



**City of Coral Gables  
CITY COMMISSION MEETING  
September 28, 2021**

**ITEM TITLE:**

A Resolution of the City Commission approving artists for public art proposal submittals associated with the new public Parking Garage 7, Minorca Garage. (Unanimously recommended by the Cultural Development Board approval/denial vote: 5 to 0).

**DEPARTMENT HEAD RECOMMENDATION:**

Approval

**BRIEF HISTORY:**

A Request for Qualifications (RFQ) was announced nationally inviting artists to submit qualifications and interest in developing a public art design proposal for the new public Parking Garage 7. Artists were advised that artwork is sought that is light-based and functions as a beacon to identify the public safety building location, welcoming people to the site as a place of safety, help, and refuge.

The Arts Advisory Panel met and reviewed seventy-nine (79) applications from artists who responded to a Request for Qualifications (RFQ). The Panel, along with department staff, Police Chief Hudak, Fire Chief de la Rosa, and parking director Kevin Kinney interviewed seven (7) artists and made a motion to invite four (4) artists to submit proposals: Grimanesa Amoros, Brookhart Jonquil, Monika Bravo, and Ivan Toth Depena.

The Cultural Development Board met and reviewed the artist recommendations of the Arts Advisory Panel, reviewed the artist list of respondents to the Request for Qualification (RFQ) and viewed their submissions. After thorough discussion, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Arts Advisory Panel.

Funds for the public art proposal process are being proposed through use of the art acquisition fund.

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

Date	Board/Committee	Comments
05/19/2021	Cultural Development Board	Recommend Parking Garage 7 Proposal Artists

**FINANCIAL INFORMATION:**

Amount	Account number	Source of Funds
\$15,000	460-9900-545-63-00	Art in Public Places, Art Acquisition Fund

**ATTACHMENT(S):**

1. Draft Resolution
2. Parking Garage 7 RFQ artist list
3. Parking Garage 7 Recommended Proposal Artists response to RFQ
4. Cultural Development Board meeting minutes of May 19, 2021