



City of Doral Cultural Affairs Advisory Board Minutes

Monday, October 12th, 2021

6:00pm

Doral Government Center

8401 N.W. 53rd Terrace

Doral, FL 33166

1. **Call to Order**

Meeting was called to order at 6:06pm.

2. **Roll Call of Board Members**

Carmen E. Ramos, Chair	Present (via telephone)
Isabel Del Castillo, Vice Chair ✓	Present
Mariela Kronen, Secretary	Present
Katty Acon, Board Member	Present
Elizabeth Wiegandt, Board Member	Absent

Also present were:

Laura Medina, Parks & Recreation Department

Luimari Zibetti Garcia (citizen)

Carolina De Leon-Suarez (Doral citizen)

3. **Pledge of Allegiance**

4. **Public Comments.**

- a. Carolina De Leon-Suarez, introduced herself as a resident of Doral and as owner of Crescendo Art Studio. She is a musician and conductor. Ms. Leon-Suarez proposed creating a symphony orchestra for the City of Doral and which belongs to the City of Doral. She proposed a partnership in which she would be paid as an instructor and conductor. Ms. Leon-Suarez suggested the Doral Cultural Center as the location for this proposed symphony orchestra. Board members asked questions and listened to some of the general ideas regarding the proposal. Both Isabel Del Castillo and Mariela Kronen suggested that Ms. De Leon-Suarez include an initiative in her proposal that makes the classes accessible to children who may not be able to afford such classes. Ms. De Leon-Suarez agreed. **Motion to refer Ms. Carolina Leon-Suarez to present**

a more detailed proposal to the City of Doral for further consideration made by Mariela Kronen and seconded by Isabel Del Castillo.

- b. Citizen Luimari Zibetti Garcia proposed the light-projecting boxes that illuminate the "Micco" sculpture to be painted artistically. She suggested perhaps creating a contest for kids to paint the boxes artistically. Ms. Zibetti Garcia also discussed her concern regarding mask mandates in City Hall, stating that it may be a violation of the ADA (American Disabilities Act). She further stated that she is currently homeless. She also mentioned her intent to sit across City Hall and offer school children to burn their masks. **Motion to refer Ms. Luimar Zibetti Garcia to present her proposal regarding the two metal boxes to the City of Doral for further consideration made by Mariela Kronen and seconded by Isabel Del Castillo.**

5. Discussion Items

- a. **Cultural Affairs Advisory Board Mission and Role.** Following up on previous discussions regarding this subject, Laura Medina explained that event proposals can be done in two ways: (i) if it is an event that is outside of the Parks and Recreation department, then such proposal would need to be presented to council to get the budget for it or create the partnership with the city to make such event happen; or, (ii) if there is a proposal for an event for which only the space is required (i.e., it is within the Parks and Receptions budget and/or can be included in existing events), then it can be presented to the Cultural Affairs Advisory Board.

Carmen E. Ramos further explained that the Cultural Affairs Advisory Board falls within the Parks and Recreation department. The Board is composed of volunteers and as such, they present the project/event and it would come to fruition through Parks and Recreation. In other words, Parks and Recreation would tell the Board what to do. Isabel Del Castillo asked what the deadline is for the Board to submit proposals to the city for approval for events in the year 2022.

- b. **Events.** The Board discussed some of the upcoming events, such as the Silver Club Workshop (November 2021), holiday events in December, Movies at the Park (January 28th, 2022), etc. Laura Medina submitted a document titled "Upcoming Events", which is attached hereto as Exhibit A. She also presented a flyer regarding a "Call to Artists" for artwork to be considered for permanent installation in the city. The flyer is attached hereto as Exhibit B.

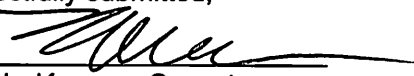
6. Future Meeting Date

Monday, December 6th, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

7. Discussion of next meeting agenda items.

8. Adjournment. Meeting adjourned by Mariela Kronen at 7:10pm and was seconded by Katty Acon.



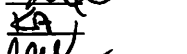


Respectfully submitted,



Mariela Kronen, Secretary

Motion to approve the minutes of the October 12th, 2021 Cultural Affairs Advisory Board Meeting
made by Board Member _____ and seconded by Board Member
_____.

Carmen Ramos, Chair
Isabel Del Castillo, Vice Chair
Mariela Kronen, Secretary
Katty Acon, Board Member
Elizabeth Wiegandt, Board Member

APPROVED and ADOPTED this 14th day of March, 2022.



Carmen E. Ramos, Chair