



The Blocks Arts District

Cultural Core Budget Committee Meeting

Thursday, November 20, 2025 @ 9:00am - 10:30am

Downtown Alliance Office | 201 S Main Street, Suite 2300 | SLC, UT 84111

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 - 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: Spencer Lawson - Board Chair

1. Roll Call (2 min) Spencer Lawson

2. ACTION Approve Minutes from September 16, 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 LucasH@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. **INTRODUCTION:** New Director, Lucas Horns (10 min) Spencer Lawson

2. **OPEN AND PUBLIC MEETINGS TRAINING** Confirm that all board members have completed the training per previous email and discussion (3 min) Spencer Lawson

3. **BOARD UPDATES**

a. **COUNTY & CITY UPDATES (10 min)**

- i. ArtTix Sales - Matt Castillo
- ii. Abravanel Hall Updates - Matt Castillo
- iii. Salt Lake City Arts Council Updates - Felicia Baca

b. **BRIEFING & DISCUSSION:** Review Quarter 1 Financials (15 min) Jill Kirsling

c. **BRIEFING & DISCUSSION:** Review Quarter 1 Programming (20 min) Josh Jones, Dee Brewer, Lucas Horns

- i. SonderSLC - Kelli Freshman

- ii. Day of the Dead Festival - Beto Conejo

iii. ABSLTY AMZNG ANMLS - Dallas Andrew Graham

- d. **BRIEFING & DISCUSSION:** Marketing and Dashboard Reporting for FY26 (15 min) Josh Jones, Dee Brewer, Lucas Horns

5. Next Meeting: Tuesday - January 13, 2025 9am-10:30am

6. Adjourn

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