



The Blocks Arts District

Cultural Core Budget Committee Meeting
Tuesday, May 6, 2025 @ 9:00am - 10:30am

Location:

Downtown Alliance Office
201 S Main Street, #2300 Salt Lake City UT 84111

If needed: [Zoom Link](#)

Cultural Core Budget Committee

Spencer Lawson - Salt Lake City Representative, Chair
Kathryn Carlisle-Kesling - Salt Lake City Representative, Vice Chair
Isaac Gonzalez - Salt Lake County Representative
Claudia Loayza - Salt Lake County Representative
Seth Brown - Salt Lake City Representative
Mohan Sudabattula - Guest - Future Salt Lake County Representative
Felicia Baca - Salt Lake City Representative, Cultural Core Contract Manager
Matt Castillo - Salt Lake County Representative, Cultural Core Contract Manager

Meeting Host:

Britney Helmers - Program Director for The Blocks
Spencer Lawson - Board Chair

- 1. Roll Call (2 min)** Spencer Lawson
- 2. ACTION Approve Minutes from March 25, 2025 Meeting (1 min)** Spencer Lawson
- 3. Review of Public Comments**

The Cultural Core Budget Committee accepts public comments in the following formats: Written comments may be submitted via email to merinda@downtownslc.org or to the Downtown SLC Presents offices, 201 South Main Street, Suite 2300, Salt Lake City, UT 84111 no later than two hours prior to the meeting start time on the day of the meeting. Verbal comments of two minutes or less are accepted at the meeting.

4. Current Business

- 1. DISCUSSION AND ACTION** Review FY26 Budget (50 min) Spencer Lawson
 - a. Review FY26 Budget
 - b. Question and Answer
 - c. Board Vote to Approve the FY26 budget
- 2. DISCUSSION** Moving Forward and Ideas on how to grow The Blocks (15 min) Spencer Lawson
 - a. Ideas on how to raise additional funding
- 3. DISCUSSION** on current cadence of meeting (10 min) Britney Helmers
 - a. Should we meet more than once a quarter?
 - b. Suggestion to meet once a month but every other month be a mixer type event with the

board

- c. Discussion on Sub committees ie. Co-Create Arts Advisory Board
- 4. Art + Culture updates (15 min) Matt Castillo and Felicia Baca

5. Next Meeting: TBD (Based on board votes)

- 1. Tuesday, June 3, 2025 from 9:00am - 10:30am
- 2. Tuesday, July 15, 2025 from 9:00 am - 10:30am
- 3. Tuesday, August 12, 2025 from 9:00am - 10:30am

6. Adjourn

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