



# Commerce City

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## Meeting Minutes - Draft

### Cultural Council

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Tuesday, August 19, 2025

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

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#### 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, Council 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** 5 - Mayor Pro Tem Susan Noble, Board Member Tyler Vitello, Board Member Kelly Reyos, Board Member Emily Perez, and Carlos Jimenez

#### 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, Council 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 pinata 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, Council 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, Council 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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*Melissa Sumner, Community & Cultural Liaison*

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

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