

CULTURAL COMMISSION UPDATE PRESENTATION APRIL 23, 2024



Priority Setting Overview

- The City engaged MARC to facilitate priority setting for the Wellness Commission and Cultural Commission.
- Half-day workshops involved context, forecasting, networking and setting priorities.
- Initial priorities + three-year work plan
- Open an ongoing dialogue with the city council as the commission begins to work and refine the plan.



CULTURAL COMMISSION: STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

CHAIR: DAVE EAMES

INTRODUCTION TO THE COMMISSION

Artist | Local History | Preservation | Community Involved | Positive | Attorney | Passion Motivation | Beautification | Give Back | Connect Sustainability | Contributor | Family | Conservation Professor | Lifelong Resident | Historical Buildings

KEY THEMES FROM THE WORKSHOP

- **1**. Broad notion of "cultural".
- 2. Preserving the cultural environment reaches beyond beautification.
- 3. Relationship building and input gathering are fundamental.



STRATEGY WORKSHOP PRIORITIES 2024-2026

- 1. Conduct a needs assessment of current cultural assets and amenities.
- 2. Identify necessary policies and guiding documents to support the City's implementation of a robust culture program.
- 3. Build a relationship with local and regional cultural partners.
- 4. Learn and document the lesser-known and unique aspects of Lee's Summit history.
- 5. Incorporate sustainability and environmental preservation into community beautification.

Conduct a needs assessment of Lee's Summit's current cultural assets and amenities.

- Cultural Asset Mapping: A community engagement process.
- The Commission will understand the people, places and resources that make up our cultural ecosystem (and what's missing).
- Foundation for future Commission work.



Identify necessary policies and guiding documents to support the City's implementation of a robust cultural program.



- Work with staff to understand current arts and cultural policies and plans.
- Create a prioritized list of necessary policies and documents.
 - Examples:
 - Public Art Policy
 - Cultural Master Plan

Build a relationship with local and regional cultural partners.

- Develop a strategy to connect with and support our local cultural partners.
- Develop relationships with regional partners.



Learn and document the lesser-known and unique aspects of Lee's Summit history.



 Connect with Lee's Summit Historical Society and local history partners

Incorporate sustainability and environmental preservation into community beautification.

 Define what beautification, sustainability and environmental preservation mean in the context of the City's arts and culture ecosystem.



THANK YOU