

CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-231

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION APPROVING THE CONCEPT FOR A WORK OF PUBLIC ART BY THOMAS HOUSEAGO IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE VILLA VALENCIA DEVELOPMENT PROJECT AT 515 VALENCIA AVENUE 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, AND THE CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT BOARD APPROVAL/DENIAL VOTE: 6 TO 0).

WHEREAS, 515 Valencia SPE LLC (hereafter referred to as the “Developer”) is constructing a 39-unit condominium at 515 Valencia Avenue, Villa Valencia (the “Project”). The Developer has chosen the option of petitioning for a waiver of the Art in Public Places Fee requirement by acquiring and installing artwork within the project as specified in the Zoning Code, Article 3, Division 21; and

WHEREAS, the Project meets the requirement to contribute one percent (1.0%) of the aggregate project value to the Art Acquisition Fund pursuant to Article 3, Section 3-2103 Sub-section A2 of the Coral Gables Zoning Code; and

WHEREAS, Thomas Houseago (the "Artist"), selected by the Developer, was approved as a qualified artist by the Arts Advisory Panel in accordance with the City of Coral Gables Art in Public Places: Funding, Goals, and Implementation Guidelines; and

WHEREAS, on September 23, 2020, a concept proposal of a public artwork by Thomas Houseago was presented to the Arts Advisory Panel for review, which recommended acceptance of the concept to the Cultural Development Board; and

WHEREAS, on September 30, 2020, the concept proposal of the recommended public artwork by Thomas Houseago was presented to the Cultural Development Board, which re-viewed it and accepted the recommendation of the Arts Advisory Panel to recommend the Artists’ concept with a recommendation to fabricate the artwork at a slightly larger scale; and

WHEREAS, the proposed art piece is estimated to be \$502,275 (five hundred two thousand, two hundred, seventy-five dollars) which is comparable to the required 1% of the Aggregate Project Value of \$451,509 (four hundred fifty-one thousand, five hundred nine dollars) (as shown on **Exhibit A attached hereto**);

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF CORALGABLES:

SECTION 1. That the foregoing "Whereas" clauses are here hereby ratified and confirmed as being true and correct and are hereby made a specific part of this Resolution upon the adoption hereof.

SECTION 2. The City Commission does hereby approve the Artist's concept and proposed preliminary budget for a work of public art by Thomas Houseago in fulfillment of the Art in Public Places requirement, attached hereto as **Exhibit A**, provided that such work shall meet all other applicable criteria of the Zoning Code, and other applicable codes, statutes, laws, rules, and regulations; provided that the Developer pay any difference in the balance to the City for deposit into the Art in Public Places fund.

SECTION 3. That this Resolution shall become effective upon the date of its passage and adoption herein.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS THIRTEENTH DAY OF OCTOBER, A.D., 2020
(Moved: Lago / Seconded: Keon)
(Yeas: Keon, Lago, Mena, Fors, Jr., Valdes-Fauli)
(Unanimous: 5-0 Vote)
(Agenda Item: H-1)

APPROVED:



RAUL VALDES-FAULI
MAYOR

ATTEST:



BILLY Y. URQUIA
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM
AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:



MIRIAM SOLER RAMOS
CITY ATTORNEY