



*City of Bristol
Arts & Culture Commission*

INFORMATION TO ACCESS MEETING

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Ladies and Gentlemen:

The regular meeting was held on Wednesday, May 7, 2025, at 6:00 PM in Meeting Room 1-3 in City Hall, 111 North Main Street, Bristol, CT 06010.

1. Call to Order

Vice Chair Adams called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

a. Attendance

Members Present:

Walter Lewandoski, Chair
Andrea Adams, Vice Chair
Julie Crist, Commissioner
Maria Salice, Commissioner
Nigel Wynter, Commissioner
E. Brad Yancy, Commissioner
Arianna Therriault, Arts and Culture
Supervisor

Absent:

Juliet Norton, Commissioner
Sarah Larson, Deputy Superintendent
Dr. Joshua Medeiros, Superintendent

2. Approval of Minutes

a. Approval of Minutes - April 2, 2025, Regular Meeting Minutes

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Wynter to Approve the April 2, 2025, Regular Meeting Minutes.

Seconded by Commissioner Yancy; all in favor; motion carried.

3. Public Participation

Debbie Williams, Co-Founder of the Able Table, presented the addition of an Able Table in one of the city's parks. Able Tables are picnic tables designed for accessibility and inclusion. The

cost of the Able Table would be \$5,000.00, start to finish, with a possibility of having a local artist decorate the top; discussion followed.

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Salice to Move forward with the Able Table
Seconded by Commissioner Carensa-Crist; discussion followed.

MOTION: Made by Vice Chair Adams to oppose moving forward with the Able Table.
All in favor; motion carried.

4. Arts and Culture Supervisor's Report

a. Supervisor's Report

Arts and Culture Supervisor Arianna Therriault presented the Supervisor's Report. Supervisor Therriault announced that Downtown Live at the Rockwell Theater was voted the runner-up for Best Small Music Venue by the Best of Connecticut; discussion followed.

b. Project Updates

Arts and Culture Supervisor Arianna Therriault presented the Project Updates; discussion followed.

c. Year to Date Financials

Arts and Culture Supervisor Arianna Therriault presented the Year to Date Financials; discussion followed.

5. Chairman's Report

a. Bristol's Cultural District Art Map - Rough Draft

Chair Walter Lewandoski presented the Rough Draft of the Bristol Cultural District Art Map; discussion followed.

6. Old Business

a. Cultural District Walk Through Itinerary

Arts and Culture Supervisor Arianna Therriault presented the Cultural District Walk itinerary. The walk will be held on May 13, 2025; discussion followed.

b. By Commissioners

None.

7. New Business

a. Halloween Spooktacular/ NexGen Car Show Trunk or Treat

<https://www.nexgencarshows.com/product/nexgen-general-car-show-ticket-25-10-2025/>

Arts and Culture Supervisor Arianna Therriault presented the Halloween Spooktacular/ NexGen Car Show Trunk or Treat option to the commission; discussion followed.

b. Budget Goals for Fiscal Year 2025 - 2026

Arts and Culture Supervisor Arianna Therriault presented the Budget Goals for Fiscal Year 2025-2026; discussion followed.

c. By Commissioners

None.

8. Reports and Committee Reports

a. City Council Liaison Report

City Council Liaison Cheryl Thibeault presented the City Council Liaison Report; discussion followed.

9. Adjournment

MOTION: Made by Vice Chair Adams to adjourn at 8:11 p.m.
Seconded by Commissioner Wynter; all in favor; motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,
Amaris Estrada
Recording Secretary
City Arts and Culture Commission