

Tom Merrill, PNUT Bio

Tom Merrill is a lifelong downtown Salt Lake City resident with a strong belief in the collective ability to achieve ambitious public goals. His early childhood home was in the Central 9th neighborhood, where he saw the city transform to serve as the host of the 2002 Winter Olympics. Now as a father of two young children, he resides in the Broadway District where he serves on the Board of the American Towers Owner's Association - the largest downtown residential community where he focuses on building community and infrastructure investment. Previously, Tom served on the Downtown Community Council from 2018 to 2024, the last two years as Council Chair. In that capacity, he served as a resident advisor on a variety of large scale public planning projects including the Future of Gallivan Plaza project, the Main Street Pedestrian Mall, and Pioneer Park Renewed. Professionally, Tom has had a career in healthcare policy, and in 2020, founded Redstone - a health policy research and advisory firm that works with reform-oriented healthcare organizations in Utah, including healthy built environment project design. In 2025, Tom joined the PNUT board to support the City's ongoing efforts to make Salt Lake family and outdoor recreation friendly. He spends much of his free time running, riding, and hiking with his children on the many mountain and urban trails Salt Lake City has to offer.