

**CITY OF CORAL GABLES
ARTS ADVISORY PANEL MEETING
Wednesday, October 2, 2024, 9:00 A.M.**

**Historical Resources & Cultural Arts Department
Hybrid Meeting & Virtual via Zoom**

MEMBERS	N	D	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O
	23	23	24									
Nelson de León	A	P	-	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	E	P
Eugenia Incer	A	A	-	E	P	P	E	P	P	P	E	P
Adler Guerrier	P	P	-	P	P	P	E	P	P	P	P	P
Maggie Hernandez	A	A	-	P	P	A	P	P	P	P	P	P
Dr. Jacek Kolasiński – <i>Vice Chair</i>	A	P	-	P	P	E	P	E	P	E	P	P
Dr. Jill Deupi* - <i>Chair</i>	P	A	-	E	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	E
Manny Mato	A	P	-	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A
Marijean Miyar	A	A	-	P	A	P	E	E	E	P	P	P
Alexandra Perez*	P	A	-	P	P	P	P	A	P	E	A	P

LEGEND: A = Absent; P = Present; V = Virtual; E = Excused; * = New Member; ^= Resigned Member;
- = No Meeting + = Special Meeting

STAFF:

Anna Pernas, Historical Resources and Cultural Arts Director
Catherine Cathers, Arts and Culture Specialist
Yvelisse Bonilla, Administrative Assistant

MEETING RECORD / MINUTES PREPARATION: Catherine Cathers, Arts & Culture Specialist,
Historical Resources & Cultural Arts Department

The Arts Advisory Panel meeting was called to order by Vice Chair Kolasiński at 9:01 AM.

A. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES:

A motion was made by Ms. Miyar, seconded by Ms. Hernandez, to approve the September 4, 2024, meeting minutes. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

B. NEW BUSINESS:

B.-1. JEAN WARD SCULPTURES – RESTORATION COLOR

Panel members reviewed a request from The Underline to have five Jean Ward sculptures installed within the Coral Gables section of The Underline through a long-term loan. The Underline requested that the three tall sculptures be painted black and the two shorter ones a cerulean blue.

Members agreed that a long-term loan would be ideal and keep the pieces in the city's collection. They discussed the color request and how it related to the original colors of the sculptures and artist's intent. It was agreed that the artist consistently used black for her works; documentation of these and similar works supported this claim.

Discussion continued about the maintenance of the artworks and any further restoration. Panel members suggested that maintenance be carried out by The Underline, along with any future restoration while in their possession.

A motion was made by Ms. Hernandez, seconded by Ms. Miyar, to paint the Jean Ward sculptures black. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

A motion was made by Ms. Hernandez, seconded by Ms. Miyar, to recommend entering into a long-term loan agreement with a recommendation that maintenance and any future restoration will be the responsibility of The Underline while the artworks are in their possession. This motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

B.-2. AIPP TEMPORARY ARTWORK EXHIBITION REQUEST – THE PLAZA

Isabel Garcia with Bradesco Bank, and Jose Antonio with The Plaza, joined the meeting via Zoom and requested permission to paint a mural on a wall outside of the Loews Hotel. A presentation of the artwork by Brazilian artist Eduardo Kobra was provided. The requesters stated that they expect the artwork to remain for up for 4-5 years.

A motion was made by Ms. Hernandez, seconded by Mr. de León, recommending approval subject to seeing the revised renderings. This motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

B.-3. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION DIRECTING CITY STAFF TO EXPLORE ADDITIONAL NOTICE OPTIONS WITH THE CITY'S ART ADVISORY PANEL AND CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT BOARD WHEN THE CITY IS ACQUIRING AND INSTALLING NEW WORKS OF ART UTILIZING THE CITY'S ART FUND.

Panel members discussed the recent City Commission Resolution sponsored by Vice Mayor Anderson requesting suggestions for public notification of new artworks proposed by the city. Members noted that all meetings are noticed, and discussions and motions are recorded; however, they suggested placing a temporary sign at proposed city project sites that would include meeting dates and a QR code linking to more information.

C. OLD BUSINESS:

None

D. ART IN PUBLIC PLACES UPDATES :

Panel members were provided with a list of current public art initiatives.

E. CITY COMMISSION ITEMS:

None

F. DISCUSSION ITEMS:

F.-1. STRATEGIC PLAN – CULTURAL ARTS FOCUS AREA

Board Member were invited to attend the joint meeting between the Cultural Development Board and the Economic Development Board taking place on October 15, 2024, at 8:30 AM.

A motion was made by Ms. Miyar, seconded by Ms. Hernandez, to nominate Mr. Guerrier to represent the Arts Advisory Panel at the joint meeting between the Cultural Development Board and the Economic Development Board on October 15, 2024. This motion passed by voice vote.

F.-2. PONCE CIRCLE PARK

This item was deferred.

G. ITEMS FROM THE SECRETARY:

Ms. Cathers announced that October is National Arts & Humanities Month.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:33 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Catherine J. Cathers
Arts & Culture Specialist