



MINUTES

INFRASTRUCTURE AND GENERAL GOVERNMENT

APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE

Friday, February 8, 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. 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:

Sen. Deidre M. Henderson
Rep. Mike Schultz

Staff Present:

Mr. Chase Loftis, Financial Analyst
Ms. Sarah Meredith, Fiscal Analyst Intern
Mr. Brian Wickle, 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.

Chair Sagers called the meeting to order at 8:07 A.M.

Mr. Brian Wickle, gave an introduction to the capital development requests, and said that the funding is already in place for the National Guard Nephi Center request. Anything that is in the base budget bill can be modified in later appropriations bills. There are many requests for appropriation from the legislators that will be heard the last two meetings.

1 . SLCC Herriman Gen. Ed. Building

Ms. Deneece Huftalin, President, Salt Lake Community College (SLCC), explained the history and purpose of the funding request for the SLCC Herriman General Education Building. This will be the first building on the Herriman City SLCC property. SLCC has partnered with the University of Utah for use of the building.

[3-IGG - SLCC Presentation](#)

2 . Approval of Minutes

MOTION: Rep. Brammer moved to approve the minutes for the February 4 and February 6, 2019 meetings. The motion passed with a vote of 12 - 0 - 7.

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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. M. Nelson
Rep. D. Sagers
Rep. L. Shurtliff
Rep. A. Stoddard

Nays-0

Absent-7

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

3 . Update: DSU Human Performance Center

Mr. Wikle, Senior Economist, Office of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst (LFA) explained the update of the Dixie State University (DSU) Human Performance Center, which has already been funded. Some of the projects are costing more than originally planned, so DSU is requesting additional funding for the Human Performance Center.

[4-IGG - DSU Human Performance Center Update](#)

Mr. Jim Russell, Director, Division of Facilities Construction and Management (DFCM), and Mr. Paul Morris, Administrative Vice President, Dixie State University, gave a presentation on the need for additional funding for the Dixie State University Human Performance Center. Mr. Russell explained the escalation of costs on the Human Performance Center at Dixie State University. Mr. Morris explained the engineering efforts to reduce the costs to keep the project on track at each stage of the design, and after each bid package. Mr. Russell continued explaining efforts made to continue on the project, and the additional request for appropriation.

Rep. Brammer asked if there would be overruns on other projects, and how to plan for those projects. Mr. Russell responded.

Sen. Hinkins made a comment about cost escalation, with a response by Mr. Russell.

Rep. Musselman asked about tariff impacts, with a response from Mr. Russell.

Sen. Buxton made a comment about the timing of the appropriation and bids.

Rep. Maloy asked if the project is still moving forward and about cost cutting measures, with a response from Mr. Morris.

Chair Sagers asked if the cost cuts affect the efficiency or programs of the project, and can similar problems on other projects be foreseen. Mr. Morris and Mr. Russell responded.

4 . DSU Student Housing Project

Mr. Wikle explained that the Dixie State University Student housing project is a non-state funded request, and the Science Building request will be a state funded request.

Mr. Richard Williams, President, Dixie State University (DSU), introduced himself, and Mr. Morris explained a new on-campus student housing project at Dixie State University, for the subcommittee's approval for this request, and the request for bonding.

[5-IGG - DSU Student Housing Presentation](#)

5 . DSU Science Building

Mr. Williams gave an overview of the Science, Engineering & Technology new building requests. A handout was distributed to the subcommittee showing the layout of the campus plan.

[6-IGG - DSU - Science Building Presentation](#)

Rep. Brooks made a comment on the cost and space utilization for the building.

6 . WSU Engineering & Science Building

Mr. Brad Mortensen, Weber State University, assisted by Mr. Keith Titus, Chair, College of Engineering, Applied Science and Technology Advisory Board, and Dr. Scott Nowlin, BAE Systems, explained the Engineering & Science Building request at Weber State University.

Mr. Titus explained the top ten most in-demand skills in the world, which are supported by the new Engineering and Science & Technology buildings.

Dr. Nolan further discussed the need for manpower in the future, that this building will provide. Mr. Mortensen conclude the presentation with cost per square foot, private funding, and cost for tax payers.

7 . UVU Sorensen Student Center

Rep. Val Peterson, Vice President, Utah Valley University (UVU), assisted by Mr. Norm Wright, Dean of Business, UVU, explained a non-state funded project, the Utah Valley University Sorensen Student Center remodel.

Sen. McCay asked about the food court in the new student center, with a response by Rep. Peterson and Mr. Wright.

8 . UVU New Business Building

Rep. Peterson explained the request for a new business building, the Woodbury School of Business, for Utah Valley University. The number one problem at UVU is space.

