

**CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2025-68**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION APPROVING UPDATES TO THE ANNUAL CULTURAL GRANT GUIDELINES AND PROCESS INCLUDING ADDING A CATEGORY FOR CORAL GABLES YOUTH ARTS PROGRAMMING (CGYAP) WITH DEDICATED FUNDING OF \$50,000, FURTHER MAINTAINING FUNDING AT \$228,228 FOR CORAL GABLES CORE CULTURAL ORGANIZATIONS AND CULTURAL PROGRAMS (CGC AND CGP RESPECTIVELY) FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026 (RECOMMENDED BY THE CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT BOARD APPROVAL/DENIAL VOTE: 6 TO 0).

**WHEREAS**, the Cultural Development Board annually assesses the cultural grant guidelines, application, and process from the previous year with the purpose of recommending updates that are then incorporated into the next grant cycle; and

**WHEREAS**, Board member Eric Fliss presented a proposal to address the distinct intent of professional arts programming that primarily addresses youth; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposal recommended an additional category with dedicated funding, revised grant use, and an evaluation process that removes certain competitive evaluation criteria; and

**WHEREAS**, in addition, minor text updates were presented by staff for the Cultural Grant Guidelines to clarify the overall use of cultural grant funds; and

**WHEREAS**, the Cultural Development Board thoroughly reviewed the proposal and structure of the grant categories, text updates, and recommended Fiscal Year 2026 funding, and unanimously recommended approval at their meeting on February 18, 2025;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES:**

**SECTION 1.** That the foregoing “**WHEREAS**” clauses are 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 amended cultural grant guidelines and process, including adding a category for Coral Gables Youth Arts Programming with dedicated funding of \$50,000, further maintaining funding at \$288,288 for Coral Gables Core Cultural Organizations and Cultural Programs for Fiscal Year 2026.

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

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS ELEVENTH DAY OF MARCH, A.D., 2025.

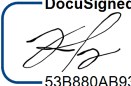
(Moved: Menendez / Seconded: Anderson)

(Yeas: Castro, Fernandez, Menendez, Anderson, Lago)

(Unanimous: 5-0 Vote)

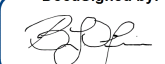
(Agenda Item: G-1)

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