



*City of Bristol
Arts & Culture Commission*

INFORMATION TO ACCESS MEETING

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Ladies and Gentlemen:

The regular meeting was held on Wednesday, July 2, 2025, at 6:00 PM in Meeting Room 1-3 in City Hall, 111 North Main Street, Bristol, CT 06010.

1. Call to Order

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

a. Pledge of Allegiance

b. Attendance

Members Present:

Chair Walter Lewandoski
Commissioner Juliet Norton
Commissioner Maria Salice
Commissioner Nigel Wynter
City Council Liaison Cheryl Thibault
Arts and Culture Supervisor Arianna
Therriault

Absent:

Commissioner Julie Crist
Commissioner E.Brad Yancy

2. Approval of Minutes

a. Approval of Minutes - June 4, 2025, Regular Meeting Minutes

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Norton to Approve the June 4, 2025, Regular Meeting Minutes.

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

3. Public Participation

Sandra Kamens, member of the Diversity Council of Bristol, came to express her interest in working with the City Arts and Culture Commission at tabling for events. She also expressed and interest in bringing back the Cash Mob event and asked the Commission if they would be interested; discussion followed.

4. Arts and Culture Supervisor's Report

a. Supervisor's Report

Arts and Culture Supervisor Arianna Therriault presented the Supervisor's Report; 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

Chair Lewandoski provided the Commission with updates on the traffic boxes that are no longer decorated and asked the commission if they were interested in having them repainted; discussion followed.

6. Old Business

a. Interest in Volunteering for the NexGen Car Show/Continue the Coffin Race as a fundraiser for Commission

Arts and Culture Supervisor Arianna Therriault asked the commission if anyone was interested in volunteering for the Coffin Race for the NexGen Car Show and Trunk or Treat; discussion followed.

MOTION: Made by Chair Lewandoski for the Commission to Facilitate and Organize the Coffin Race during the NexGen Car Show and Trunk or Treat on October 25, 2025. Seconded by Commissioner Salice; all in favor; motion carried.

b. Approval of \$2,000.00 Grant for the Tree Trunk Bench Carving

Arts and Culture Supervisor Arianna Therriault presented the Tree Bench Carving Grant; discussion followed.

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Salice to not sponsor the Tree Bench Carving in Fiscal

Year 2026.

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

c. Heart Sculpture Update

Chair Lewandoski presented the Heart Sculpture Update; discussion followed.

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Norton to have Christopher Concrete Services LLC to complete the concrete pouring for the Heart Sculpture.

Seconded by Chair Lewandoski; all in favor; motion carried.

d. Art District Map Update

Chair Lewandoski presented the Art District Map Update; discussion followed.

e. By Commissioners

Andrea Adams asked the commission if they were interested in a booth space at the Mum Festival. She asked them to respond by August 1, 2025, if they were interested; discussion followed.

7. New Business

a. By Commissioners

None.

8. Reports and Committee Reports

a. City Council Liaison Report

City Council Liaison Cheryl Thibeault presented the City Council Liaison Report including updates on the old Nuchies building, the farmers market and the previous Bristol Press building; discussion followed.

9. Adjournment

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Salice to adjourn at 7:36 p.m.

Seconded by Chair Lewandoski; all in favor; motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,
Amaris Estrada

Recording Secretary
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