



**City of Coral Gables
CITY COMMISSION MEETING
July 26, 2016**

ITEM TITLE:

Cultural Development Board meeting minutes of May 3, 2016.

SUMMARY OF MEETING:

ART IN PUBLIC PLACES, PROJECT UPDATES (DISCUSSION):

Miracle Mile and Giralda Avenue Streetscape

Ms. Cathers advised Board members of the Arts Advisory Panel meeting of April 22, reporting that the Panel did not feel Cao + Perrot's follow-up proposal met the intent of the project with the Panel recommending to proceed with a new list of artists to consider. The Board expressed their support of the Panel's process and decision. Staff has asked Panel members to forward artist recommendations and the Panel will meet again on June 30.

Alice Aycock

Board members were given an update on the April 13 visit with Alice Aycock. Ms. Aycock was pleased with the progress of the work on-site and of the artwork's fabrication taking place in Fort Lauderdale. Ms. Cathers informed the Board that staff was able to observe the fabrication in process on April 19 and took photographs, which were shared with the Board. A new deadline for the sculpture's installation is set for mid-June.

Jean Ward Sculptures

The Board was informed that the Jean Ward sculptures at the library and the one in Pittman Park have been removed for restoration.

Vessel

Ms. Cathers stated that the pouring of the base for the donated sculpture *Vessel* is scheduled for this week at Cartagena Plaza.

Spinnaker

The Board was advised of the completion of the *Spinnaker* installation and provided information for the dedication taking place on May 9th at 4:00 p.m. at Red Road and Lugo Avenue.

CORAL GABLES CULTURAL GRANT (DISCUSSION & ACTION)

Cultural Grantee Requests, Updates, & Reviews

1. Cuban Classical Ballet

Ms. Cathers advised the Board that their recommendation for the Cuban Classical Ballet to return of FY2014-2015 cultural grant funds is being put on the agenda of the next City Commission meeting, May 24th.

Mr. Perez made a motion that Ms. Burgos attend and speak on behalf of the Cultural Development Board regarding the Board's recommendation that the Cuban Classical Ballet return FY2014-2015 cultural grant funds in the amount of \$2,500. Dr. Alvarez-Perez seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

2. Board Reports

Board members reported on cultural programs they attended including GableStage, Miracle Theatre, and Florida Grand Opera.

FY 2016-17 Cultural Grant Updates

1. Grant management Software

Ms. Cathers gave an update on the progress of procuring grant management software to implement for next year's grant cycle. She shared programs being considered, including: Foundant and PhilanTrack, and advised that the Board's review process and use is being greatly considered in the decision.

2. FY2016-17 Cultural Grant funding

Board Members reported on meetings with their appointing officials regarding future cultural grant funding. Discussion included how to address organizations that receive other City funds and supporting greater funding for Coral Gables based organizations. Ms. Spain reviewed the City budget process and schedule.

3. City Commission Meeting Representative

The Board discussed selecting a Cultural Development Board member to speak on behalf of the Board at City Commission meetings when the Board has a recommending motion. The Board agreed that this can be done on a case-by-case basis.

NEW BUSINESS:

Dr. Roth spoke with the Board about the City's Mobile App and the possibility of adding a cultural icon to access the cultural calendar and other cultural information of interest. Dr. Roth asked staff to pursue, which staff agreed to.

DISCUSSION:

There were no discussion items.

BOARD ITEMS / CITY COMMISSION UPDATE / CITY PROJECT UPDATE:

The Board unanimously agreed to move the start time of Board meetings from 8:00 a.m. to 8:15 a.m.

ITEMS FROM THE SECRETARY:

There were no additional items.