



**Coconut Grove Business Improvement District Board of Directors Meeting
Friday February 24th, 2023 at 10:00am
Location: B Bistro of Coconut Grove - 2895 McFarlane Road**

Attendees: Alejandra Argudin, Atchana Capellini, Elizabeth Solar, Olaf Kohrsmeyer, Jaime Stuyck, Michael Comras, Cynthia Seymour, Olav Smit, Venusmia Fernandez Lovely, Xavier Alban

Absent: Ellen Buckley (Resigned on 2/9/23), Monty Trainer

Meeting Start Time: 10:03 am

Meeting Adjournment: 10:29 am

Agenda:

1. Approval or denial of the Nominating Committee Recommendations for Upcoming Board of Directors Elections to be held in March/April 2023

- Presentation of the Slate by Alejandra Argudin, MPA - Vice Chair Alejandra Argudin presented the applicants for the 2 Board positions: Business Representative and Property Owner Representative. There was a brief discussion of the review process and the positive points for each candidate.
- The nominating committee shared their recommendation of Jeffrey Pankey for the Business Representative position. The combination of his role as both a property owner and a Marketing Executive bring both points of view to the Board of Directors. The Board members agreed that Mr. Pankey's experience and expertise with the Caribbean tourism industry will be attractive assets to help the BID develop a strategy towards marketing to national and international tourists.

- *Motion to accept Jeff Pankey for slate made by Olaf Kohrsmeyer and seconded by Atchanna Capellini- passed unanimously*

Discussion on the category of business representatives all candidates were mentioned with two candidates to be in the forefront of the list but questions did arise regarding those in person committed to this board. Alex Argudin asks xavi if they are allowed to speak with these candidates. Xavi stated that only before their names were placed on the slate card.

- *Motion to conduct interviews with both Ivan and Raymond before final nomination made by Micheal Comras and seconded by Elizabeth Solar- passed unanimously.*

City Attorney Xavier Alban outlined the process and proposed timeline for the upcoming elections. Interviews and upcoming meetings were set to stay within the guidelines of the process and timeline of election set for 2023.

- *Subject to availability- next board meeting will be held (Mar 14, 2023 or Mar 15, 2023) to interview two (2) prospective finalists for the Property Owner's Representative and workshop to welcome the new Commissioner/ BID Chair.*

Meeting Adjourned