

## City of Doral Cultural Affairs Advisory Board Minutes

Monday, March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2022 6:00pm Doral Government Center 8401 N.W. 53 Terrace Doral, FL 33166

 Call to Order Meeting was called to order at 6:02 p.m.

## 2. Roll Call of Board Members

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

## Also present were:

Diana Maldonado, Parks & Recreation Department Danika Green, Parks & Recreation Department Manny Torres (Doral citizen)

- 3. Pledge of Allegiance
- 4. Motion to Approve the minutes of the October 12th, 2021 Board meeting by Mariela Kronen and seconded by Isabel Del Castillo.
- 5. Public Comments
  - There were no public comments made.
- Discussion Items
  - a. Cultural Arts Center. According to Diana Maldonado, the center will open at the end of May or beginning of June 2022. The City of Doral is currently planning the grand opening. Carmen Ramos asked about the Cultural Advisory Affairs Board members being invited to the grand opening and Diana Maldonado confirmed that yes, the members will be invited.
  - b. Ideas for Events.
    - (i) Diana Maldonado requested ideas from the Board members to propose to the City of Doral. Mariela Kronen mentioned revisiting a prior proposal made to the Parks and Recreation Department about inviting students from local schools to submit work for the Short Films Festival event. Mariela Kronen will re-send the contact in-

formation previously submitted to Diana Maldonado, who will in turn touch base with the school(s). Elizabeth Wiegandt expressed her concern regarding not being able to discuss ideas and proposals with other Board members outside of the Cultural Advisory Affairs Board scheduled meetings. Diana Maldonado explained that the members can call a special meeting to discuss such ideas and proposals. Carmen Ramos mentioned theatre events. Mariela Kronen mentioned the Fever events happening around Miami as an example of events that could be brought to the City of Doral.

- (ii) There was additional discussion regarding the City's Cultural Arts Center and what it will look like. Diana Maldonado explained that there will be space for both permanent art pieces and rotating art exhibits and that the center will be open for people to hold events as well. Elizabeth Wiegandt asked about art classes for children, suggesting stained glass and decoupage classes in order to expose children to different types of art. Diana Maldonado stated that there will be activities handled by Parks and Recreation staff and by third party providers. Isabel Del Castillo inquired about having music classes for children as well.
- (iii) Carmen Ramos and Isabel Del Castillo brought up a previously discussed item (presented during the October 12th, 2021 Board meeting) regarding a letter of interest presented by citizen Carolina De Leon-Suarez for a City of Doral symphonic orchestra. Diana Maldonado stated that she will contact Ms. De Leon-Suarez and explain the process for presenting a detailed proposal to the City of Doral.
- c. Events. The Board discussed some of the upcoming events, such as EGGstravaganza, Earth Day, Mother's Day artisan market, Art After Dark, Memorial Day, and the photo exhibit event (to be held in the Cultural Arts Center in June), among others. Diana Maldonado presented the Board members with copies of the 2022 upcoming events City of Doral guide. Isabel Del Castillo inquired about different levels of ability for the sports events, especially for those who wish to learn a sport. Danika Green explained that the majority of the sports events have different levels and people available to teach.
- 7. Future Meeting Date
  Monday, May 9th, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.

APPROVED and ADOPTED this 9th day of May 2022.

- 8. Discussion of next meeting agenda items. None were noted.
- 9. Adjournment. Meeting adjourned by Elizabeth Wiegandt at 7:07pm and was seconded by Mariela Kronen.

Respectfully submitted,	
Mariela Kronen, Secretary	
Motion to approve the minutes of the by Board Member	March 14th, 2022 Cultural Affairs Advisory Board Meeting made
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Carmen Ramos, Chair Isabel Del Castillo, Vice Chair Mariela Kronen, Secretary	Glames Kames (Costret)
Katty Acon, Board Member Elizabeth Wiegandt, Board Member	Katter

Carmen E. Ramos, Chair