



**City of Coral Gables
CITY COMMISSION MEETING
January 08, 2018**

ITEM TITLE:

Cultural Development Board meeting minutes of December 14, 2018.

SUMMARY OF MEETING:

PERSONAL APPEARANCE:

a. ARTS & BUSINESS COUNCIL ANNUAL PRESENTATION – LAURA BRUNEY

Ms. Bruney introduced herself and thanked the Board for the ongoing support of Arts & Business Council programs for Coral Gables Cultural Grantees.

NEW BUSINESS:

There was no new business.

CULTURAL GRANTEE REQUESTS, UPDATES, & REVIEWS:

a. DISCUSSION REGARDING CULTURAL GRANT

The Board discussed the scoring process for this year's Cultural Grants and commented on the better quality of this year's grant applications.

b. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

Board members noted attending Actors' Playhouse and the public art dedications and receptions at Giralda Plaza for Sibylle Pasche's artworks *Coral Forest* and *Secrets of the Sea*; Balboa Plaza for Roberto Behar and Rosario Marquadt's *A Midsummer Night's Dream*; and for Hank Willis Thomas' "*The truth is I welcome you*" reception and pop-up exhibition on Miracle Mile.

ART IN PUBLIC PLACES UPDATES:

a. PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING – PUBLIC ART PROPOSALS

Ms. Spain updated the Board on the proposal process for public art at the new Coral Gables Public Safety Building. She stated that the artists previously provided to the Board have submitted their proposals and that the proposals have been forwarded to the City Commission prior to release for public comment. Ms. Cathers confirmed the three artists as Jose Bedia, Martin Dawe with Cherrylion Studios, and Ivan Toth-Depena. Staff advised that public comments will be forwarded to the Public Safety Building, Public Art Review Panel consisting of the Arts Advisory Panel, Leslie Pantin from the CDB (previously nominated and confirmed by the Cultural Development Board), Police Chief Hudak, and Fire Chief Barger. The Panel, Ms. Cathers said, will then make a recommendation to the Cultural Development Board, who would then make a recommendation to the City Commission with the Commission having the final decision of the artist and proposal to move forward.

b. CIFO DONATION

The Board was advised of the City Commission's discussion and request to have a location recommendation and maintenance plan for the CIFO donated artwork by Fredy Alzate Gomez. Staff reported that the Arts Advisory Panel received the Commission's direction and discussed at their meeting of November 28th. Staff advised that due to the materials and anticipated maintenance, the Arts Advisory

Panel recommends an indoor location for the artwork. After discussing, the following recommendation was made:

Ms. Burgos made a motion accepting the recommendation of the Arts Advisory Panel as presented to seek an indoor location for the CIFO sculpture donation by Fredy Alzate Gomez. Dr. Alvarez-Perez seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

c. **SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT PROCESS FOR TEMPORARY PUBLIC ART**

The Board was informed that City staff is discussing establishing a separate process to approve and administer temporary art installations that do not use Art Acquisition funds. The Board was advised that the process would go through the Economic Development department. The Board expressed their concern and requested more information prior to City Commission consideration.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

The Board discussed having more direct communication with the Arts Advisory Panel. After a brief discussion, the following motion was made:

Dr. Alvarez-Perez made a motion to hold a joint meeting with the Arts Advisory Panel every six (6) months. Ms. Burgos seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

ITEMS FROM THE SECRETARY:

Ms. Spain announced that a new member of the Board is anticipated for appointment by Commissioner Mena at the next City Commission meeting.

FY2018-2019 CULTURAL GRANT REVIEW & SCORING:

Members of the community arrived. Dr. Roth called the FY2018-2019 Cultural Grant Review & Scoring meeting to order at 9:15 a.m.

Dr. Alvarez-Perez made a motion to move the University of Miami, School of Communication application to the Cultural Program category. Ms. Burgos seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Ms. Burgos made a motion to accept the Board's FY2018-2019 Cultural Grant application scores as presented. Dr. Alvarez-Perez seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Ms. Burgos made a motion to accept the recommended allocations as presented for distribution of FY2018-2019 Cultural Grant funds. Dr. Mayorga seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.