

Report of the 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 August 22, 2018

## **Board Members Present:**

Greg Bell, Chair Gina Chamness, Vice Chair Jeff Acerson Cort Ashton Necia Christensen Alex Cragun Karen Cronin (non-voting) Babs De Lay Andrew Jackson Melissa Johnson Dannie McConkie Toby Mileski Bret Millburn Troy Walker

Board Members Excused/Not in Attendance: Jeff Hawker and Charles Henderson

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

**Welcome and Call to Order.** Chair Bell welcomed attendees and called the meeting to order at 1:40 p.m. with twelve board members present. The board and meeting attendees then recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Item(s) for Consent. Consent items consisted of the following:

- Approval of June 27, 2018 Board Meeting Report
- Financial Report & Dashboard for May and June 2018
- 2018 Second Quarter Investment Report
- Finance & Audit Committee Approved \$200,000-\$999,000 Contracts, Change Orders & Disbursements
  - Heated Bridgeplate (Siemens)
  - Grounding Contact Assembly (Siemens)
  - Bearing Tapered Assembly (Kaman)
  - Core Routes Consultant (Jarrett Walker and Associates)
  - VSP and LDO Boards for PTC (Alstom Group)
  - SD160 Sandbox Upgrade (Siemens)
  - Independent Monitoring Services (Coblentz Patch Duffy & Bass LLP)
  - Wheel Truing Agreement Amendment (Sonoma-Marin Area Rail Transit)
  - Provo Orem Transportation Improvement Project Right of Way Acquisition (Family Center Orem Shopping Center, LLC)
  - Provo Orem Transportation Improvement Project Right of Way Acquisition (Sun Development, LP)

It was noted that the contract for a federal monitor as required by UTA's agreement with the U.S. Attorney's Office was included as part of the Finance & Audit Committee approved contracts on the consent agenda. Trustee Acerson read a statement related to this topic.

A motion to approve the consent agenda by acclamation was made by Trustee Mileski and seconded by Trustee De Lay. The motion carried by unanimous consent.

**General Public Comment Period.** Public comment was given by George Chapman. Mr. Chapman expressed disapproval for building a new UTA Depot District bus facility and stated his preference that funds allocated to the project be put into increased service. Mr. Biles read a comment received online from Kevin Averett wherein Mr. Averett opined that the price of bus fares is too high.

**Director/Agency Report.** Steve Meyer, UTA Interim Executive Director, delivered a report on topics including:

• Receipt of a NoLo grant with Park City

- Receipt of a grant for positive train control implementation
- Service purchase by Salt Lake City for implementation of its transit master plan
- The need for a Depot District bus maintenance facility
- Executive Director approval of the low-no battery electric bus contract with New Flyer

Trustee Millburn joined the meeting at 1:50 p.m.

## **Committee Updates.**

## Finance and Audit Committee Update.

**R2018-08-01:** Authorizing Execution of Contract with Tony Divino Toyota (Rideshare Vans). Mr. Meyer indicated that this contract is for the replacement of 30 minivans for UTA's Rideshare program.

Public Comment. No public comment was given.

**Board Action.** A motion to approve resolution R2018-08-01 was made by Trustee Mileski and seconded by Trustee Jackson. The motion carried by unanimous consent with affirmative votes from Trustees Johnson, McConkie, Mileski, Milburn, Acerson, Ashton, Chamness, Christensen, Cragun, De Lay, Jackson, and Bell.

**R2018-08-02:** Authorizing Execution of Contract with MotivePower, Inc. (Locomotive Overhaul). Mr. Meyer stated that 18 FrontRunner locomotive engines have reached their midlife and this contract is for the labor and materials necessary to rebuild them.

Public Comment. No public comment was given.

**Board Action.** A motion to approve resolution R2018-08-02 was made by Trustee Mileski and seconded by Trustee Jackson. Discussion ensued during which a question was posed by the board regarding the cost savings realized by the overhaul and answered by staff. The motion carried by unanimous consent with affirmative votes from Trustees McConkie, Mileski, Milburn, Acerson, Ashton, Chamness, Christensen, Cragun, De Lay, Jackson, Johnson, and Bell. Trustee Walker joined the meeting at 2:03 p.m.

**R2018-08-03: Authorizing Execution of Contract with Utah Department of Transportation (UVU Pedestrian Bridge).** Mr. Meyer noted this project, which is led by the Utah Department of Transportation, connects the Orem Intermodal Center to the Utah Valley University main campus. UTA's contribution to the project is \$4 million for construction and land at the current park-and-ride lot for the western end of the bridge.

