

**MINUTES OF THE
INFRASTRUCTURE AND GENERAL GOVERNMENT APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE**

Wednesday, October 18, 2017 • 1:15 p.m. • 445 State Capitol

Members Present:

Sen. Wayne A. Harper, Senate Chair
Rep. Gage Froerer, House Chair
Rep. Walt Brooks, House Vice Chair
Sen. J. Stuart Adams
Sen. Jacob L. Anderegg
Sen. David G. Buxton
Sen. Lyle W. Hillyard
Sen. David P. Hinkins
Sen. Karen Mayne
Rep. Craig Hall
Rep. Lynn N. Hemingway

Rep. John Knotwell
Rep. A. Cory Maloy
Rep. Michael K. McKell
Rep. Merrill F. Nelson
Rep. Dixon M. Pitcher
Rep. Marie H. Poulson
Rep. Mike Schultz

Staff Present:

Mr. Sean C. Faherty, Fiscal Analyst
Mr. Brian Wikle, Fiscal Analyst
Ms. Cami Thorpe, Committee Secretary

Note: A copy of related materials and an audio recording of the meeting can be found at www.le.utah.gov.

1. Call to Order

Chair Froerer called the meeting to order at 1:28 p.m.

2. Deep Dive Budgeting: Capital Budgets

Brian Wikle, Fiscal Analyst, Office of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst, explained the deep dive budgeting.

Jim Russell, Director, Division of Facilities and Construction Management, discussed the Contingency Reserve Fund and the Project Reserve Fund.

3. Safe Sidewalks in Salt Lake County

Sen. Karen Mayne explained the Safe Sidewalk project.

4. Division of Fleet Operations

Sean C. Faherty, Fiscal Analyst, Office of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst, explained Division of Fleet Operations General Fund Debt.

Jeff Mottishaw, Director, Fleet Operations, spoke to the issue.

5. Deep Dive Budgeting: Debt Service

David Damschen, Utah State Treasurer, spoke about the Debt Affordability Study.

6. Utah Transit Authority Discussion

Sen. Wayne A. Harper discussed Utah Transit Authority.

Brian Wikle, Fiscal Analyst, Office of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst, explained Utah Transit Authority debt structure.

David Damschen, Utah State Treasurer, commented on the Utah Transit Authority debt.

7. Deep Dive Budgeting Discussion and Recommendations

Brian Wikle, Fiscal Analyst, Office of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst, introduced the motions.

MOTION: Rep. Schultz moved that by October 31, 2018 the State Building Board report to the Infrastructure and General Government Appropriations Subcommittee the amount of capital improvement funding expended on Priority 1, Priority 2, and Priority 3 projects in FY 2018. An update of the estimated 10-year expenditure needs for each priority level; and whether the State Building Board believes that capital improvement funding is sufficient to meet the needs. The motion passed with a vote of 12-0-6.

Yeas-12

Sen. J. Adams
Sen. J. Anderegg
Rep. W. Brooks
Sen. D. Buxton
Rep. G. Froerer
Sen. W. Harper
Sen. L. Hillyard
Rep. A. Maloy
Sen. K. Mayne
Rep. M. Nelson
Rep. M. Poulson
Rep. M. Schultz

Nays-0

Absent-6

Rep. C. Hall
Rep. L. Hemingway
Sen. D. Hinkins
Rep. J. Knotwell
Rep. M. McKell
Rep. D. Pitcher

MOTION: Sen. Harper moved to recommend to the 2018 Legislature that the body approve the following intent language: "The Legislature intends that any excess DFCM Project Reserve Funds, as determined by DFCM's analysis of current balances and projected needs, will be transferred to the Utah State Correctional Facility project before any other uses of these funds." The motion passed with a vote of 14-0-4.

Yeas-14

Sen. J. Adams
Sen. J. Anderegg
Rep. W. Brooks
Sen. D. Buxton
Rep. G. Froerer
Sen. W. Harper

Nays-0

Absent-4

Rep. C. Hall
Rep. L. Hemingway
Rep. J. Knotwell
Rep. M. McKell

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Sen. L. Hillyard
Sen. D. Hinkins
Rep. A. Maloy
Sen. K. Mayne
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Rep. M. Poulson
Rep. M. Schultz

MOTION: Rep. Nelson moved that by October 31, 2018 the State Treasurer report to the Infrastructure and General Government Appropriations Subcommittee principles that the Treasurer believes should guide the Legislature when the body considers whether and in what maximum amounts to authorize debt issuance. The motion passed with a vote of 14-0-4.

Yeas-14

Sen. J. Adams
Sen. J. Anderegg
Rep. W. Brooks
Sen. D. Buxton
Rep. G. Froerer
Sen. W. Harper
Sen. L. Hillyard
Sen. D. Hinkins
Rep. A. Maloy
Sen. K. Mayne
Rep. M. Nelson
Rep. D. Pitcher
Rep. M. Poulson
Rep. M. Schultz

Nays-0

Absent-4

Rep. C. Hall
Rep. L. Hemingway
Rep. J. Knotwell
Rep. M. McKell

MOTION: Rep. Maloy moved that by October 31, 2018 the Department of Transportation report to the Infrastructure and General Government Appropriations Subcommittee (1a) the number and percent of properties that have been entered into the central database; (1b) the estimated time until at least 95 percent of properties have been entered in the central database; and (1c) whether the department would recommend reducing or eliminating the \$300,000 ongoing appropriation once a substantial portion of the properties have been entered into the central database; and (2a) the number and percent of surplus properties for which legal descriptions have been created; (2b) the estimated time until all legal descriptions have been created for at least 95 percent of surplus properties; and (2c) whether the department would recommend reducing or eliminating the \$200,000 ongoing appropriation once legal descriptions have been created for a substantial portion of existing surplus properties. The motion passed with a vote of 13-0-5.

