



## City of Doral Cultural Affairs Advisory Board Minutes

Monday, January 6, 2020

6:00 p.m.

Doral Police Training & Community Center

Community Room

3719 N.W. 97<sup>th</sup> Avenue

Doral, FL 33178

1. **Call to Order**

Meeting was called to order at 6:09 p.m.

2. **Roll Call of Board Members**

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| Carmen Ramos, Chair             | Present |
| Isabel Del Castillo, Vice Chair | Present |
| Mariela Kronen, Secretary       | Present |
| Katty Acon, Board Member        | Absent  |
| Michelle Woodward, Board Member | Absent  |

**Also present were:**

Diana Maldonado, Parks & Recreation Department  
Ruben Consa, Director, Doral Art & Flowers Festival  
Yola Cruz, School of Floral Design

3. **Pledge of Allegiance**

4. **Public Comments**

5. **Approval of Minutes**

Motion to approve the November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2019 meeting minutes made by board member Carmen Ramos and seconded by board member Mariela Kronen. By consensus, motion passes unanimously.

6. **Discussion Items**

a. **Discussion: Ruben Consa – Doral Art Flowers Festival**

Ruben Consa, Director of the Doral Art & Flowers Festival and Yola Cruz of the School of Floral Design, presented their proposal to produce and event in the City of Doral (similar to the one showcased in December 2019), which would include different types

of artistic medium, such as painting, sculpture, dance, etc. Ms. Ramos stated that she attended the flower festival in December and that she wanted to see if a similar event could be incorporated into any of the current City of Doral art and cultural events.

Mr. Consa stated that floral art can be further developed in Doral, precisely because Doral has such a large amount of flower distribution locally. He also mentioned that the City Mayor attended the last event and that the number of artists participating had tripled (including students from local high schools and elementary schools).

During the discussion, Diana Maldonado pointed out that Mr. Consa already has sponsors for these events, which would require consideration and approval from the City of Doral before moving forward. She also suggested making the event part of Doral's Art Walk event, setting up small workshops, etc.

Mr. Consa replied that the month of March would be a better time to produce this type of workshop. He stated that his main focus is on exposure and publicity. Ms. Maldonado stated that he could put together a proposal for consideration. Subject to approval, the city would provide supplies and Mr. Consa's group would provide the teaching, etc. Ms. Ramos suggested other venues that could work for this initiative, such as Art After Dark and the Miami Institute of Fine Arts (MIFA).

Diana Maldonado reiterated that Mr. Consa should submit a proposal with a quote, sample photos, description and price for consideration by the City of Doral.

**b. Discussion: City of Doral Event – Asian Event**

Next topic of discussion was developing an Asian-themed event in Doral. Carmen Ramos stated that Alonso Sun was interested in helping out with that. Diana Maldonado stated that May could be a good month for such event. Carmen Ramos stated that maybe they could do a dance event at Legacy Park. She will follow-up with Alonso Sun accordingly.

**c. Update: Short Film Events**

Mariela Kronen stated that she has not been able to get a response from Doral Academy Preparatory regarding working together to showcase their students' film works in the city's Short Film Festival. She will continue to try and reach out to the school.

**d. Open Discussion**

Diana Maldonado briefly discussed upcoming events, including, Shakespeare in the Park and the Doral 5K run.

**7. Future Meeting Date:**

Monday, March 9, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

**8. Discussion of next agenda items:**

Doral Art & Flowers Festival  
Asian-Themed Event  
Short Films Event

**9. Adjournment:**





Meeting adjourns at 7:04 p.m.\_Motion made by board member Mariela Kronen and seconded by board member Isabel Del Castillo. By consensus, meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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Mariela Kronen, Secretary

Motion to approve the minutes of the January 6 , 2020 Cultural Affairs Advisory Board Meeting made  
by Board Member \_\_\_\_\_ and seconded by Board Member  
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Chair Carmen Ramos  
Vice Chair Isabel Del Castillo  
Secretary Mariela Kronen  
Board Member Katty Acon  
Board Member Michelle Woodward

  
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APPROVED and ADOPTED this 9<sup>th</sup> day of March 2020.

  
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Carmen Ramos, Chair