Memorandum



Date: October 11, 2022

To: Chair and Members Art in Public Places Trust

From: Michael Spring, Director Department of Cultural Affairs

Subject: Trust Resolution No. APPT 22-48 / Grove Central / Artist Proposal Contracts

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RESOLUTION APPROVING PROPOSAL CONTRACTS IN SUBSTANTIALLY THE FORM ATTACHED WITH THE FOLLOWING ELEVEN (11) ARTISTS IN THE NOT-TO-EXCEED FEE AMOUNTS AS DESCRIBED BELOW FOR EACH ARTIST:

	Recommended Artists Shortlist Chris Friday	Proposal Fee	
1		\$	1,500.00
2	Mark Handforth	\$	1,500.00
3	Juan Ledesma	\$	1,500.00
4	Nicolas Lobo	\$	1,500.00
5	Jared McGriff	\$	1,500.00
6	Nick Mahshie	\$	1,500.00
7	Beatriz Monteavaro	\$	1,500.00
8	Gavin Perry	\$	1,500.00
9	R & R Studios (lead artists Rosario Marquardt & Roberto Behar)	\$	1,500.00
10	Asser St. Val	\$	1,500.00
11	Octavia Yearwood and Amani Lewis (collaboration)	\$	1,500.00
	Alternate		
1	Mette Tommerup		
	Combined Total Expenditure:	\$	16,500.00

FOR A COMBINED TOTAL EXPENDITURE AMOUNT NOT-TO-EXCEED \$16,500.00 FOR THE GROVE CENTRAL DEVELOPMENT PROJECT AT THE GROUNDS OF THE COCONUT GROVE METRORAIL STATION (FROM MIAMI-DADE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC WORKS – TERRA 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 eleven (11) artists in the not-to-exceed fee amounts as described below for each artist:

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For a combined total expenditure amount not-to-exceed \$16,500.00 for the Grove Central Development project at the grounds of the Coconut Grove Metrorail Station.

Background

A meeting of the Professional Advisory Committee (PAC) convened on September 27, 2022 with the purpose of reviewing artist qualifications for Grove Central. This public-private development is a mixed-use commercial and residential hub designed for transit convenience, walkable lifestyle and environmental sustainability. The project's central, urban-infill-location and the immediately adjacent Coconut Grove Metrorail Station provide residents easy access to Miami's major employment centers, retail and entertainment hubs, universities, international airport, and particularly the central business districts of Coconut Grove, Coral Gables, Brickell and Downtown Miami. Designated as a transit-oriented development, Grove Central incorporates a landscaped pedestrian plaza connecting the Metrorail station and bus system to the project's retail spaces. The project plan includes significant upgrades to the adjacent transit station and incorporates The Underline, Miami's unique 10-mile linear park and urban trail.

Opportunities for public art include, but are not limited to, station improvements to the newly built bus terminal including free-standing sculpture, applications to canopies, wayfinding solutions to enhance connectivity between various modes of transportation (Metrorail, bus, vehicle garage, The Underline bicycle and walking path), cladding or two-dimensional applications to exterior walls, and concepts for exterior lighting. The linear plaza in between the Metrorail station and the new facility is suitable for placement of free-standing sculptures, a wall-based installation on a featured wall, and for artworks that integrate within the plaza landscape.

After careful deliberation and input from the client teams, the PAC unanimously recommended the following eleven (11) artists and one (1) alternate to create full proposals for site-specific commissions:

- 1. Chris Friday
- 2. Mark Handforth
- 3. Juan Ledesma
- 4. Nicolas Lobo
- 5. Jared McGriff
- 6. Nick Mahshie
- 7. Beatriz Monteavaro
- 8. Gavin Perry
- 9. R & R Studios lead artists Rosario Marquardt & Roberto Behar
- 10. Asser St. Val
- 11. Octavia Yearwood and Amani Lewis (collaboration)

Alternate: Mette Tommerup

APP staff recommends approval of Trust Resolution APPT No. 22-48 authorizing Proposal Contracts in substantially the form attached with the above eleven (11) artists, each in the fixed fee amount of \$1,500.00, for proposal development services for the Grove Central development project for a combined not-to-exceed expenditure amount of \$16,500.00.