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Yeas-13

Sen. J. Adams
Rep. W. Brooks
Sen. D. Buxton
Rep. G. Froerer
Sen. W. Harper
Sen. L. Hillyard
Sen. D. Hinkins
Rep. A. Maloy
Sen. K. Mayne
Rep. M. Nelson
Rep. D. Pitcher
Rep. M. Poulson
Rep. M. Schultz

Nays-0

Absent-5

Sen. J. Anderegg
Rep. C. Hall
Rep. L. Hemingway
Rep. J. Knotwell
Rep. M. McKell

MOTION: Sen. Hinkins moved that by October 31, 2018 the Department of Transportation report to the Infrastructure and General Government Appropriations Subcommittee what steps the department has taken to reduce turnover for Transportation Technicians Level 1; and what legislative actions may be necessary to help reduce turnover. The motion passed with a vote of 13-0-5.

Yeas-13

Sen. J. Adams
Rep. W. Brooks
Sen. D. Buxton
Rep. G. Froerer
Sen. W. Harper
Sen. L. Hillyard
Sen. D. Hinkins
Rep. A. Maloy
Sen. K. Mayne
Rep. M. Nelson
Rep. D. Pitcher
Rep. M. Poulson
Rep. M. Schultz

Nays-0

Absent-5

Sen. J. Anderegg
Rep. C. Hall
Rep. L. Hemingway
Rep. J. Knotwell
Rep. M. McKell

MOTION: Rep. Brooks moved that by October 31, 2018 the Department of Transportation report to the Infrastructure and General Government Appropriations Subcommittee recommendations for shifting funding across region management programs; and recommendations, if any, for shifting funding out of the region management line item and into a construction line item. The motion passed with a vote of 13-0-5.

Yeas-13

Sen. J. Adams
Rep. W. Brooks
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Rep. G. Froerer
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Sen. L. Hillyard
Sen. D. Hinkins
Rep. A. Maloy
Sen. K. Mayne
Rep. M. Nelson
Rep. D. Pitcher
Rep. M. Poulson
Rep. M. Schultz

Nays-0

Absent-5

Sen. J. Anderegg
Rep. C. Hall
Rep. L. Hemingway
Rep. J. Knotwell
Rep. M. McKell

MOTION:

Sen. Mayne moved that this subcommittee open a bill file that will make the following changes and clarifications to the Fleet Efficiency Report produced by the Division of Fleet Operations under Utah Code 53A-9-401.5. Each reporting agency shall be required to report at least three initiatives related to fleet administration that they will implement in the coming year and the stated goal of each initiative. In each subsequent year, the reporting agency shall report the following to the Division of Fleet Operations: A. The outcomes of each initiative; B. The savings, if any, derived from each initiative; C. If the initiative was unsuccessful, the reasons why. The motion passed with a vote of 13-0-5.

Yeas-13

Sen. J. Adams
Rep. W. Brooks
Sen. D. Buxton
Rep. G. Froerer
Sen. W. Harper
Sen. L. Hillyard
Sen. D. Hinkins
Rep. A. Maloy
Sen. K. Mayne
Rep. M. Nelson
Rep. D. Pitcher
Rep. M. Poulson
Rep. M. Schultz

Nays-0

Absent-5

Sen. J. Anderegg
Rep. C. Hall
Rep. L. Hemingway
Rep. J. Knotwell
Rep. M. McKell

MOTION: Rep. Brooks moved that this subcommittee authorize the chairs to report to the Executive Appropriations Committee the motions approved by the subcommittee previously in this meeting; and the subcommittee's activities and any associated decisions related to the items listed in the letter from the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House to the chairs dated May 9, 2017 and that the chairs structure the report as they see fit. The motion passed with a vote of 13-0-5.

Yeas-13

Sen. J. Adams
Rep. W. Brooks
Sen. D. Buxton
Rep. G. Froerer
Sen. W. Harper
Sen. L. Hillyard
Sen. D. Hinkins
Rep. A. Maloy
Sen. K. Mayne
Rep. M. Nelson
Rep. D. Pitcher
Rep. M. Poulson
Rep. M. Schultz

Nays-0

Absent-5

Sen. J. Anderegg
Rep. C. Hall
Rep. L. Hemingway
Rep. J. Knotwell
Rep. M. McKell

8. Deep Dive Budgeting: Department of Transportation

Linda Toy Hull, Policy and Legislative Services Director, Utah Department of Transportation, discussed the program.

Becky Bradshaw, Finance Director, Utah Department of Transportation, discussed the program.

9. Other Business / Adjourn

MOTION: Rep. Schultz moved to adjourn at 4:02 p.m. The motion passed with a vote of 13-0-5.

Yeas-13

Sen. J. Adams
Sen. J. Anderegg
Rep. W. Brooks
Sen. D. Buxton
Rep. G. Froerer
Sen. W. Harper
Sen. L. Hillyard

Nays-0

Absent-5

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Rep. A. Maloy

Sen. K. Mayne

Rep. M. Nelson

Rep. D. Pitcher

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Rep. M. Schultz

Chair Froerer adjourned the meeting at 4:03 p.m.