



**Coconut Grove Business Improvement District Board of Directors Meeting**  
**Tuesday July 18th, 2023 at 10:00 am - 1pm**  
**Location: Courtyard Marriott on South Bayshore Drive**

**Start Time:** 10:12am Opened by Commissioner Sabina Covo, Chair  
**Adjournment:** 11:27am Motion by Alex Argudin Vice Chair, Seconded by Jaime Stuyck

Attendees: Commissioner Sabina Covo, Alexandra Argudin, Elizabeth Solar, Jaime Stuyck, Olaf Kohrsmeyer, Xavier Alban, Jeffrey Pankey (BID Staff) Cynthia K. Seymour, Olav Smit, Venusmia Fernandez Lovely, Kristell Hurtado, Sully Silva (Block by Block). Alan Cammpbell, Sue McConnell, MISO, and Three City of Miami Summer Youth Interns.

Absent: Atchana Capellini, Ivan Rapin-Smith, Michael Comras, Monty Trainer

**Agenda:**

Commissioner Covo recognized the summer Interns as well as gave a big Congratulations to the BID staff, BID Board and MISO for a wonderful 4th of July.

1. Motion to approve [Board Meeting Minutes for June 6th, 2023](#) and the [Incoming Board of Directors](#) Orientation Meeting by Alex Argudin and seconded by Jaime Stuyck.
2. All members present were in agreement as to the upcoming meetings and meetings:
  - a. November 2nd, 2023 - **Public Noticed**
    - i. Kickoff of FY 2023-24 and Holiday Updates
  - b. January 12th, 2024 - Approval of the FY 2022-23 Audit & Annual Report
3. Motion to approve budget for FY 2023-2024 as presentation by Alex Argudin and seconded by Olaf Koursmyers.

Olaf Kohrsmeyer asked about the pending fees due to the BID from both the sidewalk cafe and the Sp. Event permits from Peacock Park would affect the budget. Xavier Alban stated that yes it will; the BID can only spend the money that was allocated with the budget approved. If any fund above the budget that comes in there is two options: Set a special meeting prior to the City Commission Budget Hearings on September 9th or move to reserves. The print deadline for the 2023-2024 Budget is Sept 5th 2023. Any material changes would need to be brought to the Board of Directors for approval in late August, prior to the City deadlines.

4. Motion to approve to work with vendors for new bench options on the Capital Improvements: Fuller Street Furnishings that will not exceeded presented budget of \$17,341 by Alex Argudin and seconded by Elizabeth Solar.

Commissioner Covo discussed looking into different options to detour skateboards or others to deface or misuse the new benches.

5. Motion to approve the Capital Improvements: Peacock Park #GroveFIT Exercise Platform Restoration by Alex Argudin and seconded by Jaime Stuyck

The best quote came from the Parks Department; this project budgeted in the current budget ( 2022-2023) but came in over \$2,000 above the Executive Director,'s threshold for approval

6. Presentation of Operations and Streetscapes project by Olav Smit
  - a. Pressure washing project has begun
  - b. Flexipave on Main
  - c. Bonded Rubber Mulch on Grand
  - d. Flexipave & Bonded Rubber Mulch Project in Florida -
    - i. has not been approved
    - ii. Arborists needed to assess the tree roots and surrounding construction needs to be complete before starting the project.
7. Upcoming Special Events & Initiatives - #BlueGrove 2024 & #GroveHeritage Holiday Season - Mark your calendars for September 23rd, #BlueGrove, October 28th for the #GroveHeritage Haunted Halloween and December 2nd for the Grove Heritage Holiday Tree Lighting
8. Marketing and Media Updates: The Grovite Newsletter & Channel 10 News - 4th of July

Meeting Adjournment: 11:27am

Motion to adjourn the meeting - Alejandra Argudin

Seconded by: Jaime Stuyck

Next Meeting will be held on November 2nd, 2023

