

Association of Local Governments Board Meeting
USU-Moab

1850 Aggie Blvd. Moab Utah 84532

September 25,2025

MEMBERS PRESENT	STAFF	GUESTS
Commissioner Bill Winfield Mayor Danny VanWagoner (e) Commissioner Tony Martines Mayor Joette Langianese Mayor Bayley Hedglin Jan Olsen for Commissioner Keven Jensen (a) Commissioner Lori Maughan Mayor Lenise Peterman	Jade Powell Kim Wells (v) Chris Allred Korrin Olson	Rosa Vargas Edward Bennett

**1. INFORMATION: Congressional Staff, State & Federal Officials,
Guest Information / Presentations - Chair**

Commissioner Bill Winfield made the comment that there was no one online or in person at the board meeting and we will continue on.

Roll call vote was taken at 12:47 to establish a quorum.

2.MOTION: SEUALG Consent Agenda - Chair

- a. SEUALG Board Meeting Minutes from August 28, 2025
- b. CDBG Rating and Ranking Public Hearing Minutes from August 28, 2025
- c. SEUALG Personnel Policies & Procedures Updates to: Title 3, Chapter A; Title 7, Chapter F;
Title 7, Chapter B
- d. USU Eastern - Economic Development Center & SERDA MOU for Internship Program

Commissioner Bill Winfield called for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. A motion to approve was made by Mayor Joette Langianese and was seconded by Mayor Bayley Hedglin. Vote unanimous and motion carried.

3. DISCUSSION / MOTION: Items Pulled From Consent Agenda - Chair

No items were pulled from the consent agenda.

4. MOTION: Agency Financials for July- Kim Wells

-We are on track to spend out by the end of the year. CSBG was expended for FY24 those are overlapping contracts, we have the new FY25 contracts that we are moving into. We did receive some additional funds, from TFAP that we're spending down, by the thirtieth of this month. for the fiscal office and the financials is our new software system is breaking ground October 14. Next month, we will have new financials to look at. From what I understand, all the financials will be looking a lot like what we currently have.

Commissioner Bill Winfield called for a motion to approve the Financials. Motion to approve was made by Mayor Joette Langianese and was seconded by Commissioner Lori Maughan. Vote unanimous and motion carried.

5. MOTION: Regional Opportunity Council - Implementation Strategy - Geri Gamber

- The governor's office of planning and budget has Laura Hansen. I'm sure a lot of you know Laura. So, in Carbon And Emery County, we have a lot of people doing a lot of work. We were hoping they came in, and they're doing this regional opportunity council, and trying to streamline. So we're all kind of meeting together and doing things in alignment and, and they're so they've been holding I think they've held 5 meetings thus far, between they have a separate policy committee, and then they have a larger council meeting where quite a few more people are invited to give .

Commissioner Bill Winfield called for a motion to approve the Implementation Strategy. Motion to approve was made by Commissioner Lori Maughan and was seconded by Mayor Bayley Hedglin. Vote unanimous and motion carried.

6. MOTION: DHS Annual Program Monitoring Report for Southeastern Area Agency on Aging Nutrition Program for the Elderly (Utah Administrative Code 510-104 & 62A-3-104) - Shawna Horrocks & Robert Jensen

-Overall, we did a really good job running our nutrition program, and we historically always have done well with it. There's a new state lady that's doing the audits this year. She identified a few things, but she wanted us to work on it. Mostly, what it came down to is, the menus were being analyzed by a dietitian. We have a dietitian here at the hospital that analyzes those. The way that she was analyzing those, was not in compliance with the older American apps. We went up last year to get trained on that program. It's called Isha. So she knows how to navigate the program. It says getting her to implement it and start using it. So we are on track to get that one resolved. Then the other findings had to do with the way the donations were being tracked and so we do track our home delivery clients. As far as for the drivers, they make sure that we make sure that we get the money that they say that they are receiving. She was confused with that being a center because we do not track who donates in the centers, per the regulations. A couple of the centers on how we are doing, leftovers or second meals. We just need to be reporting those correctly, so that we are not throwing away food, which we are not. There was a finding that said we were throwing away food and 1 of the directors said that I think she got very nervous, but we don't throw any food away. It goes to frozen meals, which we then give to mobile meal clients who need that extra extra food for weekends. We deliver 4 days a week, and they can get up to 7 days of food. The frozen meals go out to those clients.

