



City of Coral Gables
CITY COMMISSION MEETING
July 1, 2025

ITEM TITLE:

A Resolution approving “Intervals”, a Coral Gables Art Series to launch as part of Miami Art Week and for an application to Art Basel for an official event, further approving funding up to \$110,000 from the Art Fund toward the program and marketing materials (unanimously recommended by the Arts Advisory Panel approval/denial vote: 6 to 0 and Cultural Development Board approval/denial vote: 6 to 0); and authorizing an amendment to the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Operating Budget to recognize the transfer of funds from the Art in Public Places Reserve and to appropriate such funds to put towards the cost of the project.

BRIEF HISTORY:

The Cultural Development Board, through the Arts Advisory Panel, historically recommends city participation in Miami’s Art Week and, more specifically, an affiliation with Art Basel.

Since 2016, the city has received recognition support from Art Basel for an annual exhibition.

On May 7, 2025, the Arts Advisory Panel discussed options for the city’s annual Art Basel Miami Beach 2025 event application and unanimously recommended to establish “Intervals”, an art series programed in partnership with Coral Gables public spaces and with galleries presenting at Art Basel Miami Beach.

“Intervals” is proposed to support up to five artists in locations such as hotels and businesses with open public access. In compliance with Art Basel Miami Beach program requirements, galleries affiliated with Art Basel will be approached to present their artists. A Call for Art will be distributed to these galleries as well as other well-established arts establishments.

Artists will be provided with \$15,000 each to create a site-specific installation for exhibition of up to eight weeks at a partner space. Partners will be paired with artists through a review process by the city. In addition, the public will be invited to choose their favorite for an additional award of \$10,000.

Building on the established relationship with Art Basel, the city proposes to submit an Art Basel VIP event application to celebrate “Intervals” at one of the locations, with an invitation to visit all the sites.

On May 29, 2025, the Cultural Development Board discussed options for the city’s annual Art Basel Miami Beach 2025 event application and the recommendation of the Arts Advisory Panel. The Board made a motion unanimously accepting the recommendation of the Panel to develop the project as presented.

Funding of \$110,000 for the recommendation, related expenses, and marketing is proposed through the art fund.

ADVISORY BOARD/COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION(S):

| Date. | Board/Committee | Comments |
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| May 7, 2025 | Arts Advisory Panel | Recommended approval |
| May 29, 2025 | Cultural Development Board | Recommended approval |

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

| No. | Amount | Account No. | Source of Funds |
|---|-----------|-------------|--------------------------------|
| 1. | \$110,000 | | Art in Public Places, Art Fund |
| Total: | \$110,000 | | |
| Fiscal Impact: The city's art fund will be used for this project. | | | |

BUSINES IMPACT:

International, national, and regional promotion of the city through its public art program.
Increase in visitors to the city.

ATTACHMENT(S):

1. Draft Resolution
2. Excerpt minutes from the Cultural Development Board meeting of May 29, 2025