

CITY OF CORAL GABLES

- MEMORANDUM -

TO:	HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY COMMISSION	DATE:	MAY 25, 2021
VIA:	PETER IGLESIAS CITY MANAGER	SUBJECT:	MOTION BY CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT BOARD CONCERNING FY2022 CULTURAL GRANT FUNDING
FROM:	CATHERINE CATHERS ARTS & CULTURE SPECIALIST		
THROUGH:	WARREN ADAMS HISTORICAL RESOURCES & CULTURAL ARTS DIRECTOR		

One of the purposes of the Cultural Development Board is to promote cultural events and make recommendations to the City Commission on requests for funding of cultural and community organizations.

Conditions of this purpose include establishing guidelines and evaluation of cultural and community organization funding requests.

Last year, due to the pandemic, Cultural Grant funds were frozen. Non-profit arts organizations continued to offer Coral Gables residents arts programming through virtual platforms during this especially vulnerable and unprecedented time in our history. Through the arts, people were able to feel less isolated, connected to diverse communities and programming, and able to experience activities they could no longer engage with in person.

The Cultural Development Board discussed arts organization's loss of ticket sales and other income during this time, acknowledging how active and productive they have been despite these challenges.

On April 6, 2021, the Cultural Development Board made the following motion recommending a 3% increase for FY2022 of \$5,737 for a total of \$196,965 for Cultural Grant funding as follows:

A motion was made by Mr. Pantin recommending an increase of 3% for FY2022 Cultural Grant funding. Ms. Horwitz seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Attachments:

Resolution by the Cultural Development Board
Excerpt Minutes from the Cultural Development Board meeting of April 6, 2021

cc: Miriam Soler Ramos, City Attorney
Diana Gomez, Finance Director