- There was one other finding and it was on assessment. We are behind on assessments in Emery County. We're supposed to be doing reassessments every year, and I have about half of my clients, need to be reassessed more regularly. We have a plan in place, that every month we will be going over who needs to be reassessed in that month so that it isn't 50 different clients being reassessed all at the same time. We're breaking that up so that we only have to reassess 10, 15 clients a month, and that makes it more feasible. I think that as far as findings and everything, that was everything that we're working on.

-We are doing a lot, every county. Currently, we have about 110 mobile meal clients. And, oh, and the other thing with mobile mail clients, it said that a lot of them are driving. Being in a rural community makes it difficult to be completely homebound to be on mobile mails. I have been allowed, and I will, double check with the state to make sure that it's okay. Sometimes they will run down to check their mail or, you know, different things. They're not leaving the town in which they are living, as far as transportation goes. So they do need transportation to doctor's appointments and a lot of shopping trips and a lot of these different things.

Commissioner Bill Winfield called for a motion to approve the DHS Monitoring Report. Motion to approve was made by Mayor Bayley Hedglin and was seconded by Mayor Joette Langianese. Vote unanimous and motion carried.

7. MOTION: Purchase of New Weatherization Vehicles - Chris Allred

- a. 1 Ton Pickup with Box Upfit
- b. 1/2 Ton Pickup

Chris Allred spoke with the board about the needs for the new vehicles and what they would be used for and the costs.

Commissioner Bill Winfield called for a motion to approve the purchase of new weatherization vehicles. Motion to approve was made by Mayor Joette Langianese and seconded by Mayor Bayley Hedglin . Vote unanimous and motion carried.

8.MOTION: Consent Based Siting - Expression of Interest Application - Jade Powell & Geri Gamber

Jade Powell commented recently we held a workshop in San Juan County at the Bluff Community Center on consent based siting dealing with spent nuclear energy. It's been a conversation we have had with Carbon and Emery counties. It's a conversation we had with San Juan and were trying to bring Grand county into those conversations. Jade Powell mentioned one of the partners that we have met with is Shannon Kang. She works for Envoy Public Labs is a community outreach arm of the GAIN program which is with Idaho National Lab. We are trying to connect those dots so you know who we're talking to, Shannon put us in touch with Mara who runs the consent based siting program for the Dept of Energy, we spoke with her last week and there is going to be an application process they are calling the EOI an expression of interest and it will open up in early 2026. She was excited to talk to us because she likes to hear that we in our area and in Utah kind of have a whole life cycle of nuclear which is something they want to put in consent based not just for spent fuel but like everything. So where we have the White Mesa Mill, we have Valar Atomics or maybe something else like in Green River or in Emery County for nuclear development all the way down to where a couple of our counties have developed interest in even storing and recycling spent fuel. Carbon County expressed interest in storage, the lab actually researching recycling of spent fuel. Well they haven't started yet, they are in talks with a company to do that. The DOE is really interested in touching all cycles of nuclear energy. If you're willing we would like to keep tracking the application and actually submit an application. They haven't announced anything other than that to be on the lookout. It was first mentioned November and then Mara told us early 2026. Having those conversations actually trying to progress with that. It was mentioned that the idea of a regional rather than just one of us small cities and it shows backing especially because it will be an uphill battle in some areas. Mara described it to be like we go through the consent based siting process and offer as many off ramps as possible. Mayor Baylie Hedglin stated If we are regional it's more daunting for lawsuits as if it was one city. Working as a group effort and we are working all together and advocating for our communities and what they want. Mayor Joette Langianese commented that even if our county doesn't participate, we can advocate for our region.

Commissioner Bill Winfield called for a motion to move forward with express interest application in the Consent Based Siting. Motion to approve was made by Mayor Joette Langianese and was seconded by Commissioner Lori Maughan. Vote unanimous and motion carried.