Dean Wright explained the growth in the number of business students at UVU, and the increase in per student credit hours. Rep. Peterson concluded the presentation of the UVU new business building budget request.

9 . SUU Tech. & Engineering Building

Mr. Scott Wyatt, President, Southern Utah University (SUU), assisted by Ms. Donna Law, explained the need for a new Technology and Engineering Building. Mr. Wyatt said that SUU has raised \$5 on its own for every \$1 provided by the state funds. The request is for a computer science, engineering, mathematics, and design building.

[10a-IGG - SUU Handout](#)

[10b-IGG - SUU Presentation](#)

Rep. Musselman asked about square footage as compared to students, with a response from Pres. Wyatt.

Rep. Brooks expressed appreciation for SUU for their example in raising funds for buildings, and asked Pres. Wyatt to explain what he did with the President's residence. Pres. Wyatt responded.

10 . National Guard Nephi Center

Mr. Wikle reminded the subcommittee that there are funds in place, with matchings federal funds for the project for the National Guard. He asked the subcommittee to add this to the list of buildings to prioritize.

Lt. Col. Vincent Wolff, Construction Facilities Management Officer, Utah Army National Guard, assisted by Michael Norton, Finance Director, Utah Army National Guard, explained the National Guard Nephi Center. The design is currently funded and awarded, and construction will start in spring 2019.

[11-IGG - UNG - Presentation](#)

Sen. Buxton commented that state money is leveraged to the maximum in this project, with matching federal funds.

Rep. Musselman commented that the National Guard makes exceptional use of state funds.

11 . Department of Agriculture Spry Replacement

Ms. LuAnn Adams, Commissioner, Utah Department of Agriculture and Food (UDAF), assisted by Mr. Scott Ericson, Deputy Commissioner, UDAF, explained the extreme need for replacing the Spry building.

Sen. Mayne asked about the health issues of employees due to mold, with a response of Ms. Adams.

Sen. Buxton commented that this building has been on the list for a long time, and it's time for this building to be funded.

Sen. Hinkins asked about the funding last year, with a response from Ms. Adams.

Chair Sagers made a comment on the labs of the building and need to be a priority.

12 . Courts Sixth District Court Manti

Mr. Christ Talbot, Director of Court Facilities, Utah State Courts, explained the need to replace the Manti District Court. Currently the court is a tenant in a Sanpete County building, and lacks security and safety features.

12-IGG - Agriculture Presentation

[13-IGG - Courts Presentation](#)

Rep. Brammer clarified the request, and asked several questions concerning the building. Mr. Talbot responded.

Rep. Ivory asked if there were other location options, with a response from Mr. Talbot.

Sen. Buxton asked about liability, with a response from Mr. Talbot.

Chair Sagers asked about the rent for the building, with a response from Mr. Talbot.

Sen. Hinkins asked about funding court houses of other counties, with a response form Mr. Talbot.

Rep. Ivory asked about the area served by the courthouse, with a response from Mr. Talbot.

13 . Department of Heritage & Arts Collections

Ms. Jill Love, Director, Heritage & Arts, introduced Ms. Kerri Nakamura, Deputy Director, Heritage & Arts, and Ms. Karen Krieger, Art Collection Manager and Project Manager, Artifact and Art Center. Ms. Love explained the budget request for the Department of Heritage & Art Collections. Currently the artifacts are in the basement of the Rio

Grande, and an alternative site is needed for archaeological artifacts. Ms. Krieger explained the costs for this request. Ms. Love concluded the presentation with the purpose of the request, and reminded the subcommittee of the breakfast and tour Monday, February 11, 2019 from 6-9 am.

[14-IGG - Heritage and Arts Presentation](#)

Sen. Buxton made a comment about the importance of artifacts, with a response from Ms. Love.

14 . 10:05 a.m. Department of Public Safety Brigham City

Col. Mike Rapich, Deputy Commissioner, Department of Public Safety, and Ms. Kristy Rigby, Deputy Commissioner, Department of Public Safety, explained a request for a proposed building which would consolidate several current buildings in Box Elder and Cache Counties.

[15-IGG - DPS Presentation](#)

Sen. Cullimore asked for clarification on the funding request, with a response from Col. Rapich.

15 . Bridgerland Technical College

Mr. Chad Campbell, President, Bridgerland Technical College (BTC), assisted by Ms. Wendy Carter, Vice President for Instruction, BTC, explained the building need and request for the BTC. Ms. Carter explained why the need is critical.

[16-IGG - BTECH Presentation](#)

Rep. Shurtliff commented on the importance of this project.

16 . Other Business

There was no other business.

17 . Adjourn

MOTION: Rep. Brammer moved to adjourn.

Chair Sagers adjourned the meeting at 10:58 a.m.