



Miami-Dade Board of County Commissioners
Office of the Commission Auditor

Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs (PRCA)
Committee Meeting

January 16, 2020
2:00 P.M.
Commission Chambers

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**PRCA Meeting:
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Research Notes**

**Item No. 3A
File No. 192980**

Researcher: JFP Reviewer: TD

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FUNDING OF 28 GRANTS FOR A TOTAL OF \$190,000.00 FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF CULTURAL AFFAIRS FISCAL YEAR 2019-2020 COMMUNITY GRANTS PROGRAM – SECOND QUARTER FOR VARIOUS ENTITIES; WAIVING RESOLUTION NO. R-130-06; AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR’S DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE GRANT AGREEMENTS AND TO EXERCISE ALL PROVISIONS, INCLUDING THE CANCELLATION PROVISIONS, CONTAINED THEREIN

ISSUE/REQUESTED ACTION

Whether the Board should authorize the funding of 28 grants, totaling \$190,000, from the Second Quarter funds of the Department of Cultural Affairs Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Community Grants Program, and allow waiver of R-130-06 so that the proposed resolution may be placed on the commission agenda, even though the grant agreement has yet to be executed by the other parties, in order to expedite the grant process.

PROCEDURAL HISTORY

Prime Sponsor: None

Department/Requester: Department of Cultural Affairs

This item has no procedural history.

ANALYSIS

The purpose of this item is to authorize a total of \$190,000 in grant funding from the Department of Cultural Affairs’ FY 2019-20 Community Grants Program – Second Quarter to the following 28 grantees:

Grantee	District Location(s) of Project Activity	Recommended Award
4Ward Miami, Inc. d/b/a Gay8 Festival	5, 7	\$6,306
AYUDA, Inc. a/f/a Sunflower Society, Inc.	3, 5	\$6,306
Brazilian Voices, Inc.	3	\$6,306
Center for the Advancement of Jewish Education, Inc.	3, 4, 5, 6, 7	\$12,613
Dimensions Variable, Inc.	2	\$5,887
Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Parade and Festivities Committee, Inc.	2, 3	\$8,410
Florida International University Board of Trustees, for the benefit of Miami Beach Urban Studios	5	\$5,046
Florida Shakespeare Theater, Inc.	4, 7, 12	\$6,306
France-Florida Foundation for the Arts, Inc.	3, 5, 7	\$6,306
Girasol Foundation Inc	3, 5	\$6,306
Global Arts Project, Inc.	5	\$6,306
Haitian American Youth Organization, Inc.	11	\$3,751
Illuminarts, Inc. a/f/a Juraj Kojs	7	\$6,306
Kaleidoscope MusArt, Inc.	3, 6, 7	\$6,306
Miami-Dade County Black Affairs Advisory Board	8	\$6,306
Miami International Ballet Competition Inc.	4	\$5,046

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Miami International Jazz Fest, Inc.	5	\$6,306
Miami Shores Village	3	\$6,306
Miami Wind Symphony, Inc.	11	\$6,306
Path: Preserving Archiving & Teaching Hiphop, Inc. a/f/a Spoken Soul Festival	3	\$6,306
Power Access, Inc.	5	\$6,306
Rise Kem Cultural Productions, Inc.	4, 11	\$6,306
Rotary Foundation of South Miami, Inc.	7	\$12,613
St. Patrick's Day Committee, Inc.	7	\$6,306
St. Sophia Greek Orthodox Community	5	\$8,410
The Dance NOW! Ensemble, Inc. a/f/a Miami Dance Hub, Inc.	5	\$6,306
United Jewish Generations, Inc.	4	\$6,306
Village of Pinecrest	8	\$8,410
TOTAL		\$190,000

The Cultural Affairs Council approved the grantees at their November 20, 2019 meeting, based on the November 7, 2019 recommendations of the Community Grants Panel. Each applicant organization was evaluated based on the following criteria:

- 1) quality of the program;
- 2) administrative capability;
- 3) marketing strategy
- 4) fundraising efforts; and
- 5) geographic location of event

A total of \$660,000 was allocated for FY 2019-20 Community Grants in the Fiscal Year 2019-20 County budget ordinance. With the proposed second quarter \$190,000 disbursement, \$285,000 will remain for the subsequent quarters.

The requested waiver of Resolution No. R-130-06, requiring that contracts with non-governmental entities be signed by the other parties before being placed on the commission agenda, intends to expedite the execution of the grant agreements, saving one to two months' time in an already lengthy grant process.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The Community Grants Program

The Community Grants (CG) Program is responsive on a quarterly basis to not-for-profit organizations developing small and large-scale community-based cultural (dance, theater, music, visual arts) programs, as well as projects and events, such as fairs, parades, neighborhood festivals and publications that have a strong artistic component.

The CG panel considers projects with strong community involvement and/or outreach component. The CG Program is particularly sensitive to the needs of indigenous cultural neighborhood activities and projects encouraging the preservation of heritage, traditions and culture, as well as social service organizations and cultural groups developing collaborative intervention projects using the arts.

<http://www.miamidadearts.org/community-grants-cg-program>

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APPLICABLE LEGISLATION/POLICY

Resolution No. R-130-06, adopted January 24, 2006, clarifies that proposed agenda items seeking approval of a contract or conveyance and authority to execute same shall not be placed on any committee or commission agenda unless the underlying contract or conveyance is completely negotiated, in final form, and executed by all non-County parties. The proposed resolution seeks waiver of this provision.

<http://intra/gia/matter.asp?matter=060239&file=false&yearFolder=Y2006>