

**Minutes of the Public Hearing
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
and broadcast live on YouTube and video conference
November 11, 2020**

Board Members Participating:

Carlton Christensen, Chair
Beth Holbrook

Also participating were Jeff Acerson (UTA board appointee awaiting Senate confirmation), members of UTA staff, and members of the public.

Call to Order and Opening Remarks. Chair Christensen welcomed attendees and called the meeting to order at 6:12 p.m. He explained that staff was experiencing technical difficulties with the meeting broadcast.

Safety First Minute. Annette Royle, UTA Director of Board Governance, provided a brief safety message.

Budget Overview. Bill Greene, UTA Chief Financial Operator, highlighted key strategies, assumptions, and significant changes included in the budget. He then reviewed a new organizational structure contemplated in the budget and provided detail on the operating and capital budgets.

Previously Received Public Comment. Megan Waters, UTA Community Engagement Manager, indicated no public comment was received prior to the meeting.

In-Person Public Comment. No in-person public comment was given.

Remote Access Public Comment. Remote access public comment was offered by Brooke Green, Donald Geverts, and George Chapman. Ms. Green commended the board on the budget. Mr.

Geverts requested more information on future trends and the agency in general. Mr. Chapman suggested the board allow comments of at least three minutes and expressed concern that no additional comments on the budget were received. He opined that CARES Act funding should be applied to riders through a \$1 bus fare and said he feels the agency should be investing now in ridership. Mr. Chapman added that he does not think funding bus rapid transit (BRT) routes is justifiable and recommended the agency obtain a better server and software system. He then requested UTA stop covering and start cleaning bus windows. Mr. Chapman concluded by thanking UTA for being more transparent with its information, including access to daily ridership information.

More Information. Community members were invited to visit www.rideuta.com/budget or to contact hearingofficer@rideuta.com / 801-743-3882 for more information.


Adjournment. The meeting was adjourned at 6:36 p.m. by motion.

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Approved Date: December 2, 2020

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Carlton J. Christensen
Chair, Board of Trustees