

C7 Z A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, AUTHORIZING A ONE-TIME GRANT OF \$5,000.00 TO THE CENTER FOR FOLK AND COMMUNITY ART TO SPONSOR ITS ALIVE ON SOUTH BEACH AND IT'S JUST A CONVERSATION PROGRAMMING, WITH MONIES TO BE DRAWN FROM AVAILABLE FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED BY THE CITY TO AID CULTURAL INSTITUTIONS IMPACTED BY THE STATE OF FLORIDA'S REDUCTION IN FUNDING FOR ARTS AND CULTURAL ORGANIZATIONS.

Applicable Area:

# MIAMI BEACH

## COMMISSION MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Commission

FROM: City Attorney Ricardo J. Dopico

DATE: March 19, 2025

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### **RECOMMENDATION**

### **BACKGROUND/HISTORY**

### **ANALYSIS**

The attached Resolution was prepared at the request of the sponsor, Commissioner Laura Dominguez.

### **FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

N/A

### **Does this Ordinance require a Business Impact Estimate?**

(FOR ORDINANCES ONLY)

If applicable, the Business Impact Estimate (BIE) was published on:

See BIE at: <https://www.miamibeachfl.gov/city-hall/city-clerk/meeting-notices/>

### **FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

### **CONCLUSION**

### **Applicable Area**

Citywide

**Is this a “Residents Right to Know” item,  
pursuant to City Code Section 2-17?**

No

**Is this item related to a G.O. Bond  
Project?**

No

**Was this Agenda Item initially requested by a lobbyist which, as defined in Code Sec. 2-481,  
includes a principal engaged in lobbying?** Yes

If so, specify the name of lobbyist(s) and principal(s): Dena Stewart and Stewart Stewart on behalf of the Center for Folk and Community Art

**Department**

City Attorney

**Sponsor(s)**

Commissioner Laura Dominguez

**Co-sponsor(s)**

**Condensed Title**

Approve Grant of \$5,000.00 to Center for Folk and Community Art (Dominguez) CA

**Previous Action (For City Clerk Use Only)**

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

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**WHEREAS**, the Center for Folk and Community Art (CFCA) is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization in operation since 1993; and

**WHEREAS**, CFCA produces two video shows that are worthy of City sponsorship; and

**WHEREAS**, the first, "Alive on South Beach", is an episodic man-on-the-street style video show that takes viewers behind the scenes of the vibrant Miami Beach culture and events, providing an insider's look at the celebrations, celebrities, and locals who make Miami Beach an International tourist destination. To date, the show has reached over three million people through the Syndicated News Network (SNN.bz) and AliveonSouthBeach.com internet platforms; and

**WHEREAS**, the second, "It's Just a Conversation", is a Zoom Conversation video show on which actors, artists, authors and others who have been successful in their respective creative professions talk about their work to inspire others; and

**WHEREAS**, CFCA previously was awarded \$25,000 from the Florida State Department of Cultural Affairs, Arts in Education, for its 2025 programming. However, cultural programming grants were reduced in the State budget. Therefore, sponsorship funding in the amount of \$5,000 by the City of Miami Beach would be invaluable in ensuring that CFCA can continue its work, leverage additional funding from other sources, and further promote the Miami Beach brand on the global stage; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Miami Beach previously allocated funding to assist those Miami Beach cultural institutions impacted by State budget cuts and \$17,848.64 remains available from the total allocated amount for this purpose; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and City Commission desire to award a one-time grant of \$5,000.00 to CFCA to sponsor its Alive on South Beach and It's Just a Conversation programming, with monies to be drawn from available funds previously appropriated by the City to aid cultural institutions impacted by the State of Florida's reduction in funding for arts and cultural organizations .

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT DULY RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA**, that the Mayor and City Commission hereby authorize a one-time grant of \$5,000.00 to the Center for Folk and

Community Art to sponsor its Alive on South Beach and It's Just a Conversation programming, with monies to be drawn from available funds previously appropriated by the City to aid cultural institutions impacted by the State of Florida's reduction in funding for arts and cultural organizations.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2025.

**ATTEST:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Steven Meiner, Mayor

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Rafael E. Granado, City Clerk

(Sponsored by Commissioner Laura Dominguez)

APPROVED AS TO  
FORM & LANGUAGE  
& FOR EXECUTION



City Attorney *RR*

*3/11/2025*  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Date