



# City of Doral Cultural Affairs Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, January 16, 2024  
10:00 a.m.

Doral Government Center  
1<sup>st</sup> Floor Multipurpose Room  
8401 NW 53<sup>rd</sup> Terrace  
Doral, FL 33166

**1. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 10:11 a.m.

**2. Roll Call of Board Members**

Carmen Ramos, Chair	Present
Nubia Abaji, Vice Chair	Present
Lydia Perez, Secretary	Absent/Excused
Jayson Pena, Board Member	Present
Eduardo Osorio, Board Member	Present

**Staff present:**

Diana Maldonado, Parks & Recreation Department  
Johanna Villasmil, Parks & Recreation Department

**3. Pledge of Allegiance**

**4. Public Comments**

**5. Approval of Minutes**

**a. November 14, 2023**

**Motion to approve the minutes of the November 14, 2023 meeting made by board member Jayson Pena and seconded by board member Carmen Ramos. By consensus, motion passes unanimously.**

**6. Discussion Items**

**a. Classic Car Exhibition**

Jayson has been trying to get in contact with Doral Cityplace. He has tried to reach out via phone and email but no luck, so he was wondering if the city had a better way to approach them. Diana informed Jayson to reach out to Marion, the Mayor's Chief of Staff, because at the last meeting she mentioned she had a contact for Cityplace. Jayson informed the board that he would be reaching out to Marion. The target date for the Classic Car Exhibition will still be April/May.

**7. Recap from Department Liaison**

- a. Johanna Villasmil briefly introduced herself to the board. She is the new Cultural Arts Center Facility Manager and will be attending the Cultural Affairs Advisory Board Meetings.
- b. Diana presented the upcoming events:
  - a. Vendor & Business Fair – February 8
  - b. Downtown Doral Art Walk – February 10
  - c. Movies at the Park – February 23
  - d. Miami Symphony Orchestra – February 24

**8. Open Discussion**

- a. The board wants better communication. They want to be more active and be informed about events that Doral is hosting, such as the State of the City Address and 9/11 memorial ceremony. They also want to know the events that different advisory boards are planning/hosting. Overall, the board wants to build a mechanism where they are informed of all the events going on and know the details of that event in case a resident asks them.
- b. Jayson presented a motion to the board –**Motion for discussion to be opened to design a mechanism for communication across all advisory boards** made by board member Jayson Pena and seconded by Eduardo Osorio. By consensus, motion passes unanimously. More will be discussed at the next meeting.

**9. Discussion of Next Meeting Agenda Items**

- a. Classic Car exhibition (Doral Cityplace)

**10. Adjournment:** Meeting adjourns at 11:02 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

by Carmen Ramos  
Lydia Perez, Secretary

Motion to approve the minutes of the January 16, 2024 Cultural Affairs Advisory Board Meeting made by Board Member Nubia Abaji and seconded by Board Member Jayson Pena.

Carmen Ramos, Chair	<u>CR</u>
Nubia Abaji, Vice Chair	<u>NA</u>
Lydia Perez, Secretary	<u>LP</u>
Jayson Pena, Member	<u>JP</u>
Eduardo Osorio, Member	<u>EO</u>

APPROVED and ADOPTED this 12 day of March, 2024.

Carmen Ramos  
Carmen Ramos, Chair