

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, ACCEPTING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE FINANCE AND CITYWIDE PROJECTS COMMITTEE TO DELAY THE GRANT FOR THE PURCHASE OF THE OUTDOOR CAFE FURNISHINGS AT THE BASS MUSEUM OF ART, UNTIL DECEMBER, 2018.

WHEREAS, there is a high demand for concessions and outdoor dining options at the Bass Museum and Collins Park, to serve visitors at the museum and promote activation of the Park; and

WHEREAS, on December 16, 2016, the Finance and Citywide Projects Committee recommended that the Administration work with the Friends of the Bass Museum, Inc. (Bass) to identify a solution to provide an outdoor concession, and further recommended that the City negotiate an agreement with the Bass for the outdoor concession area; and

WHEREAS, the Bass issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) in June, 2016, and selected Thierry Catering to operate its new indoor café, which opened in October, 2017 with the re-opening of the Bass Museum following the completion of the Building renovation and expansion project; and

WHEREAS, the Administration has met with the Bass and discussed expanding the new indoor café to the exterior of the building, in order to serve members of the public and further activate Collins Park. The Bass is agreeable to this plan and has engaged in discussions with Thierry Catering to utilize their services for both the indoor café and the outdoor concession area; and

WHEREAS, to facilitate the opening of an outdoor café, the City allocated \$100,000 to the purchase of furniture and fixtures for the Bass Museum Café, as part of the FY 16-17 capital budget; and

WHEREAS, following the re-opening of the Bass in October, 2017, staff circulated a draft grant agreement to the Bass on January 24, 2018, to provide the \$100,000 grant for the purchase of outdoor café furniture; including, tables, chairs, umbrellas and a serving kiosk, and to construct a storage area for said items; and

WHEREAS, on February 1, 2018, the Bass requested that the City not move forward with the grant agreement at this time for the following reasons:

- Thierry's did not generate much business during Art Basel 2017, which they feel represents the best case scenario audience;
- The Bass would like to test numbers, attendance and gross earnings for a full season;
- The Bass proposes to activate the outdoor café area by creating a pilot program that will utilize the existing five tables and twenty chairs, to fully understand the needs of operating an outdoor dining space;
- The required build out cannot happen until the Bass can close out the current city building permit, as related to the renovation project. As well, a Concession Permit cannot be obtained until the building permit is closed; and

WHEREAS, following a full season of operating and launch of the outdoor café pilot program, the Bass would like to come back to the City with the exact cost of the furniture purchase and build out, including a business plan; and

WHEREAS, on February 23, 2018, the Finance and Citywide Projects Committee recommended that the grant for the purchase of the outdoor café furnishings at the Bass Museum of Art be delayed until December, 2018.

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 accept the recommendation of the Finance and Citywide Projects Committee to delay the grant for the purchase of the outdoor café furnishings at the Bass Museum of Art, until December, 2018.

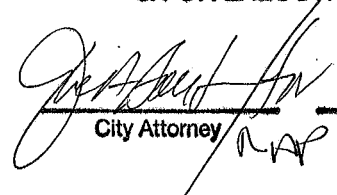
PASSED and ADOPTED this ____ day of _____ 2018.

DAN GELBER, MAYOR

ATTESTED BY:

RAFAEL E. GRANADO, CITY CLERK

**APPROVED AS TO
FORM & LANGUAGE
& FOR EXECUTION**



City Attorney

3/2/18

Date