



City of Coral Gables
CITY COMMISSION MEETING
January 10, 2023

ITEM TITLE:

Cultural Development Board & Arts Advisory Panel meeting of November 15, 2022.

SUMMARY OF MEETING:

NEW BUSINESS:

a. AIPP WAIVER REQUEST, GABLES LIVING – GUSTAVO VELEZ

Board members reviewed a request from Concreto to waive the Art in Public Places fee and instead commission and place public artwork on the project site.

Mr. Valdes-Fauli made a motion to defer the item until answers are provided to the Arts Advisory Panel's questions. Mr. Pantin seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Mr. Pantin made a motion recommending two weeks between the Arts Advisory Panel meeting and the Cultural Development Board meeting. Mr. Valdes-Fauli seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

b. AIPP – RFQ PROJECT DRAFT

Board members reviewed a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) draft seeking South Florida artists for a permanent public artwork that could be completed in time for Art Basel 2023. The RFQ process was previously approved by the City Commission, and this is the next step.

Mr. Rodriguez made a motion to accept the RFQ with the locations removed. Mr. Martinez seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Mr. Martinez made a motion recommending a team to discuss locations and return with one or two locations to be inserted into the RFQ. Mr. Valdes-Fauli seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS:

There was no old business.

ART IN PUBLIC PLACES UPDATES:

Mr. Pantin asked about the status of the artwork at the Police and Fire Headquarters building. Ms. Cathers responded that the Police and Fire Chiefs asked for modifications of the scope to include cast bronze emblems for Police; Fire; Communications; and the City; and to have them embedded in the base and lit. She stated that because of the added light elements, additional engineering is required to address the necessary depth needed to accommodate them. Continuing, she said staff is waiting for specifics (from the artist team) to prepare an agenda item for the City Commission.

CULTURAL GRANTS:

The Board was reminded of the need to discuss any proposed Cultural Grant application and process revisions for recommendation to the City Commission. Staff suggested that it be addressed by February.

CITY COMMISSION ITEMS:

There were no City Commission items.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

a. CULTURAL ARTS MASTER PLAN

Prior to the pandemic, the Board discussed updating the Public Art Master Plan and broadening the vision into a Cultural Arts Master Plan that would include cultural arts initiatives beyond public art. The pandemic stalled the project and Mr. Martinez asked that the Board discuss it now. Staff stated it would provide a roadmap for both the Panel and Board to function more efficiently.

ITEMS FROM THE SECRETARY:

Ms. Cathers stated that there are four passes available for the Art Basel Vernissage and to contact her if they would like to attend.

Ms. Cathers reminded Board members of the City's Art Basel VIP event on Sunday, December 3 at 8:30 a.m.

ATTACHMENT(S):1. Cultural Development Board meeting minutes of November 15, 2022.