Public Comment. No public comment was given.

**Board Action.** Discussion ensued during which questions on the length of the bridge and the value of the land being contributed were posed by the board and responded to by staff. A motion to approve resolution R2018-08-03 was made by Trustee Mileski and seconded by Trustee Milburn. The motion carried by unanimous consent with affirmative votes from Trustees Mileski, Millburn, Walker, Acerson, Ashton, Chamness, Christensen, Cragun, De Lay, Jackson, Johnson, McConkie, and Bell.

R2018-08-04: Authorizing Execution of Contract with Big-D Construction (Depot District Clean Fuels Technology Center). Mr. Meyer explained that this contract is for the first phase of a best value construction management/general contractor (CM/GC) contract in the amount of \$4.2 million for work to be performed in 2018. The total project cost is approximately \$71 million. Additional phases will be brought to the board for approval in the future. Mr. Meyer noted that UTA is constrained at its current facility, which does not have the parking needed for UTA's growing fleet or the technology needed to maintain compressed natural gas (CNG) buses. The new facility will allow room to park up to 250 buses and will have the technology necessary to maintain the fleet efficiently.

**Public Comment.** Public comment was given by George Chapman. Mr. Chapman again reiterated his disapproval of allocating funds to the project. He encouraged a distributed bus garage system.

Mr. Meyer indicated that UTA has a facilities master plan that contemplates building a secondary bus garage in the southwest part of the Salt Lake Valley in the future. He said that seismic events were taken into consideration in the design of the Depot District facility. He then added that UTA cannot accommodate additional service from its existing bus garage and mentioned the agency has been pursuing grant opportunities for the project to help minimize the need for local funding.

**Board Action.** Discussion ensued during which questions on future plans, the current size of the bus fleet, anticipated growth, how the new bus facility will contribute to UTA's conversion to CNG, and the timeline for the project were posed by the board and answered by staff. A motion to approve resolution R2018-08-04 was made by Trustee Mileski and seconded by Trustee Millburn. The motion carried by unanimous consent with affirmative votes from Trustees Millburn, Walker, Acerson, Ashton, Chamness, Christensen, Cragun, De Lay, Jackson, Johnson, McConkie, Mileski, and Bell.

**R2018-08-05: Authorizing Execution of Change Order with Rocky Mountain Systems Services (Positive Train Control).** Mr. Meyer indicated this change order is for additional time and cost associated with implementing the federally-mandated positive train control program.

Public Comment. No public comment was given.

**Board Action.** A motion to approve resolution R2018-08-05 was made by Trustee Cronin and seconded by Trustee Millburn. The motion carried by unanimous consent with affirmative votes from Trustees Walker, Acerson, Ashton, Chamness, Christensen, Cragun, De Lay, Jackson, Johnson, McConkie, Mileski, Millburn, and Bell.

**Closed Session.** Chair Bell indicated a closed session was needed to discuss strategy related to pending or reasonably imminent litigation. A motion to move into closed session was made by Trustee McConkie and seconded by Trustee Millburn. The motion carried by unanimous consent and the board moved into closed session at 2:25 p.m.

Trustee Mileski left the meeting during closed session at 3:01 p.m.

**Open Session.** A motion to return to open session was made by Trustee De Lay and seconded by Trustee Jackson. The motion carried by unanimous consent and the board returned to open session at 3:16 p.m.

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

Trustee De Lay left the meeting at 3:17 p.m.

**Other Business.** Trustee Jackson mentioned the soft opening of the UVX line in Utah County. He also mentioned that Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) funding will be used to sponsor fares on the Utah Valley Express (UVX) for the next three years.

Trustee Jackson also spoke about the Utah County Commission's request for an interlocal agreement with UTA outlining how funds from the fourth quarter sales tax will be spent if the tax is approved. He said the commission needs to know the board's position on the interlocal agreement by Thursday, August 23, 2018. Discussion ensued. Questions on the provisions in the interlocal agreement and the deadline were posed by the board and answered by Trustee Jackson and UTA staff. Chair Bell concluded the discussion by stating the board was not prepared to address the interlocal agreement during today's meeting because it was not noticed on the meeting agenda.

Trustee Cronin expressed appreciation to UTA staff for meeting with Box Elder County officials. She requested regular information-sharing meetings in the future.

Adjournment. The meeting was adjourned at 3:30 p.m. by motion.

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