# CITY COMMISSION



# CITY OF DELRAY BEACH, FLORIDA WORKSHOP MEETING - TUESDAY, MAY 17, 2022 2:30 PM DELRAY BEACH CITY HALL OR WATCH ON YOUTUBE: HTTPS

Mayor Shelly Petrolia Vice Mayor Adam Frankel Deputy Vice Mayor Juli Casale Commissioner Ryan Boylston Commissioner Shirley Ervin Johnson

## Workshop Meeting at 2:30 PM

The Workshop Meeting was called to order at 2:30 p.m.

The roll was taken by Katerri Johnson, City Clerk, and the following were present:

Present 5: Vice Mayor Adam Frankel, Deputy Vice Mayor Juli Casale, Commissioner Ryan Boylston, Commissioner Shirley Ervin Johnson Mayor Shelly Petrolia attended remotely

Others present were:

Terrence Moore, City Manager Lynn Gelin, City Attorney

Commissioner Boylston made a motion to allow Mayor Petrolia to attend the meeting remotely. Deputy Vice Mayor Casale seconded the motion. The motion was carried by the following vote:

**Yes 5:** Mayor Petrolia, Vice Mayor Frankel, Deputy Vice Mayor Casale, Commissioner Boylston, Commissioner Johnson

WS.1. A REQUEST BY BONNIE MISKEL, ESQ., OF DUNAY, MISKEL, BACKMAN, LLP FOR CITY COMMISSION SPONSORSHIP OF A PRIVATELY INITIATED TEXT AMENDMENT TO THE LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS (LDR) TO PERMIT RETAIL EYEGLASS STORES TO INCLUDE ANCILLARY OPTOMETRY SERVICES WITHIN THE REQUIRED RETAIL FRONTAGE AREAS OF THE CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT

Ms. Bonnie Miskel, of Dunay, Miskel, Backman, LLP, gave a presentation for View Optical, a luxury optical boutique, who requested a text amendment to permit optometry services in their

retail location. Currently, our code does not permit optometry in *Retail Frontage Areas*. The request is to amend the code to add *Eyeglass Store* as retail use, with limitations. The Downtown Development Authority (DDA) provided a letter of support and provided their recommendation.

Ms. Anthea Gianniotes, Development Services Director, provided background on the code and answered questions on the matter.

Commissioner Boylston agreed to sponsor a change to the text amendment.

Vice Mayor Frankel recognized two former City Mayors in the audience: Mr. Thomas Lynch and Dr. Jay Alperin.

## WS.2. SUMMER PROGRAM CONSIDERATIONS FOR CORNELL ART MUSEUM

Mr. Moore stated that in response to the direction received from the April 5, 2022, Regular City Commission Meeting, he wanted to address and entertain any ideas offered regarding using the Cornell Art Museum facility because it is ready and available to host activities and events.

Commissioner Johnson suggested allowing the public to speak on both subjects: WS.2. Cornell Art Museum and WS.3. Old School Square Complex at the same time. Commissioner Boylston agreed. There was a consensus with the Commissioners.

### From the Public

<u>Patricia McGuire</u>, residing at 342 NE 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue, stated that the Old School Square Board is the best organization to manage Old School Square and listed three reasons why.

<u>Edward Stinson and Michelle Lawrence</u>, residing at 616 NW 45<sup>th</sup> Drive, and founder of Visual Adjectives, a publishing and production company, stated that they would like to work to build creative tenants at the Old School Square facilities.

<u>Donna Walsh</u>, residing at 3120 NW 15<sup>th</sup> Street, and founder of Plein Air (PAPB) discussed their desire work with Old School Square and to provide programming for the summer at the Cornell Art Museum.

<u>Susan Romaine</u>, residing at 518 Andrews Avenue, stated that she would like to collaborate with the other artists and hopes to have more charrettes.

Vice Mayor Frankel closed public comments.

Commissioner Boylston would like to use the Creative City Collaborative document, which was

used in the past.

Commissioner Johnson thanked those who spoke publicly and was in favor of holding a charrette.

Deputy Vice Mayor Casale was in favor of the CRA overseeing the programming, starting with the Cornell Art Museum and working forward from there.

Vice Mayor Frankel was pleased that the public input was calm and supported holding the charrette, in the hopes of the facility being open full time by season.

Vice Mayor Frankel invited Ms. Renee Jadusingh, CRA Executive Director and Ms. Grace Gdaniec, Arts Warehouse Manager, to the podium to discuss the possibility of Ms. Gdaniec providing assistance by acting as the direct curation person on staff. Ms. Gdaniec introduced herself and gave a brief history of her experience.

Further discussion ensued.

Mr. Moore stated that he will reach out to agencies, staff and members of the artistic community for their input on ideas for the Cornell Art Museum in the coming weeks. Mr. Moore discussed the current calendar of events at Old School Square and stated that it is managed by the Parks and Recreation Department. Mr. Moore will meet with Ms. Jadusingh, the CRA and other staff members on May 31, 2022, to discuss short term opportunities for the Cornell Art Museum.

The Commission gave Mr. Moore direction to move forward with the plans for a short-term plan for the Cornell Art Museum. Mr. Moore will provide an update at the Regular City Commission meeting on June 14, 2022. After this has been completed, the long-term goals will be considered.

### WS.3. ANCILLARY PUBLIC INPUT REGARDING OLD SCHOOL SQUARE COMPLEX

Further discussion ensued regarding the long term goals. Vice Mayor Frankel received a consensus for a charrette regarding Old School Square campus in June, which will include public participation.

Mr. Moore tentatively scheduled the charrette meeting to take place on Thursday, June 23, 2022, at the Field House 6:00 p.m.

There being no further business to discuss, the Workshop Meeting was adjourned at 3:35 p.m.