

City of Coral Gables

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Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, September 3, 2025

9:30 AM

Sister Cities Conference Room - Coral Gables Museum

Arts Advisory Panel

Chairperson Jill Deupi
Vice Chairperson Jacek Kolasinski
Board Member Ray Corral
Board Member Nelson de Leon
Board Member Adler Guerrier
Board Member Mark Osterman
Board Member Perri Lee Roberts
Board Member Raul Valdes-Fauli
Board Member Sherry Zambrano Jackson

The Arts Advisory Panel will hold its regular meeting commencing at 9:30 a.m. Panel Members and City Staff will be physically present. All interested persons may attend in person or 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://zoom.us/j/86540364720>.

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: 865 4036 4720.

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

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 9:32 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: 7 - Chairperson Deupi, Board Member de Leon, Vice Chairperson Kolasinski, Board Member Guerrier, Board Member Lee Roberts, Board Member Osterman and Board Member Valdes-Fauli
Excused: 2 - Board Member Corral and Board Member Zambrano Jackson

A. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

[25-9653](#) Arts Advisory Panel Meeting of August 6, 2025.

Attachments: [AAP MeetingMinutes 06 August 2025 DRAFT](#)

A motion was made by Mr. Valdes-Fauli and seconded by Vice-Chair Kolasinski to approve the meeting minutes of August 6, 2025. The motion passed unanimously.

B. NEW BUSINESS

B.-1. [25-9654](#) Chair and Vice-Chair - appointments

A motion was made by Mr. Valdes-Fauli and seconded by Mr. de Leon nominating the re-instatement of Dr. Deupi as the Chair and Dr. Kolasinski as Vice-Chair of the Arts Advisory Panel for the term of office 06/01/2025 - 05/31/2025. Dr. Deupi and Dr. Kolasinski accepted their respective nominations and the motion passed unanimously.

Yeas: 7 - Chairperson Deupi, Board Member de Leon, Vice Chairperson Kolasinski, Board Member Guerrier, Board Member Lee Roberts, Board Member Osterman and Board Member Valdes-Fauli

Excused: 2 - Board Member Corral and Board Member Zambrano Jackson

B.-2. [25-9651](#) Pre-qualified Artist Request - Alicja Kwade

Attachments: [Alicja Kwade Marquez Art Projects-3](#)

Panel members received and reviewed materials about Alicja Kwade for consideration as a pre-qualified artist. After a brief discussion, the following motion was made.

A motion was made by Mr. Valdes-Fauli and seconded by Dr. Kolasinski to approve Alicja Kwade as a pre-qualified artist. The motion passed unanimously.

Yeas: 7 - Chairperson Deupi, Board Member de Leon, Vice Chairperson Kolasinski, Board Member Guerrier, Board Member Lee Roberts, Board Member Osterman and Board Member Valdes-Fauli

Excused: 2 - Board Member Corral and Board Member Zambrano Jackson

C. OLD BUSINESS

C.-1. [25-9261](#) Public Art Acquisition Proposal: Agustin Cardenas

Attachments: [0 City of Coral Gables- Agustin Cardenas 8-22-2025 APPRAISAL Agustin Cardenas Proposal - REVISED](#)
[AAP MeetingMinutes 06 August 2025 DRAFT w watermark](#)
[AC proposed locations - Following AAP Mtg](#)

Panel members received the appraisal report for artwork under consideration by artist Agustin Cardenas, along with the proposal that was previously discussed. Staff asked direction from the Panel for locations to consider should the artwork be acquired. Members expressed concerns about the sculpture being placed outdoors based on its material and high-polish finish. Following additional conversation about artwork acquisitions in general and their placement, the following motion was made.

A motion was made by Mr. Valdes-Fauli and seconded by Mr. Kolasinski to not recommend acquiring the proposed artwork as presented based on the proposed price being higher than the appraised value and the artwork lacking an identified, suitable, publicly accessible location. the motion passed with 6 in favor and 1 opposed.

Yeas: 6 - Chairperson Deupi, Board Member de Leon, Vice Chairperson Kolasinski, Board Member Guerrier, Board Member Osterman and Board Member Valdes-Fauli

Nays: 1 - Board Member Lee Roberts

Excused: 2 - Board Member Corral and Board Member Zambrano Jackson

D. ART IN PUBLIC PLACES UPDATES**D.-1. [25-8544](#) AiPP Active Project Lists**

Attachments: [AiPP Projects Municipal & Private 2025](#)
[McBride Murals - Spanish Consulate Lalone](#)

Panel members were provided with updates of current public art projects, including the removal of the Cruz-Diez crosswalks at City Hall.

D.-2. Murals Project - Economic Development Department

Ms. Cathers presented information regarding the proposed mural project administered through the Economic Development Department in association with the Spanish Consulate. Panel members requested that the Economic Development director be invited to attend the next Panel meeting to provide further details and respectfully requested to be included in the review process of future projects.

A motion was made by Mr. Valdes-Fauli and seconded by Mr. Osterman to be involved in the review process for mural project proposals moving forward. The motion passed unanimously.

E. CITY COMMISSION ITEMS

The Panel received an update of City Commission items that were passed:

- AiPP Code Revisions, second reading
- Confirmation of Arts Advisory Panel members for 2025-2027
- FL DOS Grant acceptance to proceed with a Morel Doucet exhibition
- AiPP waiver request for The Aurelian Project

Panel members were advised that the AiPP Guidelines revision to match the updated Code will be presented at the next Commission meeting.

F. DISCUSSION ITEMS**G. ITEMS FROM THE SECRETARY****ADJOURNMENT**

Next scheduled meeting: Wednesday, October 1, 2025.

NOTE