



# MINUTES

## INFRASTRUCTURE AND GENERAL GOVERNMENT

### APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE

LEGISLATURE

Thursday, January 31, 2019 | 8:00 a.m. | 210 Senate Building

**Members Present:**

Sen. Kirk A. Cullimore, Senate Chair  
Rep. Douglas V. Sagers, House Chair  
Rep. Brady Brammer, House Vice Chair  
Sen. Jacob L. Anderegg  
Sen. David G. Buxton  
Sen. Wayne A. Harper  
Sen. Deidre M. Henderson  
Sen. David P. Hinkins  
Sen. Karen Mayne  
Sen. Daniel McCay  
Rep. Walt Brooks  
Rep. Ken Ivory  
Rep. A. Cory Maloy

Rep. Calvin R. Musselman  
Rep. Merrill F. Nelson  
Rep. Stephanie Pitcher  
Rep. Lawanna Shurtliff  
Rep. Andrew Stoddard

**Members Absent:**

Rep. Mike Schultz

**Staff Present:**

Mr. Chase Loftis, Financial Analyst  
Ms. Sarah Meredith, Intern  
Mr. Brian Wikle, Senior Economist  
Ms. Karen C. Allred, Committee Secretary

Note: A copy of related materials and an audio recording of the meeting can be found at [www.le.utah.gov](http://www.le.utah.gov).

### 1 . Call to Order

Senate Chair Cullimore called the meeting to order at 8:09 a.m.

### 2 . Approval of Minutes

**MOTION:** Sen. Hinkins moved to approve the minutes of the January 29, 2019 meeting. The motion passed with a vote of 11 - 0 - 8.

Yeas-11

Rep. B. Brammer  
Rep. W. Brooks  
Sen. D. Buxton  
Sen. K. Cullimore  
Sen. W. Harper  
Sen. D. Hinkins  
Rep. A. Maloy  
Rep. C. Musselman  
Rep. D. Sagers  
Rep. L. Shurtliff  
Rep. A. Stoddard

Nays-0

Absent-8

Sen. J. Anderegg  
Sen. D. Henderson  
Rep. K. Ivory  
Sen. K. Mayne  
Sen. D. McCay  
Rep. M. Nelson  
Rep. S. Pitcher  
Rep. M. Schultz

### 3 . Department of Transportation

Mr. Brian Wikle, Senior Economist, Office of Fiscal Analyst, explained intent language, requested fees and adjustments, for the Utah Department of Transportation (UDOT). Mr. Wikle demonstrated the Compendium of Budget Information (COBI), and explained the UDOT base budget. He explained the purpose of the request by UDOT for state funds to acquire capital for the Aeronautics Fleet and lapsing balances for Transportation Engineering. Mr. Wikle demonstrated a new tool on the website to get specific information on line items. Mr. Wikle further explained lapsing and non-lapsing balances, performance measures, and intent language, on line items in the base budget bill.

[3a-IGG - Issue Brief - 2019 GS - UDOT - Intent Language](#)

[3c-IGG - Issue Brief - 2019 GS - UDOT Budget Adjustments](#)

[3b-IGG - Issue Brief - 2019 GS - UDOT - Fees](#)

Sen. Hinkins asked about intent language on the mineral lease line item, and if money can be used for counties. Mr. Carlos Braceras, Director, UDOT, responded that in the past, distribution has been made to counties. The decision of which specific counties is made on a county level.

Rep. Sagers asked about Aeronautics. Mr. Braceras responded that this question will probably be answered in the UDOT presentation.

Mr. Wikle continued his presentation and explained the fees requested by UDOT, adjustments to the base budget bill, and authorized appropriations estimates. He discussed adjustments to: full time equivalent's (FTE's) salary and benefits, H.B. 26, S.B. 200, and S.B. 136.

Mr. Braceras, assisted by Ms. Teri Newell, Deputy Director, UDOT, and Mr. Jason Davis, Deputy Director, UDOT, introduced the UDOT staff, and gave an overview of the UDOT presentation. He demonstrated links and apps, and other features on the UDOT website. Mr. Braceras explained the UDOT Road Map, which is the vision, mission and core values of the department, and he explained about the functions of UDOT. Mr. Braceras discussed three strategic goals: zero fatalities, optimize mobility, and preserve infrastructure.

[3d-IGG - UDOT Presentation](#)

[3e-IGG - UDOT Handout Getting to know UDOT](#)

[3f-IGG - UDOT Handout Technical Planning Assistant](#)

Mr. Davis discussed preserving infrastructure, which includes advanced traffic management system (ATMS), bridges, pavements, and signals. Preserving good roads costs less.

Rep. Sagers asked about the gas tax increase over the next few years and optional funding for roads, with a response by Mr. Braceras.

Mr. Braceras discussed UDOT funding, which includes matching funds, transportation investment fund (TIF), highway federal funds, transit funds, and aeronautics funds. He explained estimated revenue and expenditures, federal funds revenue, and the federal and state match.

Sen. Hinkins asked about the process of getting a road built. Mr. Braceras responded with the best way to accomplish that need.

Rep. Brammer asked about TIF funds with a response from Mr. Braceras.

Ms. Newell discussed the TIF long range plan, priorities and projects for the entire state.

#### **4 . Implementation of S.B. 136, 2018 General Session**

Ms. Newell explained S.B. 136, which includes UDOT reorganization, Utah's transportation vision, the project prioritization process, a road usage charge (RUC), a UTA feasibility study and the rules of the state safety oversight of light rail.

Rep. Brammer asked about the road usage charge and what is the intended methodology for collection. Ms. Newell responded that technology is used to collect information and then is run through a commercial account manager. Initiatives are being considered throughout the nation to make collection less costly.

Mr. Braceras explained budget requests and budget transfers.

Mr. Davis discussed the Aeronautics Passenger Program budget request for aircraft replacement.

Sen. Hinkins asked if Navajo Mountain is serviced by the UDOT aeronautics program. Mr. Davis and Mr. Braceras responded.

Rep. Brooks commented that the information gathered justifies the purchase of these planes.

Rep. Sagers and Sen. Buxton commented that they support Rep. Brooks comment.

Sen. Hinkins suggested moving on with the discussion, and Mr. Davis continued and explained the request to transfer funds from the construction line item to the operations line item.

Ms. Newell explained the local government land use planning technical assistance request, and the line item request for the transfer of lapsing funds.

## **5 . Requests for Appropriation**

There were no other requests for appropriations.

## **6 . Other Business**

There was no other business.

## **7 . Adjourn**

**MOTION:** Sen. Hinkins moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 15 - 0 - 4.

### Yeas-15

Sen. J. Anderegg  
Rep. B. Brammer  
Rep. W. Brooks  
Sen. D. Buxton  
Sen. K. Cullimore  
Rep. K. Ivory  
Rep. A. Maloy  
Sen. K. Mayne  
Sen. D. McCay  
Rep. C. Musselman  
Rep. M. Nelson  
Rep. S. Pitcher  
Rep. D. Sagers  
Rep. L. Shurtliff  
Rep. A. Stoddard

### Nays-0

### Absent-4

Sen. W. Harper  
Sen. D. Henderson  
Sen. D. Hinkins  
Rep. M. Schultz

Senate Chair Cullimore adjourned the meeting at 9:58 a.m.