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Meeting Minutes - Final

Cultural Council

Tuesday, May 20, 2025

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

1. Call To Order/Roll Call

Meeting called to order at 6:14pm.

Present: Jen Martin, Jackie Riggs-Gonzales, Nick Gonzales, Augusta Jonhart, Tyler Vitello, Deana Hall, Emily Perez

Absent: Mayor Pro Tem, Ronna Sanchez, Kelly Reyos, Omar Lozano, Jade Humphries-Graves, Carlos Jimenez

2. Presentation: Eric Darst for Belle Creek Neighborhood Public Art

*Moved to after Music in the Park updates, since presenter was running behind.
Eric Darst presented.*

3. Community Time

Everyone gave their "weather report" on how they are doing.

4. Approval of Minutes

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April Meeting Minutes

Tyler moved to approve the April meeting minutes. Jackie seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

5. Grants & Finance Monthly Update

Overview sent from Ronna and presented by staff. Questions arose about the carryover from Covid and how it is being used.

6. Subcommittee Reports

a. Music in the Park

Eagle Pointe new art reception to be combined with first Music in the Park. Welcome artists on stage and encourage people to go inside to check it out. Small unveiling inside the Rec Center at 6pm with artists and their families prior to the concert. Staff reviewed tabling materials including flyers, monitor, and artist database.

i. Volunteer/Board Attendance

*June 12 - Tyler, Emily, Augusta able to volunteer. Jen will attend.
June 26 - Jackie & Nick and Deana able to volunteer. Jen will attend.
Volunteers should arrive around 6pm.*

ii. Finalizing Fan Art

Signage/labels will be made with prompts

b. Public Art & Art Exhibitions

*Augusta left.
Tyler moved to approve \$600 to go towards carvers for the wood carvings at Belle Creek (Eric Darst). Jackie seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.*

i. Cocklebur & CALU Park Recommendations

*Tyler moved to approve Rob Bell's design for the Cocklebur project. Jen seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.
Tyler moved to approve Marco Garcia's design for the CALU Park project. Nick seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.
City Council will review our recommendations on June 16. Jen is available to present.*

c. Community Engagement & Partnerships

Kristi Douglas arrived.

i. Juneteenth Spades tournament facilitation

Tyler, Augusta, Jackie & Nick, and Emily are available to attend and share facilitation duties. More information will be shared with that group by staff.

ii. Other City Events & Involvement

*Hispanic Heritage (Omar is interested), Car show at Fall Fest (Kelly is interested).
Staff will connect with planning groups to start looking ahead and planning.*

7. New Business

*Deana isn't listed on the website.
Deana moved to cancel the June meeting, and meet virtually in July. Tyler seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.
Jen encouraged everyone to look at their October calendars and let staff know of any conflicts for our Saturday planning retreat. We will decide a date at the July meeting.
Kristi shared that the Youth Commission is holding a town hall July 12 from 11am-2pm and are inviting Boards & Commissions.*

8. Adjourn

Meeting was adjourned at 7:58pm.

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

Subcommittees didn't meet since the meeting went the full time.