



**City of Coral Gables
CITY COMMISSION MEETING
June 28, 2022**

ITEM TITLE:

Cultural Development Board meeting of May 24, 2022.

SUMMARY OF MEETING:

NEW BUSINESS:

a. ART BASEL – ARTIST RECOMMENDATIONS*

Prior to the meeting, Board members received an update regarding their previous recommendation for 2022 Art Basel/Miami Art Week. The Board's recommendation to celebrate permanent and temporary artwork on Miracle Mile was made based on the availability of works on loan that are no longer viable. Ms. Cathers reported that the Arts Advisory Panel discussed a list of artists who could potentially create work within the timeline and budget. After discussion, the Panel made a recommendation to the Board, she said, to reach out to the following artists for their availability in order of the Panel's preference: Wangechi Mutu, Mark Handforth, and Jeffrey Gibson.

Mr. Rodriguez made a motion accepting the recommendation of the Arts Advisory Panel and further recommending approval of artists Wangechi Mutu, Mark Handforth, and Jeffrey Gibson, based on their availability, for 2022 Art Week/Art Basel. Mr. Valdes-Fauli seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

*Following this meeting, staff was advised that the recommended artists are not available this year.

b. MOBILITY HUB – ARTIST RECOMMENDATIONS

Staff updated Board members on the discussions of the Arts Advisory Panel regarding the Mobility Hub. It was reported that the Panel is recommending a curated call for proposals from a select number of artists and that the Panel is discussing which artists they feel are best suited for the opportunity.

CULTURAL GRANT UPDATES:

a. CULTURAL GRANT REVIEW & SCORING PROCESS – DISCUSSION

The Board reviewed the process that will take place later in the meeting to review and score the Cultural Grant applications. Ms. Cathers noted that most of the applicants are expected to have a representative from the organization available to answer questions, with most of the attendees appearing on Zoom.

b. CHANGE REQUESTS

The Board was presented with a summary sheet outlining Cultural Grant change requests from:

- The Dave and Mary Alper JCC
- Compositum Musicae Novae
- Strength in Numbers, Power in Connection

Reasons for the requests were in response to re-scheduling related to the Covid-19 pandemic.

After a brief discussion, the following motion was made:

Mr. Valdes-Fauli made a motion accepting the change requests of The Dave and Mary Alper JCC; Compositum Musicae Novae; and Strength in Numbers, Power in Connection, as presented. Mr. Rodriguez seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

ART IN PUBLIC PLACES UPDATES:

There were no Art in Public Places updates.

CITY COMMISSION ITEMS:

There were no City Commission items.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

There were no further discussion items.

ITEMS FROM THE SECRETARY:

There were no further items from the Secretary.

The Board temporarily adjourned at 8:45 a.m. prior to the FY2022-2023 Cultural Grant Application Review and Scoring portion of the meeting.

FY2022-2023 CULTURAL GRANT APPLICATIONS - REVIEW & SCORING:

Dr. Roth called the FY2022-2023 Cultural Grant Review & Scoring meeting to order at 9:09 a.m. and welcomed guests and cultural grant applicants participating via Zoom.

Mr. Rodriguez made a motion to accept the Board's FY2022-2023 Cultural Grant application scores as presented. Ms. Burgos seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

After thoughtful deliberation and discussion, the following motion was made regarding the distribution of available funds:

Mr. Rodriguez made a motion recommending Cultural Grant funding allocations equally distributed based on the use of a multiplier taking into consideration the scores and requested amounts. Ms. Burgos seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Continuing their discussion, the Board made the following motion regarding that any remaining funds:

Mr. Rodriguez made a motion recommending the Cultural Grant funding balance, resulting from the above nearest calculation, be distributed evenly across all eligible organizations. Mr. Valdes-Fauli seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

The Board discussed having a representative speak on behalf of the Board at the City Commission meeting when the item is presented. After a brief discussion, the following motion was made:

Mr. Martinez made a motion nominating Dr. Roth or Ms. Burgos, depending on availability, to speak on behalf of the Board in support of the Cultural Development Grant recommendations. Mr. Rodriguez seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

ATTACHMENT(S):1. Cultural Development Board meeting minutes of May 24, 2022.