights. Both were about the same back in 1979. See what can happen when developers pressure City Hall?

Lake Davis is at a crossroads on whether to accept the protection of Historic districting which will guarantee it remains a neighborhood much like it is today with relatively few alterations. I would like to add that you will also pretty much solidify your property's value in the midst of a recession or whatever calamity besets the real estate market. Or you can give it over to the developers at some point in the future. If you think it won't happen just look at the proof right here in downtown Orlando. The power of protection is in your hands now, choose Historic Districting and preserve the character, beauty and history of where you live forever.

Please call me if you have questions...

Sincerely,

David Martens, President
Lake Eola Heights Historic Neighborhood Association
Dmartens345@gmail.com
407-968-8011