

# Cultural Commission Purpose and Key Functions

## Reorganization Plan

Arts Council, Historic Preservation Commission and Beautification Commission combine into new Cultural Commission.



*\*Cultural Commission will serve as the  
Historic Preservation Commission.  
(Statutory requirement.)*

### **Cultural Commission Purpose Statement**

The Cultural Commission elevates the public realm by advising the City Council on recommendations regarding arts and cultural programming, community aesthetics, and historic preservation issues relevant to citizens and visitors.

### **Key Functions Summary**

- To advise on and support the implementation of artistic, cultural, and historic initiatives coordinated through the relevant City departments, commissions or entities.
- Work with other departments and entities to encourage the incorporation of artistic, cultural, historic, tourism and beautification efforts into the City's overall design, function and economic development when possible.
- Make recommendations to City Council and Administration on ways to increase public awareness of our cultural and historical resources that make our City unique.
- Serve as the City's Historic Preservation Commission for the purpose of maintaining the City's status as a Certified Local Government with the State Historic Preservation Office.
- Advise on public art initiatives and policies (collections, monuments, gateways, etc.).

### **Membership**

- Nine (9) but no more than fifteen (15) members.
- Three (3) year terms commencing from the date of appointment.
- Members should demonstrate understanding of history, humanities, fine art, performing art, public art, natural resources, or cultural resources.
- At least five members shall have a demonstrated interest, competence, or knowledge in historic preservation. (Historic Preservation Commission continuation).