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Meeting Minutes - Draft

Cultural Council

Tuesday, July 15, 2025 6:00 PM Zoom:
https://c3gov.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_21FJgkR1TQSUh7
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1. Call To Order/Roll Call

Meeting called to order at 6:05pm.

Present: Councilmember Kristi Douglas, Jen Martin, Ronna Sanchez, Jackie Riggs-Gonzales, Nick Gonzales, Augusta Jonhart, Tyler Vitello, Jade Humphries, Deana Hall, Emily Perez, Carlos Jimenez Absent: Mayor Pro Tem Noble, Kelly Reyos, Omar Lozano

2. Community Time

Group shared what they were looking forward to.

3. Approval of Minutes

Min 25-137 May Meeting Minutes

Tyler moved to approve the May meeting minutes. Jade seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

4. Grants & Finance Monthly Update

Ronna provided the account balance.

a. Covid overage & Reception budgets

The group discussed the long-term vitality of Covid rollover funds, and how it is a hindrance when applying for grants. The group brainstormed solutions on how they could receive more funds long-term to sustain how they have been using the rollover money. Ideas included fundraising efforts, grant writing returning to the city, and asking the city to contribute more money towards Music in the Park.

5. Subcommittee Reports

a. Music in the Park

Group discussed successes and opportunities from the concert series thus far. Suggestions included choosing well known bands as a headliner, and adding a more local opener or other entertainer, having a mascot, more enticing swag, enhanced marketing efforts, and adding more events if budget allows.

i. Council attendance for 7/24

Jade, Emily, Tyler, Jackie & Nick, Kristi, and Augusta will all be at the final Music in the Park

b. Public Art & Art Exhibitions

i. Cocklebur & CALU Park Updates

Approval will go to City Council 7/21. Kristi asked the group if they would like it taken off the consent agenda, and the group felt indifferent.

ii. Belle Creek Update

This project is still in the beginning phases. Staff will continue to provide updates.

iii. Eagle Pointe Update

Contract will be reviewed by Sand Creek board on 7/17 and installation will happen once contract is finalized. Staff will notify subcommittee to start planning reception once we have more information.

c. Community Engagement & Partnerships

i. Hispanic Heritage

Cultural Council invited into planning conversations to help plan the entertainment.

Omar has been in the loop, but group will let staff know if they are interested in joining as well.

ii. Car show at Fall Fest

Group discussed the upcoming car show sponsored by Cultural Council at Fall Fest. Planning details were discussed, including the flyer promotion, registration process, prizes and prize budget, categories, and more. Staff will continue to work with the subcommittee on execution.

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6. New Business

a. October retreat date

Group narrowed the retreat date down to October 18 from 9am-1pm. Group was instructed to let staff know of any conflicts and to hold the date. We will officially vote on this retreat date at the next meeting.

7. Adjourn

Meeting was adjourned at 8:13pm.

Subcommittee meetings will take place immediately following the meeting.

Subcommittee meetings did not take place due to the meeting taking the full allotted time.

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