



Milwaukee County

Meeting Minutes Cultural, Artistic & Musical Programming Advisory Council

Chairperson: VACANT

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Advisory Council Coordinator: Kelsey A. Evans

Departmental Resource Contact: James "Jim" Tarantino

Thursday, October 2, 2025

4:00 PM

Milwaukee County Parks Administration
9480 West Watertown Plank Road
Room 207
Wauwatosa, Wisconsin 53226

In-Person Meeting

This meeting was held in Room 207 of the Parks Administration Building.

Call To Order

Roll Call at 4:21 p.m.

Present: 4 - Carter, Vernon, Arellano, and Hren

Absent: 4 - Tovar, Voss, Leigh, and Boynes

Upon convening at 4:21 p.m., the roll was taken, and four members were present. Without quorum, all items on today's agenda were discussed by the Advisory Council, but no votes were taken.

Items 1 and 2 were considered together.

CULTURAL, ARTISTIC, AND MUSICAL PROGRAMMING ADVISORY COUNCIL - 4

- 1 [HRA25-179](#) Discussion of a Future Election of a Chairperson of the Cultural, Artistic, and Musical Programming Advisory Council.
(INFORMATION ONLY)

APPEARANCES:

James "Jim" Tarantino, Deputy Director, Department of Parks, Recreation, and Culture

Kelsey A. Evans, Committee Coordinator, Legislative Services, Office of the County Clerk

Sandra "Sandy" Saltzstein, Research and Policy Analyst, Research Services, Office of the Comptroller

Celia Benton, Director, Economic Development, Department of Administrative Services

Items 1 and 2 were considered together.

The Verbal Informational Reports associated with Items 1 and 2 were
DISCUSSED WITH NO ACTION TAKEN.

- 2 [HRA25-180](#) Discussion Regarding the Current Membership of the Cultural, Artistic, and Musical Programming Advisory Council, including Term Length and Expiration Dates.
(INFORMATION ONLY)

APPEARANCES:

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Items 1 and 2 were considered together.

The Verbal Informational Reports associated with Items 1 and 2 were
DISCUSSED WITH NO ACTION TAKEN.

Items 3, 4, and 5 were considered together.

- 3** [HRA25-181](#) Discussion Regarding the Historic Distribution of the Cultural, Artistic, and Musical Programming Funding Awards, and Changes Authorized to the Distribution Formula within the Past 5 Years.
(INFORMATION ONLY)

Attachments: [HRA25-181 COUNTY BOARD RESOLUTION \(2021\)](#)
 [HRA25-181 CAMPAC FORMULA TRANSITION \(2021\)](#)
 [HRA25-181 POWERPOINT \(10/02/25\)](#)

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Items 3, 4, and 5 were considered together.

Mr. Tarantino distributed a document to Committee members, which is attached to this file as "HRA25-181 POWERPOINT (10/02/25)."

The Informational Report associated with Item 3, the Action Report associated with Item 4, and the Reference File associated with Item 5 were DISCUSSED WITH NO ACTION TAKEN.

- 4 [HRA25-182](#) Discussion Regarding Input provided by the Committee on Parks and Culture to the Cultural, Artistic, and Musical Programming Advisory Council Concerning the 2025 Allocations and Funding Distribution Formula. **(ACTION ITEM)**

Attachments: [HRA25-182 PARKS AND CULTURE MINUTES \(09/02/25\)](#)
 [HRA25-182 PARKS AND CULTURE MEETING VIDEO \(09/02/25\)](#)
 [HRA25-182 ENGROSSED COUNTY BOARD RESOLUTION \(09/18/25\)](#)
 [HRA25-181 POWERPOINT \(10/02/25\)](#)

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Items 3, 4, and 5 were considered together.

The Informational Report associated with Item 3, the Action Report associated with Item 4, and the Reference File associated with Item 5 were DISCUSSED WITH NO ACTION TAKEN.

E-COMMENTS - 1

- 5 [25-59](#) eComments submitted to the Cultural, Artistic, and Musical Programming Advisory Council via the County Legislative Information Center (CLIC).

*The Office of the County Clerk collects eComments submitted via CLIC, and appends these official public records to Reference File No. 25-59 at the conclusion of each meeting.

Attachments: [25-59 eComments \(10/02/25\)](#)

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Items 3, 4, and 5 were considered together.

The October 2, 2025, record of eComments is attached to this file as "25-59 eComments (10/02/25)."

The Informational Report associated with Item 3, the Action Report associated with Item 4, and the Reference File associated with Item 5 were DISCUSSED WITH NO ACTION TAKEN.

Length of Meeting: 4:21 p.m. to 5:27 p.m.

Adjourned,

Kelsey A. Evans

Committee Coordinator

Legislative Services, Office of the County Clerk

Cultural, Artistic, and Musical Programming Advisory Council

Deadline for Next Meeting:

The Cultural, Artistic, and Musical Programming Advisory Council meets at the Call of the Advisory Council Vice-Chairwoman.

The next meeting date is to be determined.