



MINUTES
CULTURAL COMMISSION - REGULAR SESSION
THURSDAY, JULY 10, 2025, 7:30 AM

The Cultural Commission convened in regular session at 7:30 AM, July 10, 2025. Chair Faisal Rashid called the meeting to order.

Roll Call

Attendee Name	Title	Status
Amber Collins	Commissioner	Present
Crystal Bricker	Commissioner	Present
Shweta Shukla	Commissioner	Present
Peter Pontius	Commissioner	Present
Faisal Rashid	Commission Chair	Present
Angelique Racki	Commissioner	Present
Katherine Browne	Commissioner	Absent
Dallas Long	Commissioner	Absent

Arts and Entertainment Staff Present: Director, Anthony Nelson; Development Manager, Kathy Sawyer.

Public Comment

No public comment.

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 May 8, 2025, and June 12, 2025, Regular Cultural Commission Meeting.

Commissioner Pontius made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Collins, to approve the item as presented

Chair Rashid directed the clerk to call roll:

AYES: Rashid; Racki; Shukla; Pontius; Bricker; Collins

Motion carried.

Regular Agenda

The following item was presented:

Item 5.A. Discussion on 2025 Bloomington Center for Performing Arts upcoming shows and updates.

Director, Anthony Nelson highlighted Walker Montgomery as the First Friday headliner July 11, Gabby Barrett July 18, Straight No Chaser July 20, and Bachman-Turner Overdrive July 28.

The following item was presented:

Item 5.B. Discussion on 2025 Grossinger Motors Arena upcoming shows and updates.

Director, Anthony Nelson highlighted that the ribbon boards have been taken out in the Arena; new ones will be installed by August 7. Before that, there will be an MMA event August 2. The ice will be back in place in September. The first Bison game of the season will be Oct. 18.

The following item was presented:

Item 5.C. Discussion on 2025 Cultural Commission events. Finalize Art and Health Day items.

The major topic of discussion was the Arts & Health Day to be held on Saturday, July 19 9am-noon. Kathy Sawyer and Arts & Entertainment staff will be there to help set up. We will add 4-5 tables to accommodate organizations who show up the day of the event without previously letting us know. We will start setting up on Saturday morning about 7:30. We will be circulating a flyer and press release early next week to our email list of 49,000 and local press contacts. Nelson will contact ConnectTransit for passes to distribute at the City's table at the event. Kathy Sawyer will create a Word document listing all the participants that we already know of to have available that morning. We will have a press release, Facebook event link, and flyer to share with participating organizations to encourage their contacts to attend.

New Business

Adjournment

Commissioner Pontius made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Shukla, to adjourn the meeting.

Chair Rashid directed the clerk to call roll:

AYES: Rashid; Racki; Shukla; Pontius; Bricker; Collins

Motion carried.

The Meeting Adjourned at 8:07 A.M.

CITY OF BLOOMINGTON



Faisal Rashid, Chair



Anthony Nelson, Staff Liaison

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