

Memorandum



Date: June 16, 2026

To: Chair and Members
Art in Public Places Trust

From: Ashlee K. Thomas, Interim Director
Department of Cultural Affairs

Subject: Trust Resolution No. APPT 26-39 / Gardens and Residences at Casa Familia
(Phase II and III) / Artist Proposal Contracts

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RESOLUTION APPROVING PROPOSAL CONTRACTS IN SUBSTANTIALLY THE FORM ATTACHED WITH THE FOLLOWING SEVEN (7) ARTISTS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,000.00 EACH:

South Florida-based Artists

	Recommended Artist	Proposal Fee
1	Harume Abe	\$1,000.00
2	Regina Jestrow	\$1,000.00
3	Aramis O'Reilly	\$1,000.00
4	John Roble	\$1,000.00
5	Nicole Salcedo	\$1,000.00
6	Ana Urvina	\$1,000.00
7	Addison Wolff	\$1,000.00
	Combined Total Expenditure:	\$7,000.00

FOR A TOTAL EXPENDITURE AMOUNT NOT-TO-EXCEED \$7,000.00 FOR THE GARDENS AT CASA FAMILIA (PHASE II) AND RESIDENCES AT CASA FAMILIA (PHASE III) (FROM MIAMI-DADE COUNTY COMMUNITY ACTION AND HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT AND PINNACLE HOUSING PUBLIC ART FUNDS).

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Art in Public Places Trust approve Proposal Contracts in substantially the form attached with the following seven (7) artists in the amount of \$1,000.00 each:

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For a total expenditure amount not-to-exceed \$7,000.00 for The Gardens at Casa Familia (Phase II) and Residences at Casa Familia (Phase III) (From Miami-Dade County Community Action And Human Services Department and Pinnacle Housing Public Art Funds).

Background

A meeting of the Professional Advisory Committee (PAC) convened on April 24, 2025, to review the credentials of one hundred and seventy-eight (178) artists who submitted qualifications from a South Florida Regional Call to Artists to participate in the Artist Registry for public art opportunities related to various Miami-Dade Housing and Community Development projects across the County. In response to an influx of new public-private housing developments with fast-track completion schedules, the Art in Public Places program sought to create a broader shortlist of local-based artists who would be grouped in smaller shortlists and invited to develop proposals for specific housing initiatives, including affordable, workforce, and elderly housing with differing construction timelines. On May 13, 2025, the Art in Public Places Trust approved the PAC recommended Artists Housing Registry shortlist of 31 artists eligible for up to (1) year from this approval to participate in various project-specific proposal development opportunities. This registry was further expanded with a pool of artists originally shortlisted but not commissioned by the PAC for the Rainbow Village and Courtside Apartments housing projects.

Per this initiative, APP staff suggests a shortlist of seven (7) regional artists to develop proposals for the Gardens and Residences at Casa Familia (Phases II and III of the overall project). The Garden and Residences at Casa Familia are located at 10931 SW 84 St, Miami-Dade, FL 33173 and comprised 50 units in a (4) four-story building. The development will serve individuals with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities that affect social and cognitive areas such as language, communication, learning, self-care, mobility, interpretation of social cues, and independent living; Autism, Down Syndrome, Prader Willis, & Cerebral Palsy.

Opportunities for public art include an integrated, artist-designed fence as well as a large exterior wall for either a painted mural or a tile/mosaic applied artwork. Phase I of the project included a site-specific commission by Miami-based artist Joyce Billet featuring a water feature and seating elements. Funds from both remaining phases will be combined to fund the fence and mural opportunities.

From the PAC approved South Florida Artist Registry, APP staff recommends approval of Trust Resolution APPT No. 26-39 authorizing proposal contracts with each of the following seven (7) artists in the amount of \$1,000.00 each for proposal development services for the Gardens and Residences projects at Casa Familia:

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| 2. Regina Jestrow | 5. Nicole Salcedo | |
| 3. Aramis O'Reilly | 6. Ana Urvina | |