

**Douglas County Cultural Council
Allocation Meeting
Wednesday, October 9, 2024
Virtually via Zoom**

6:04 p.m. – CALLED TO ORDER

1. Roll Call

The following Council members were present: Anthony (Tony) Sievert, Jeanette Eirich, Christina Winslow, Bethany Claypool, and Sid Simonson.

SCFD representatives: Tim Murphy

Douglas County staff: Kim Smith

2. 2025 Grant Guidelines Discussion

GOS is limited to organizations whose **principal office is in Douglas County**. Organizations must demonstrate they serve and benefit Douglas County residents. These organizations are encouraged to apply for GOS requests; they may also additionally apply for one project grant per the guidelines below. Those applying for GOS from Douglas County, cannot apply for GOS in another county.

- If an organization has more than one location, please list all operational addresses.
- Not all organizations that apply for GOS may be funded, based on scores and funding available.

Jeanette Eirich made a motion to approve the 2025 Grant Guidelines grants based on the changes referenced above. Christina Winslow seconded. All Council members approved the 2025 Grant Guidelines. All percentages for the GOS and project requests remain the same as in 2024.

Bethany Claypool needed to leave the meeting and there was no quorum for the remainder of the meeting.

3. SCFD Update

- The next SCFD Board meeting is on Oct. 24, virtual, to approve the 2025 budget and officers for next year at the November meeting.
- The August 2024 SCFD sales and use tax revenue was \$7,391,303.21. The 2024 year-to-day (YTD) sale and use tax revenue is \$56,284,367.18. This compares to the YTD 2023 sales and use tax revenue of \$56,542,767.58. The variance is (\$258,400.40), a 0.46% decrease in YTD 2024 over YTD 2023.
- Wednesday, Nov. 13 mixer for all Cultural Councils from 4 to 6:30 p.m. at the SCFD office.
- Reauthorization – Sunsets in 2030 and will go back to voters in 2028 requesting the continuation of SCFD funding. SCFD will begin collecting data as part of that process and that plan is laid out on the “About” page on SCFD’s website.
- SCFD had 140 people apply for their open program officer position. Nine were interviewed and five were contacted for second interviews. An offer was made and that person will start Oct. 22.

4. 2025 Calendar

Council members acknowledged the 2025 calendar.

5. Follow-up Items

The next meeting is scheduled for March 11, 2025.

6. Public Comment

- No public comment.

7. Adjournment at 6:55 p.m.

No quorum. Meeting adjourned.