

City of Coral Gables

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Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, January 20, 2026

9:30 AM

Sister Cities Conference Room - Coral Gables Museum

Cultural Development Board

Chairperson Jose Valdes-Fauli
Vice Chairperson Frank Rodriguez
Board Member Eric Fliss
Board Member Sergio Gonzalez-Arias
Board Member Armando Hassun
Board Member Barbara Perez
Board Member Amanda Requena

The Cultural Development Board will hold its regular meeting commencing at 9:30 a.m. Board Members and City Staff will be physically present. All interested persons may be heard via the Zoom platform used by the City for live remote comments.

Members of the public may join the meeting via Zoom at <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/88687811677>.

A dedicated phone line will be available so that any individual who does not wish (or is unable) to use Zoom may listen to and participate in the meeting by dialing: (929) 205-6099 Meeting ID: 886 8781 1677. To speak on an Agenda Item, please "Raise your Hand" or send a message to one of the meeting hosts using the Zoom Platform. If you joined the meeting via telephone, you can "Raise your Hand" by pressing *9.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 9:39 a.m.

ROLL CALL

- Present:** 4 - Board Member Fliss, Vice Chairperson Rodriguez, Chairperson Valdes-Fauli and Board Member Perez
- Absent:** 3 - Board Member Requena, Board Member Hassun and Board Member Gonzalez-Arias

A. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

[25-1256](#)

Cultural Development Board Meeting of December 16, 2025.

Attachments: [CDB Minutes December 16, 2025 Draft](#)

A motion was made by Vice-Chair Rodriguez and seconded by Ms. Perez to approve the meeting minutes of December 16, 2025. The motion passed unanimously.

- Yeas:** 4 - Board Member Fliss, Vice Chairperson Rodriguez, Chairperson Valdes-Fauli and Board Member Perez
- Absent:** 3 - Board Member Requena, Board Member Hassun and Board Member Gonzalez-Arias

B. NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-27**B.-1. 25-1217**

A Resolution of the City Commission approving the concept, commissioning, and donation of a work of public art by Alicja Kwade in conjunction with the development project at 103 Sevilla / 130 Almeria, in fulfillment of the Art in Public Places requirement for public art in private development (unanimously recommended by the Arts Advisory Panel approval/denial vote: 8 to 0; unanimously recommended by the Cultural Development Board approval/denial vote: 4 to 0).

Lobbyist: N/A

Attachments: [Commission Cover 01.27.2026 AiPP 103 Sevilla - 130 Almeria Kwade](#)
[PPT AiPP 103 Sevilla - 130 Almeria Kwade CC](#)
[R-Draft-AiPP 103 Sevilla - 130 Almeria Kwade](#)
[R-2026-27 - Signed](#)

Board members were advised of the development project's request for a waiver of paying the Art in Public Places (AiPP) fee in lieu of commissioning and installing public art on the project site to be deeded to the city. Materials were provided about the proposed artist and artwork. Jose Antonio Vizcarrondo, with the development team, addressed the Panel and presented information about the pre-qualified artist Alicja Kwade, and the proposed artwork *l'ordre des mondes (Totem)*, 2024. .” Details were provided about the siting, material, dimensions, cost, and maintenance.

Staff advised the Board of the Arts Advisory Panel recommendation to approve the request.

After a brief discussion, the following motion was made.

A motion was made by Mr. Fliss and seconded by Vice-Chair Rodriguez to recommend approval of the Art in Public Places waiver request by Cade Capital Partners for commission and donation of artwork by Alicja Kwade as presented, with a recommendation to consider maintenance of the Artwork. The motion passed unanimously.

Yeas: 4 - Board Member Fliss, Vice Chairperson Rodriguez, Chairperson Valdes-Fauli and Board Member Perez

Absent: 3 - Board Member Requena, Board Member Hassun and Board Member Gonzalez-Arias

C. OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business.

D. CULTURAL GRANT UPDATES

Board members were reminded to RSVP for the Actors' Playhouse production of "Dear Evan Hansen" and to attend as many cultural grantee programs as possible.

E. ART IN PUBLIC PLACES UPDATES

[25-8544](#) AiPP Active Project Lists

Attachments: [AiPP Projects_Municipal & Private Dec 2025](#)

Art in Public Places updates were provided to the Board. Highlights included a reminder of the Intervals public art exhibition trolley tour on January 24 and early evening event February 19; and the new deadline for Morel Doucet's sculpture installation of September 15.

F. CITY COMMISSION ITEMS

The Board was advised of Commission items scheduled to clarify the installation site of the Julio Larraz sculpture and the Board's recommendation of approval for the Alicja Kwade AiPP waiver request.

G. DISCUSSION ITEMS

H. ITEMS FROM THE SECRETARY

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:31 a.m.

Next scheduled meeting: Tuesday, February 17, 2026.

NOTE