

RESOLUTION NO. 2014- 19

A RESOLUTION BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA, APPROVING REVISIONS TO THE BY-LAWS OF THE ARTS, CULTURE & HERITAGE FUNDING PANEL.

RECITALS

WHEREAS, the Arts, Culture & Heritage Funding Panel (the Panel) is an advisory committee to the St. Johns County Board of County Commissioners (the Board) charged with evaluating and ranking funding applications in accordance with approved funding guidelines as enumerated by the St. Johns County Tourist Development Council (TDC) in accordance with Section 125.0104, Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS, the TDC has recommended revisions to the Panel's bylaws, including revisions to the Panel's composition, an increase in the number of non-resident members on the Panel, revisions to the process of selecting the Panel's chairman, and revisions to the chairman's voting privileges; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Rule 2.205.E of the Board's Rules and Policies, amendments to an advisory committee's rules must be approved by the Board on its consent agenda; and

WHEREAS, the Board desires to approve the revisions to the Panel's bylaws, as recommended by the TDC.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA:

Section 1. The above recitals are incorporated by reference into the body of this resolution and are adopted as findings of fact.

Section 2. The Board approves the revisions to the Panel's bylaws as set forth in the attached document, the contents of which are incorporated into this resolution.

Section 3. To the extent that there are typographical or administrative errors that do not change the tone, tenor, or concept of this resolution, this resolution may be revised without subsequent Board approval.

Section 4. This resolution shall be effective upon adoption by the Board.

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PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of County Commissioners of St. Johns County, Florida, this 21st day of January, 2014.

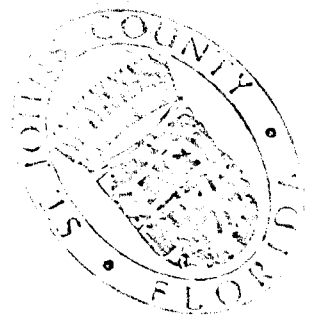
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA

By: _____

John H. Morris, Chairman

ATTEST: Cheryl Strickland, Clerk

By: *Ram Halterman*
Deputy Clerk



RENDITION DATE 1/23/14

BYLAWS

ARTS/CULTURE/HERITAGE FUNDING PANEL

ARTICLE I: MISSION

Utilize Tourist Development Tax funds available for the Arts/Culture/Heritage Funding Program to best achieve Tourist Development Goals of generating incremental overnight visitor stays, generating incremental visitor expenditures within St. Johns County, and advancing the quality of the Arts, Culture, and Heritage industries in St. Johns County as a tourism demand generator.

PURPOSE

The Funding Panel is an advisory committee to the St. Johns County Board of County Commissioners. Its charge is to evaluate and rank funding applications in accordance with the approved funding guidelines as enumerated by the mission and goals established by the Tourist Development Council and in accordance with Chapter 125.0104, Florida Statutes.

ARTICLE II; MEMBERSHIP

A.Members - The Funding Panel will consist of nine (9) members appointed by the Board of County Commissioners consistent with County Commission Rule 2.201.

1. Seven members shall be defined as Regular Members and have full voting privileges; two members shall serve as Alternate Members and will have voting privileges only in the absence of one or more Regular Member.
2. Of the Regular Members, two shall be non-county residents who are professionals with arts, cultural, or heritage organizations or institutions with experience utilizing events as tourism demand generators; five Regular Members shall be residents of St. Johns County with demonstrated interest in tourism/cultural development and promotion. Every reasonable effort shall be made to have all County Commission districts equally represented on the Funding Panel.
3. Of the Alternate Members, one shall be a non-county resident with qualifications as described in paragraph 2 above, and one shall be a St. Johns County resident qualified as described in paragraph 2 above.

B. Terms of Office - SJC resident members shall be appointed for a term of two (2) years and may be appointed for up to three full consecutive terms. The three non-resident members shall serve a one year term and may be reappointed for up to four consecutive terms.

C. Vacancies - Any vacancy in membership shall be filled consistent with Rule 2.202 of the Rules and Policies of the St. Johns County Board of County Commissioners.

D. Removal from Membership- The absence of any member from two regular or special meetings in one year will declare vacant the seat of such member, in which event the vacancy created shall be filled pursuant to Article II A.

ARTICLE III: FACILITATOR

A. The Funding Panel will have a Facilitator.

B. The Facilitator shall be a member of the St. Johns County Cultural Council Board of Directors (Cultural Council) and shall be selected by the Cultural Council.

C. Duties of Facilitator - The Facilitator shall attend all meetings of the Funding Panel and any workshops as deemed necessary. The Facilitator shall serve as a facilitator for the Funding processes to assure fairness and consistency in applying the approved guidelines and procedures during the process. The Facilitator shall not be a member of the Funding Panel and may not vote on any matter that comes before the Funding Panel.

ARTICLE IV: MEETINGS

A. Regular Meetings - The Funding Panel shall meet quarterly. Meetings shall be held in the County Administration Building at 500 San Sebastian View, St. Augustine, Florida.

B. Quorum - A quorum shall be defined as having a majority of the voting members of the Funding Panel in attendance at a meeting.

C. Open Meetings - All meetings of the Funding Panel shall be in accordance with Florida's Sunshine Law provisions and County policies regarding electronic recording of proceedings and preparation of meeting minutes.

D. Meeting Related Travel Expense - Non-resident professional members of the Funding Panel may be reimbursed for reasonable and actual expenses for travel from their home to St. Augustine in accordance with Section 125.0104 Florida Statutes and as approved by the St. Johns County Board of County Commissioners.

E. Other - All other rules of attendance, alternates, and vacancies contained within Section 2.202 of the RULES AND POLICIES of the ST. JOHNS COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS shall apply.