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Meeting Minutes - Final

Cultural Council

Tuesday, August 19, 2025

6:00 PM Commerce City Civic Center - Rm 3109, 7887 E. 60th Ave.,
Commerce City, CO 80022

1. Call To Order/Roll Call

A regular meeting of the Cultural Council was called to order by Chair Martin on August 19, 2025, at 6:08 PM.

A motion was made by Chair Martin, seconded by Membe Sanchez, to excuse those members not present. VOTE: 9 - Aye, - Excused (Mayor Pro Tem Noble, Kelly Reyos, Tyler Vitello, Emily Perez, Carlos Jimenez)

Present 7 - Council Member Kristi Douglas, Board Member Nick Gonzalez, Board Member Omar Lozano, Board Member Jennifer Martin, Board Member Jade Humphries-Graves, Board Member Ronna Sanchez, and Board Member Jackie Riggs-Gonzalez

Excused 4 - Mayor Pro Tem Susan Noble, Board Member Tyler Vitello, Board Member Kelly Reyos, and Board Member Emily Perez

2. Community Time

The board's icebreaker conversation was school lunch memories.

3. Approval of Minutes

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A motion was made by Board Member Jade Humphries-Graves, seconded by Board Member Jackie Riggs-Gonzalez, that this Minutes be approved. VOTE:

Ayes: 7 - Council Member Douglas, Board Member Gonzalez, Board Member Lozano, Board Member Martin, Board Member Humphries-Graves, Board Member Sanchez and Board Member Riggs-Gonzalez

Excused: 5 - Mayor Pro Tem Noble, Board Member Vitello, Board Member Reyos, Board Member Perez and Jimenez

4. Grants & Finance Monthly Update

The board is waiting to receive an update on the SCFD grant application.

The board is projecting that they will be \$10k short for next year's budget due to running out of rollover Covid funds. The board will pursue additional grants and requesting additional funds from the city for Music in the Park. Grants will be managed by the city moving forward.

a. SCFD grant brainstorming

Board encouraged to think ahead to 2027 projects to discuss during retreat.

5. Subcommittee Reports

a. Music in the Park Debrief

Board debriefed the Music in the Park series, and brainstormed other ways to engage their audience.

b. Public Art & Art Exhibitions

i. Install Updates & Celebrations

Projected installs:

CALU Park: late October through November depending on weather

Cocklebur: late September/early October

Eagle Pointe: September

Wood carving: unknown

Celebrations to be planned in subcommittees in collaboration with the city.

ii. Master Plan Updates

Subcommittee is working on revising the public art master plan, and will continue to share with the full board in the months ahead.

c. Community Engagement & Partnerships

i. Hispanic Heritage - Council participation

Board expressed excitement for the booked entertainment. Board requested to also sponsor the piñata activity at the event with the funds already provided.

Cultural Council discussed their tabling items at the event.

ii. Car Show at Fall Fest - Council participation

Board shared that Adams City homecoming is on the same day as Fall Fest.

A motion was made by Board Member Ronna Sanchez, seconded by Board Member Jade Humphries-Graves, to cancel the car show at Fall Fest due to the conflict with Adams City homecoming. VOTE:

Ayes: 7 - Council Member Douglas, Board Member Gonzalez, Board Member Lozano, Board Member Martin, Board Member Humphries-Graves, Board Member Sanchez and Board Member Riggs-Gonzalez

Excused: 5 - Mayor Pro Tem Noble, Board Member Vitello, Board Member Reyos, Board Member Perez and Jimenez

6. Other Business

Staff shared information about the Youth Town Hall on October 18. Members expressed an interest in participating.

Board discussed Cultural Council and city financial accounts as it pertains to Ronna's departure in 2026.

a. October retreat date

Board tentatively set the retreat date as October 25 from 9am-1pm pending Tyler, Carlos, and Emily's availability.

A motion was made by Board Member Ronna Sanchez, seconded by Board Member Jade Humphries-Graves, to cancel the regular October meeting. VOTE:

Ayes: 7 - Council Member Douglas, Board Member Gonzalez, Board Member Lozano, Board Member Martin, Board Member Humphries-Graves, Board Member Sanchez and Board Member Riggs-Gonzalez

Excused: 5 - Mayor Pro Tem Noble, Board Member Vitello, Board Member Reyos, Board Member Perez and Jimenez

b. Vice Chair & Treasurer Upcoming Elections

Voting will happen at retreat, and nominations will be gathered beforehand by staff.

7. Adjourn

The next meeting is scheduled for September 16. The meeting adjourned at 8:09 PM.

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****Subcommittee Meetings will take place immediately following the meeting.****

Subcommittee meetings did not take place due to lack of time.