

## Report of the Regular Meeting of the

## Board of Trustees of the Utah Transit Authority (UTA) held at UTA FrontLines Headquarters located at 669 West 200 South, Salt Lake City, Utah June 22, 2016

## **Board Members Present:**

H. David Burton, Chair Sherrie Hall Everett

Robert McKinley, Vice Chair Jeff Hawker

Jeff Acerson Charles Henderson
Justin Allen Dannie McConkie
Keith Bartholomew Bret Millburn
Matthew Bell Michael Romero

Necia Christensen Troy Walker

Babs De Lay

Board Members Excused/Not in Attendance: All board members were present.

Also attending were members of UTA staff, as well as interested citizens and media representatives.

**Welcome and Call to Order.** Chair Burton welcomed attendees and called the meeting to order at 3:01 p.m. with thirteen voting board members present. The board and meeting attendees then recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Safety Minute.** Chair Burton yielded the floor to Dave Goeres, UTA Chief Safety and Security Officer, for a brief safety message.

Trustee Everett joined the meeting at 3:04 p.m.

**Swearing in of Newly Reappointed Board Members.** The oath of office was administered to Troy Walker and Charles Henderson by Rebecca Cruz, UTA Board of Trustees Support Manager.

**General Public Comment Period.** Public comment was given by George Chapman.

Trustee Millburn joined the meeting at 3:07 p.m.

**President/CEO Report.** Jerry Benson, UTA Interim President/CEO, delivered a report on topics including:

- The 36<sup>th</sup> National Veterans Administration Wheelchair Games
- A UTA police rescue of an autistic boy
- The receipt of the American Public Transportation (APTA) Certificate of Merit for Light Rail Safety for TRAX light rail pedestrian treatments and enhancements

**Resolution 2016-06-01: Proposed 2016 Budget Amendment.** Trustee Henderson summarized the resolution. He then yielded the floor to Robert Biles, UTA Vice President of Finance, who delivered a presentation outlining the budget amendment.

**Board Discussion.** Trustee Bell stated that Weber County is not comfortable with the allocation of some of the Proposition One funding. He then read a letter from Ogden Mayor Michael Caldwell regarding Proposition One and suggested the Proposition One funding be separated from the budget amendment for voting purposes. Trustee Millburn stated that leaders in Davis County are generally supportive of the Proposition One funding allocation for 2016 and expressed a desire to keep the Proposition One portion of the budget intact as part of the resolution. Mr. Benson explained that most of the 2016 Proposition One funding is being applied to increased service and the enhancement of amenities. He then spoke about the commitment the board made in 2015 to use funding from Proposition One primarily for service improvements. Further discussion ensued. Chair Burton reminded trustees that the vote on the resolution applies to the budget for 2016 only.

Comments by Salt Lake City Mayor Jackie Biskupski and Salt Lake Chamber President and Chief Executive Officer Lane Beattie. Salt Lake City Mayor Jackie Biskupski and Salt Lake Chamber President and Chief Executive Officer Lane Beattie addressed the board regarding opportunities at the Salt Lake City International Airport.

**Public Comment.** Public comment was given by George Chapman.

**Board Discussion and Decision/Action.** Following the public comment segment, additional discussion ensued. Chair Burton requested that Mayor Biskupski offer further comment related to the partnering effort on the airport TRAX extension. A motion to approve the resolution was made by Trustee Henderson and seconded by Trustee Millburn. The motion carried by majority consent with one abstention from Trustee McConkie and one nay vote from Trustee Bell.

**Resolution 2016-06-02: Resolution for the Issuance of Refunding Bonds, Subject to Certain Parameters.** Trustee Hawker gave an overview of the resolution and then yielded the floor to Mr. Biles, who provided more detail. A question was posed by Trustee Bartholomew and answered by staff.

**Public Comment.** Mr. Biles, in his capacity as secretary of the board, indicated that one online comment in favor of the resolution was received. No in-person public comment was given.

**Board Discussion and Decision/Action.** A motion to approve the resolution was made by Trustee Hawker and seconded by Trustee De Lay. The motion carried by unanimous consent.

**Travel Approval: APTA Bus Safety Peer Review in Vancouver, B.C.** Chair Burton yielded the floor to Mr. Benson, who explained that the American Public Transportation Association (APTA) requested UTA's participation in a peer review of the Coast Mountain Bus Company in Vancouver, British Columbia. UTA is proposing to send one employee to be part of this effort with all transportation, lodging, and incidental costs to be reimbursed by the host agency.

**Public Comment.** Mr. Biles, in his capacity as secretary of the board, indicated that one online comment in favor of the item was received. No in-person public comment was given.

**Board Discussion and Decision/Action.** A motion to approve the travel request was made by Trustee Bell and seconded by Trustee Walker. The motion carried by unanimous consent.

**2015 UTA Financial Audit Report.** Vice Chair McKinley presented the financial audit report agenda item. He then yielded the floor to Isaac Clarke, UTA Chief of Internal Audit, who introduced Gary Keddington from Keddington & Christensen, the firm that performed the financial audit. Mr. Keddington summarized the audit and stated UTA's financial statements were in conformity with accounting rules.

**Public Comment.** No public comment was received online or given in person on this topic.

**Board Discussion and Decision/Action.** A motion to accept the audit report was made by Trustee McKinley and seconded by Trustee Walker. The motion carried by majority consent with one abstention by Trustee De Lay.

**Informational Items.** No informational items were discussed.

**Items for Consent.** Consent items were comprised of the following:

Approval of May 25, 2016 Meeting Report

A motion to approve the consent item was made by Trustee Millburn and seconded by Trustee Walker. The motion carried by unanimous consent.

**Closed Session.** Chair Burton indicated there were matters to be discussed in closed session relative to pending litigation. A motion to move into closed session was made by Trustee Millburn and seconded by Trustee Henderson. The motion carried by unanimous consent and the board moved into closed session at 4:13 p.m.

**Open Session.** A motion to return to open session was made by Trustee Romero and seconded by Trustee Henderson. The motion carried by unanimous consent and the board returned to open session at 4:45 p.m.

**Action Taken Regarding Matters Discussed in Closed Session.** No action was taken regarding matters discussed in closed session.

Other Business. No other business was discussed.

**Adjournment.** The meeting was adjourned at 4:47 p.m. by motion.

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