



**City of Coral Gables**  
**CITY COMMISSION MEETING**  
**August 22, 2023**

**ITEM TITLE:**

A Resolution approving celebration of the sculpture “Concepto I” by Zilia Sanchez during Miami Art Week and Art Basel, application to Art Basel for an official event, and funding up to \$35,000 from the Art Fund toward event and marketing materials (unanimously recommended by the Cultural Development Board approval/denial vote: 4 to 0); and authorize an amendment to the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Operating Budget to recognize the transfer of funds from the Art in Public Places Reserve and to appropriate such funds to put towards the cost of the event.

**DEPARTMENT HEAD RECOMMENDATION:**

n/a

**BRIEF HISTORY:**

The Cultural Development Board historically recommends city participation in Miami’s Art Week and, more specifically, an affiliation with Art Basel.

Since 2016, the city has received recognition support from Art Basel for an annual exhibition.

On March 8, 2022, the Commission approved the purchase and installation of the sculpture “Concepto I” by Zilia Sanchez, who is a celebrated artist of world renown and meets the qualifications for recognition consideration by Art Basel.

The installation site at 427 Biltmore Way is currently being prepared for installation of the sculpture.

On July 18, 2023, the Cultural Development Board discussed options for celebrating Miami Art Week and Art Basel 2023 and made a motion unanimously recommending recognition of “Concepto I” by Zilia Sanchez for application as this year’s Miami Art Week and Art Basel project.

Building on the established relationship with Art Basel, the City proposes to submit an Art Basel VIP event application to celebrate the artwork.

Funding of \$35,000 for the proposed recommendation, related expenses, and marketing is proposed through the art fund.

**ADVISORY BOARD/COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION(S):**

Date.	Board/Committee	Comments
July 18, 2023	Cultural Development Board	Recommended approval

**FINANCIAL INFORMATION: (If Applicable)**

Account No.	Amount	Source of Funds
	\$35,000	Art in Public Places, Art Fund

**ATTACHMENT(S):**

- 1. Draft Resolution**
- 2. Excerpt minutes from the Cultural Development Board meeting of July 18, 2023**
- 3. PPT**