

Memorandum

Date: April 8, 2025

To: Chair and Members
Art in Public Places Trust

From: Marialaura Leslie, Director
Department of Cultural Affairs

Subject: Trust Resolution No. APPT 25-16 / Rainbow Village Phase I / Artist Proposal Contracts

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RESOLUTION APPROVING PROPOSAL CONTRACTS IN SUBSTANTIALLY THE FORM ATTACHED WITH THE FOLLOWING EIGHT (8) ARTISTS IN THE NOT-TO-EXCEED FEE AMOUNTS AS DESCRIBED BELOW FOR EACH ARTIST:

Local-based Shortlist

	Recommended Artist	Proposal Fee
1	Bosque, Liene	\$ 1,000.00
2	Caneca, Maritza	\$ 1,000.00
3	Jenkins, Luke	\$ 1,000.00
4	Lacey, Brian	\$ 1,000.00
5	O’Neal, Reginald	\$ 1,000.00
6	Peñafiel, Edison	\$ 1,000.00
7	Sanchez-Calderon, George	\$ 1,000.00
8	Weeks, Marvin	\$ 1,000.00
	Combined Total Expenditure:	\$ 8,000.00

FOR A COMBINED TOTAL EXPENDITURE AMOUNT NOT-TO-EXCEED \$8,000.00 FOR THE RAINBOW VILLAGE PHASE I PROJECT (FROM MIAMI-DADE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT- HOUSING TRUST GROUP PUBLIC ART FUND).

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Art in Public Places Trust approve Proposal Contracts in substantially the form attached with the following eight (8) artists in the not-to-exceed fee amounts as described below for each artist:

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1	Bosque, Liene	\$ 1,000.00
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For a combined total expenditure amount not-to-exceed \$8,000.00 for the Rainbow Village Phase I Housing Development project.

Background

A meeting of the Professional Advisory Committee (PAC) convened on March 20, 2025, to review the credentials of eighty (80) artists who submitted qualifications from a regional Call to Artists to compete for public art opportunities related to the design and construction of a new affordable housing development, known as Rainbow Village Phase I, a partnership between Miami-Dade County Department of Housing and Community Development and the Housing Trust Group (HTG). With an estimated completion timeline of 24 months, **Rainbow Village Phase I** is a campus of four individual buildings. These “live – work” units on the Overtown and Wynwood border are envisioned to be constructed over four phases, with the first including a 7-story 310 unit new building. The property will feature a top-tier market-quality amenity package designed by the award-winning architecture firm Zyscovich including a resort-style pool and sundeck with cabanas. This is the first phase in the redevelopment of an existing public housing campus built in 1972.

The Call envisioned that artists will approach the commission opportunities to pay homage to the history and rich cultural heritage of Miami’s Overtown neighborhood since the 1970’s. Opportunities for public art include, but are not limited to, two-dimensional artworks to activate the building lobby and common areas, including site-specific installations, durable applications and applied artworks, stand-alone sculpture or site-specific artworks in durable materials for the pool deck area, seating and shading structures, durable two-dimensional applications to exterior walls, artworks to activate two (2) open-air courtyards within the building, light-based artworks, artist’s designed patterns for hardscape and plazas to serve as wayfinding and to visually connect all different development phases throughout the property. After careful deliberation and input from the client teams, the PAC unanimously recommended a pool of (20) different regional artists and recommended that APP staff draw smaller shortlists from this pool based on the specific project’s timing and scale of diverse opportunities. APP staff is recommending the following shortlist of eight (8) Miami-based artists for Phase I of this project:

1. Bosque, Liene
1. Caneca, Maritza
2. Jenkins, Luke
3. Lacey, Brian
4. O'Neal, Reginald
5. Peñafiel, Edison
6. Sanchez-Calderon, George
7. Weeks, Marvin

APP staff recommends the approval of Trust Resolution APPT No. 25-16 authorizing Proposal Contracts in substantially the form attached with the above eight (8) artists in the fixed fee amount of \$1000.00 each for proposal development services for the new Rainbow Village Phase I housing development project.