



MINUTES
CULTURAL COMMISSION - REGULAR SESSION
THURSDAY, MAY 9, 2024, 8:00 AM

The Cultural Commission convened in regular session at 8:00 AM, May 9, 2024. Chair Faisal Rashid called the meeting to order.

Roll Call

Attendee Name	Title	Status
Faisal Rashid	Commission Chair	Present
Angelique Racki	Commissioner	Present
Cindy Termuende	Commissioner	Present
Jeffrey Pitzer	Commissioner	Present
Dallas Long	Commissioner	Present
Peter Pontius	Commissioner	Present
Shweta Shukla	Commissioner	Absent
Katherine Browne	Commissioner	Present
Crystal Bricker	Commissioner	Present

Staff Present: Anthony Nelson, Director of Arts and Entertainment; Shannon Ramirez, Support Staff of Arts and Entertainment.

Public Comment

No public comment was received.

Consent Agenda

Items listed on the Consent Agenda are approved with one motion; Items pulled from the Consent Agenda for discussion are listed and voted on separately.

Item 4.A. Consideration and Action to Approve the Minutes of the April 12, 2024, Special Cultural Commission Meeting.

Commissioner Pontius made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Browne, to approve the consent agenda as presented.

Chair Rashid directed the clerk to call roll:

AYES: Pitzer; Racki; Termuende; Long; Bricker

Motion carried.

Regular Agenda

The following item was presented:

Item 5.A. Discussion on 2024 Bloomington Center for Performing Arts upcoming shows and updates.

Director of Arts and Entertainment, Anthony Nelson, stated First Friday's Lawn Concert Series which starts in June and ends in September would coincide with the Downtown First Friday's. Nelson further explained there would be free entry for those who provided a receipt from that evenings downtown dinning and or shopping. Nelson also mentioned the next season, which consists of 24 shows would be announced to the public late June.

The following item was presented:

Item 5.B. Discussion on 2024 Grossinger Motors Arena upcoming shows and updates. Anthony Nelson, director of Arts and Entertainment announced the Bison professional hockey team's first game has been scheduled for early October of 2024. In addition, Nelson expressed excitement for the Grossinger Motors Arena's partnership with Pepper Entertainment in which the band Dropkick Murphys has confirmed their performance for October 24th.

The following item was presented:

Item 5.C. Discussion for planning and creating subcommittees volunteers for the 2024 Juneteenth and Cultural Fest.

The search for a Juneteenth guest speaker and talent has been ongoing. The festivities would take place on June 22, 2024, at the City of Bloomington's Miller Park. The Cultural Fest date has been secured for August 10, 2024.

New Business

Commissioners Faisal Rashid and Katherine Browne plan to collaborate and seek a state grant ranging from \$2,000 to \$4,000. The funds could assist with future festivals that would potentially have an emphasis on cultural diversity.

Adjournment

Commissioner Pontius made a motion, seconded by Commission Chair Rashid, to adjourn.

Chair Rashid directed the clerk to call roll:

AYES: Racki; Termuende; Pitzer; Long; Bricker, Browne,

Motion carried.

The Meeting Adjourned at 8:30 A.M.

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Faisal Rashid, Chair



Anthony Nelson, Staff Liaison