

**CULTURAL COUNCIL of VOLUSIA COUNTY
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**



July 23, 2021

MEETING TIME & PLACE:

9:00 a.m.

County Council Chambers

DeLand, FL

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Lloyd Bowers

Mike Fincher

Tariq Gibran

Tom Laputka

Dr. Andrei Ludu

Nancy Maddox, Chair

George Pappas, Vice Chair

MEMBERS ABSENT

NONE

STAFF:

Robert Redd Cultural Coordinator

Rebecca Rau, Administrative Coordinator II

Andrea Kerr, Assistant County Attorney

Sebrina Slack, Assistant County Attorney

GUESTS: Members from applying organizations attended the meeting. Sign in sheets on file.

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL: Ms. Maddox called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Roll call was taken. Introductions were made. Mr. Redd outlined the procedures for the meeting: each organization to have three minutes to provide updates to Council, Ms. Maddox will call for questions/comments from Council in a rotation order, Ms. Maddox will call for scoring. Staff will call Council in a rotation order to voice their scores. Scores are dual recorded both on paper and on an excel spreadsheet visible to the audience and Council. The high and low score are discarded. The remaining five scores are then averaged. A score of 80 is required to be eligible for funding.

Break periods are at the time and discretion of Ms. Maddox, Chair.

Grant Review: Organizations were required to have an in-person representative attend the scoring. The Cultural Council heard from each grant applicant in alphabetical order regarding updates since their applications were submitted. Each applicant had the opportunity to answer questions posed by council members about their applications. At the conclusion of each applicant's review, the council members read aloud their scores, which were recorded by staff on the 2021-2022 Community Cultural Grant Scoresheet form. This form is attached and hereby incorporated into these minutes.

Notations from the review:

Thirty organizations applied for funding. There were no new applicants. Organizations not applying this year but that did apply

last year include DeLand Fall Festival and Iranian American Society of Daytona Beach.

Scoring moved along at a quick pace and a break was called in order to allow the last representatives to arrive. Cultural Council members noted that in future years organizations should make every effort to arrive in a timely manner.

As in past years, Cultural Council members were provided the opportunity to review the public score sheet. After review, members were asked for comment or corrections. With none noted Ms. Maddox asked for a motion to accept scores **Motion to accept scores:** Mr. Pappas **Second:** Mr. Bowers Motion passed unanimously.

MEMBER/STAFF ITEMS: Ms. Maddox thanked the organizations for all they do for their communities, thanked Cultural Council members for their work, and thanked staff for their efforts.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION / ANNOUNCEMENTS: none

NEXT MEETING: The next CCVC meeting will take place on Friday, September 24, 2021, 9 a.m. at County Council Chambers in DeLand.

ADJOURNMENT: With no further business before the Council, Ms. Maddox called to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted on September 24, 2021 by Robert Redd,
Cultural Coordinator, County of Volusia.