9. INFORMATION / UPDATE: Mutual Self Help Program Update - Chris Allred

- We have purchased two lots. We already have two lots, so now we have 4 approved participants and we have four lots to build on. Currently, USDA does not have any funding. We're waiting for them to get their appropriation, and then we can move forward with funding those mortgages and Speaker 7: It's basically we have our contract to do it, and we have so Christine, you know, Representative Watkins got the \$500,000. So we have \$375,000 of that 500,000. And but the mortgage part where the participants get the mortgage through USDA, that is what's not funded.

10. MOTION: Purchase of Huntington City Building Lots (6 lots) - Chris Allred

-In preparation for the future, we have looked into purchasing land in Huntington City in Emery County. We work with Bevin Wilson, and he is willing to sell us some property. So and and that's included in your packets, all that information. It is to purchase six lots, or what will be some of its land that will be subdivided into six lots. The breakdown for pricing is there also. Really good pricing on that, I feel. And so, we'll just we'd like approval to be able to purchase that line so that we're ready to approve for future builds. We have a plan b in case the worst happens and we don't have this program anymore. So Lynn Sitterud is a dealer for modular homes so we could also work with him to try to get people on those lots should the worst happen.

Commissioner Bill Winfield called for a motion to approve the purchase of building lots. A motion to approve was made by Mayor Joette Langianese and was seconded by Commissioner Lori Maughan. Vote unanimous and motion carried.

11. INFORMATION: FY25 CSBG - Year 1 Program Monitoring - Julie Rosier

-Julie had perfect monitoring on FY25 CSBG. CSBG is what runs the food banks. There's four food banks that Julie is over. There's Castle Dale, the Green River, the Moab, and Carbon County, so it's a small amount of money to run for food banks, but with Utah Food Bank donating and

volunteerism, we get it all done. Julie's amazing, she does a really good job. She with this money there this money for a 100 under a 150,000 has more demands than most of our programs. She has to hold that tripartite board meeting, she has to do a strategic plan, and that has to be done. There is a 3 year needs analysis that has to be done. It's a lot of work for this money, and she didn't have any findings or anything. She does an amazing job.

12. DISCUSSION: Negativity about SERDA: How can communication be elevated? - Geri Gamber & Jade Powell.

13. DISCUSSION: Building Inspections - Jade Powell

14. DISCUSSION: SEEN / BTAC Management and Service Provider - Jade Powell & Geri Gamber

15. MOTION: CIB Throughput Infrastructure Fund Approval - Geri Gamber

-Department of Commerce and the Department of State and the Department of Energy, and they convened a meeting on August 21 with, the Utah Mining Association, the Wyoming Mining Association, and a bunch of coal producers in the West, to talk about the possibility of exporting coal out of the Port Of Guaymas and what the administration could do to to help make that happen.

-Through the UTRGA, Geri and Jade asked us to help complete the CIB application so that it can be submitted. In that time, Carbon County has actually engaged a group that includes a previous employee of Savage Services. His name is Armando Tirado. Before working for Savage, he started his career out of college with Union Pacific. He's worked at every major facility that UP has in The United States, his advice as kind of an advisor on this effort was to do a 2 phase approach and, not just limit ourselves to looking at a port in Mexico, but looking at the potential of any deepwater port connectivity, including Gulf Of Mexico. We already have that coal flowing to the Gulf Of Mexico, but we already have Utah, oil flowing to the Gulf Of Mexico from Carbon County. The thought process on the application is to do a preliminary investigation and market analysis with coal leading out, but also thinking about other aggregated commodities that could be pushed out of Utah to deep water. Then that will allow us to characterize how to spend the larger chunk of money that's available. That's how the application is structured, I think it's safe to say that the application as it was given to us is a bit problematic. It doesn't seem really thought out, but we've addressed the questions as best we could based on the structure they

gave.

16. MOTION: Adjournment

Commissioner Bill Winfield called for a motion to Adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 2:17pm.

Chair Signature_____ **Date**_____