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**MINUTES OF THE
MIAMI-DADE COUNTY ART IN PUBLIC PLACES (APP) TRUST**

Tuesday, March 11, 2025
12:30 PM – 2:00 PM

Location

Art in Public Places Offices, 111 NW 1st Street, Miami 33128 / Zoom online meeting

MEMBERS PRESENT

Carol Damian, Chairperson
Maggie Hernandez
Mercedes Lopez Cisneros
Julio Grabiell
Zammy Migdal
Asael "Ace" Marrero

MEMBERS NOT PRESENT

Bernadette Pierre
Sandy Dorsainvil
Kathryn Mikesell
David Fernandez

STAFF

Ashlee K. Thomas, Deputy Director
Graham Winick, Assistant Director
Stefania Barigelli
Eduardo Calero
Yusimy Lara
Ana Meza
Alex Peraza
Pablo Rincon
Patricia Romeu
Amanda Sanfilippo Long

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Chairperson Carol Damian called the meeting to order at 12:30 PM.

ITEMS FOR APPROVAL

Requests for Excused Absences for February 11, 2025, Trust Meeting

Requests for excused absences were submitted by Sandy Dorsainvil, Kathryn Mikesell, David Fernandez and Bernadette Pierre (Motion by Mr. Grabiell, seconded by Ms. Hernandez).

Approval of February 11, 2025 APP Trust Meeting Minutes

The minutes of February 11, 2025, APP Trust meeting minutes were approved unanimously (Motion by Ms. Lopez-Cisneros, seconded by Ms. Hernandez).

Approval of February 20, 2025 Professional Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

The minutes of February 20, 2025, Professional Advisory Committee meeting minutes were approved unanimously (Motion by Mr. Migdal, seconded by Ms. Lopez-Cisneros).

Trust Resolution No. APPT 25-10

Trust Resolution No. APPT 25-10 authorizes a Professional Artist Services Agreement with Carrington Ware in the fixed amount of \$128,000.00 for design, fabrication, and installation of the artwork for the Wellsprings Apartments project.

The motion to adopt Trust Resolution No. APPT 25-10 was approved unanimously (Motion by Ms. Hernandez, seconded by Mr. Grabiell).

Trust Resolution No. APPT 25-11

Trust Resolution No. APPT 25-11 authorizes a Professional Artist Services Agreement with Marcus Blake in the fixed amount of \$80,000.00 for design, fabrication, and installation of the artwork for the Wellsprings Apartments project.

The motion to adopt Trust Resolution No. APPT 25-11 was approved unanimously (Motion by Ms. Hernandez, seconded by Ms. Grabiell).

Trust Resolution No. APPT 25-12

Trust Resolution No. APPT 25-12 authorizes Addendum I to the Professional Artist Services Agreement with Thundersnow Road, LLC (lead artist Xaviera Simmons) in the not-to-exceed amount of \$105,000.00 for additional Phase II - Fabrication and Installation Services for the Marshall L. Davis, Sr. African Heritage Cultural Arts Center artwork project.

The motion to adopt Trust Resolution No. APPT 25-12 was approved unanimously (Motion by Mr. Grabiell, seconded by Mr. Migdal).

Trust Resolution No. APPT 25-13

Trust Resolution No. APPT 25-13 authorizes Addendum I to the Professional Artist Services Agreement with KundeArt, LLC (lead artist Ernesto Kunde) in the not-to-exceed amount of \$111,250.00 for Phase II - Fabrication and Installation Services for the Quail Roost Transit Village Phase II artwork project.

The motion to adopt Trust Resolution No. APPT 25-13 was approved unanimously (Motion by Ms. Lopez-Cisneros, seconded by Ms. Hernandez).

Trust Resolution No. APPT 25-14

Trust Resolution No. APPT 25-14 authorizes Addendum I to a Professional Artist Services Agreement with Loni Johnson in the fixed fee amount of \$70,000.00 for Phase II – Fabrication and Installation for the Civil and Probate Courthouse artwork project.

The motion to adopt Trust Resolution No. APPT 25-14 was approved unanimously (Motion by Mr. Grabiell, seconded by Ms. Hernandez).

Trust Resolution No. APPT 25-15

Trust Resolution No. APPT 25-15 approves the recommendations of the Trust Executive Committee for two new Professional Advisory Committee members, Ms. Maggie Cuesta and Ms. Dainy Tapia. The motion to adopt Trust Resolution No. APPT 25-15 was approved unanimously (Motion by Ms. Hernandez, seconded by Ms. Lopez-Cisneros).

Reports and Discussion Items

Program Updates

APP Program Chief Patricia Romeu announced that in response to an influx of new Miami-Dade County Housing Community Development projects, the Art in Public Places program seeks to create a shortlist of approximately 25-30 artists that can be drawn upon to create artwork proposals for various housing initiatives, including affordable, workforce and elderly housing throughout the County with differing construction timelines. Artists shortlists will be subject to the approval of the Trust and will remain active for a minimum of (1) year from the approval of the initial artists shortlist pool.

Ms. Romeu also announced that a separate shortlist of artists will be created to choose from for the acquisition of existing artworks for the remaining locations and wall areas throughout the public spaces in the new Civil and Probate Courthouse. The total budget allocation for these acquisitions is \$300,000.00.

APP Curator and Artists Manager Amanda Sanfilippo Long announced there are two (2) upcoming major Call to Artists for the Garage Cladding project at Miami International Airport and for the Miami-Dade County Control and Command Center.

Collection Updates

Ms. Romeu mentioned that the Stephen P. Clark Government Center lobby's ceiling is being replaced and the light-based artwork from Ivan Toth Depeña will be temporarily turned off and covered for protection purposes.

Ms. Sanfilippo Long shared that the program has received a quote for the restoration of the work by Claes Oldenburg and Coosje van Bruggen, "Dropped Bowl with Scattered Slices and Peels", and is in communication with the artist's estate for this project.

Ms. Sanfilippo Long also shared that the planned restoration of the work by Kenneth Snelson "*City Booth*" located at Miami Dade College Wolfson Campus, has been placed on hold due to a campuswide renovation plan.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Pursuant to Article IV Section 2 of the Art in Public Places Trust Bylaws, the Trust elected a new slate of officers and the executive committee. After a ballot was circulated, the Trust voted unanimously to appoint three officers: Carol Damian as Chairperson, Maggie Hernandez as Vice-Chairperson, Zamy Migdal as Secretary / Treasurer, and two Executive Committee Members At-Large: Julio Grabiell and Mercedes Lopez-Cisneros.

With no further business, the meeting of the Art in Public Places Trust was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Amanda Sanfilippo Long, Curator and Artist Manager, Art in Public Places
Miami-Dade County Department of Cultural Affairs