

CITY OF CORAL GABLES
CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT BOARD MEETING
Tuesday, November 19, 2024, 9:15 a.m.
Historical Resources & Cultural Arts Department
Hybrid Meeting & Virtual via Zoom

MEMBERS	D	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	APPOINTED BY:
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Leslie Pantin Chairperson	P	P	P	P	E	P	P	P	E	P	P	P	Mayor Vince Lago
Frank Rodriguez	P	A	P	P	P	P	P	P	E	P	P	P	Vice-Mayor Rhonda Anderson
Ray Corral	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	E	P	P	Commissioner Melissa Castro
Amanda Requena*			*	P	P	P	P	E	P	P	P	P	Commissioner Ariel Fernandez
Jose Valdes-Fauli Vice Chair	P	P	E	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	Commissioner Kirk R. Menendez
Geannina Burgos	P	P	P	P	P	E	A	P	P	P	P	P	Board Appointee
Eric Fliss	P	E	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	City Manager Amos Rojas Jr.

LEGEND: A = Absent; P = Present; V = Virtual; E = Excused; * = New Member; ^= Resigned Member;
 - = No Meeting + = Special Meeting

STAFF:

Anna Pernas, Historical Resources and Cultural Arts Director
 Catherine Cathers, Arts and Culture Specialist
 Yvelisse Bonilla, Administrative Assistant

MEETING RECORD / MINUTES PREPARATION: Yvelisse Bonilla, Administrative Assistant and
 Catherine Cathers, Historical Resources and Cultural Arts

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Pantin called the Cultural Development Board (CDB) meeting to order at 9:16 AM.

ROLL CALL

The Board members in attendance: Mr. Rodriguez, Mr. Valdes-Fauli, Mr. Pantin, Mr. Corral,
 Mr. Fliss, Ms. Requena and Ms. Burgos.

A. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

A motion was made by Mr. Fliss, seconded by Ms. Requena, to approve the minutes for the October 15, 2024, meeting. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

B. NEW BUSINESS - None

C. OLD BUSINESS - None

D. CULTURAL GRANT UPDATES

Board members were advised of change requests received to date.

Staff confirmed Cultural Grant funding of \$228,228 for FY24-25.

Board members continued discussion of proposed updates for FY25-26 and how to pursue additional funding for the cultural grant program.

E. ART IN PUBLIC PLACES UPDATES

Staff provided an updated list of current projects and reported more specifically on the status of the following projects:

- RE:site, *Eternal Vigilance* – Artist team completed installation of inserts to accentuate the flame elements of the artwork.
- Janine Antoni, *Whispering Through a Stone* – Installation is anticipated for late December early January.
- Michael Kalish, *Floral Sky* – for Sunrise Senior Living private development is currently being installed.
- Protecting Public Art, risk assessment project funded through the NEH – partner is conducting on-site evaluation this month.

F. CITY COMMISSION ITEMS

Board members were advised of Commission approvals for:

- Artwork by artist Lynda Benglis at the Regency Parc private development.
- A mural by artist Eduardo Kobra at The Plaza private development.

Staff informed the Board that the proposed long-term loan agreement with The Underline for installation of five Jean Ward sculptures will be presented to the City Commission in January.

G. DISCUSSION ITEMS

Staff reminded Board members of the annual Art Basel VIP Event taking place on Sunday, December 8, 2024 at 8:30am at the Coral Gables Art Cinema.

H. ITEMS FROM THE SECRETARY

Staff stated that the Arts and Business Council's annual report will be presented at an upcoming meeting and briefly discussed the upcoming Coral Gables State of the Arts presentation.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, the Cultural Development Board meeting adjourned at 9:57 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Catherine J. Cathers
Arts & Culture Specialist