



Adams County Cultural Council
Allocation Meeting Minutes
Thursday, May 23, 2024
Virtual, Zoom

- I. Call Meeting to Order – Megan Hartline called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m.
- II. Roll Call – Zoe Ocampo
Present: Megan Hartline, Joyce Downing, Ericka Hernandez, Emily Burr, James Towle, Jesse Martinez, Lawrence Dunn (late arrival)
Absent: Aaron Vega
Participants in Attendance: SCFD Program Officer, Dana Manyothane; Adams County Staff, Zoe Ocampo
- III. Motion to Approve Agenda – Motion to approve the agenda by Megan Hartline, moved by James Towle, seconded by Emily Burr; No opposed – motion passed.
 - a. *With the amended change of Kickoff Meeting Minutes date change to March 21, 2024.*
- IV. Motion to Approve Minutes - Motion to approve by Megan Hartline, moved by Emily Burr, seconded by Joyce Downing; No opposed – motion passed.
- V. New Business Items
 - a. Study Session Debrief
 - i. Council Members reviewed the 2024 Study Session process. Areas of discussion go to Fall Retreat.
 - b. Funding Allocation Presentation – Megan Hartline

- i. Considerations:
 - 1. Adams County requests for funding were higher than funding available.
 - 2. Map funding to Council's tiered scores for applicants.
 - 3. Tiered funding percentages for 2024/25 is lower than previous years.
 - 4. Evaluation of ineligible projects:
 - a. Adams County Historical Society, RecTrac Payment System. Reason: SCFD funds cannot be used for capital purchases.
 - b. Aurora Symphony Orchestra, Pilot Project of "Carousel". Reason: Project outside of 2024/25 date range.
 - c. Commerce City Cultural Council, Music in the Park. Reason: application error.
 - d. Denver Philharmonic Orchestra, Outreach through Mapleton Arts Center. Reason: Incomplete application.
 - e. Thornton Community Band, TCB Student Instrument Step Up. Reason: SCFD funds cannot be used for scholarships.
- ii. Two funding models presented for approval:
 - a. Model #1: Excludes all 5 projects deemed ineligible
 - b. Model #2: Includes project disqualified due to date error; rated as "fair"
 - 1. Motion made to approve Funding Model #2 by Jim Towle, seconded by Jesse Martinez; Seven in favor, one opposed. Motion passed.
- c. Looking Forward: 2025 Guidelines
 - i. The Cultural Council will form a subcommittee to review County Guidelines. Subcommittee to meet over the summer and propose changes to 2025 Guidelines at the Fall Retreat.
 - 1. Subcommittee Council Members: Joyce Downing, Jim Towle, Megan Hartline; SCFD Program Officer, Dana Manyothane; Adams County Staff, Zoe Ocampo

VI. SCFD Updates – Dana Manyothane

- a. SCFD board meeting 5/23: Tier 1's presented; on way to full recovery to pre-covid.
- b. The March 2024 SCFD sales and use tax revenue was \$7,061,160.43. The 2024 year-to-date (YTD) sales and use tax revenue is \$19,570,013.62. This compares to the YTD 2023 sales

and use tax revenue of \$19,916,218.87. The variance is (\$346,205.25), a 1.74% decrease in YTD 2024 over YTD 2023.

- c. Reauthorization - SCFD Board voted at April meeting to get on the ballot in 2028.
 - d. Reminder for Wednesday, June 5th Block Party and Rex Morgan Awards. Open to all SCFD organizations.
 - e. Council Chairs & Liaison meeting June 13 at Wonderbound.
 - f. Friday, October 11 is the deadline for 2025 Guidelines from Councils.
 - g. Tier III award checks distributed mid-October.
- VII. Adams County Updates – Zoe Ocampo
- a. Adams County SCFD Thank You Celebration for organizations – Wednesday, October 9.
 - b. Funding Next Steps
 - i. Recommended funding plan goes before Adams County Commissioners for approval at Study Session and Public Hearing, then on to SCFD.
 - ii. Organizations can email Zoe Ocampo for their estimated funding or questions: zocampo@adcogov.org.
 - c. Upcoming Adams County Events at Riverdale Regional Park:
 - i. Adams County Pride – June 8
 - ii. Adams County Fair - July 31st – August 4
 - iii. Festival Latino – September 15
 - d. Adams County was the first County to declare it's intent to fully participate in the America 250 / Colorado 150 Birthdays in 2026, and to join in efforts led by History Colorado, at a proclamation at Public Hearing on Tuesday, May 14.
- VIII. Public Comment
- a. None
- IX. Adjourn
- a. Megan Hartline adjourned at 6:43 p.m.