**STATE BONDING COMMISSION**

Draft Minutes of the September 13, 2021 Meeting

**Capitol Board Room,**

**Authority Members Attending:**

 Diedre Henderson, Lieutenant Governor and Chair of the State Bonding Commission

 Blaine Carlton, Vice Chair of the State Bonding Commission

 Marlo Oaks, State Treasurer and Secretary of the State Bonding Commission

**Others in Attendance:**

 Kirt Slaugh, Office of State Treasurer (via Zoom)

 Diana Artica, Office of the State Treasurer

Perri Babalis, Assistant Attorney General (via Zoom)

 Johnathan Ward, Zions Public Finance

 Brian Baker, Zions Public Finance

Carolyn Gonot, Utah Transit Authority

Bill Green, Utah Transit Authority

Carlton Christensen, Utah Transit Authority

Randy Larson, Gilmore Bell, LLC.

Laury Tuttle, Gilmore Bell, LLC.

Bob Kinney, Wells Fargo

**Meeting called to order by Lt. Governor Henderson at 10:00 am**

Johnathan Ward and Carlton Christensen introduced those who were in attendance.

**Administration of the Oath of Office –** Sanjay, Notary Public administered the Oath of Office to Treasurer Oaks and Lt. Governor Henderson.

**Approval of Minutes** – Mr. Oaks made a motion to approve the minutes from the October 13, 2020 meeting of the Commission. Mr. Carlton seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with Ms. Henderson, Mr. Oaks and Mr. Carlton all voting in favor.

**Consideration of a Bonding Resolution for Utah Transit Authority** – Mr. Baker discussed slides handed out in the meeting explaining the opportunity for savings to UTA from the proposed taxable bond refunding.

In the presentation Mr. Baker discussed UTA’s financial position, debt profile, bond ratings, legal debt capacity and debt policies. In addition Mr. Baker explained the goals of the transaction include restructuring the refunding bonds to decrease the maximum debt service, moving principal payments from June to December to better align with UTA’s fiscal year end, and realize savings currently expected to be around 6% of the cost of debt service of the bonds being refunded or around $24.3 million net present value.

Mr. Baker explained that the new debt will be taxable securities instead of tax-exempt like those bonds being refunded, but even with the loss of tax-exemption the savings are substantial. He further clarified that the refunding will not extend the maturity of the debt. Mr. Baker explained that the transaction was still subject to approval by UTA’s board on October 22nd. No questions from the Commissioners were voiced after the presentation.

Mr. Oaks commented that he believes the transaction makes economic sense and that the savings were substantial and that he had no concerns with the transaction. Mr. Carlton agreed.

Mr. Larsen presented the bond resolution which was included in the materials handed out at the meeting.

Mr. Carlton made a motion to approve the resolution. Mr. Oaks seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously with Ms. Henderson, Mr. Oaks, and Mr. Carlton all voting in favor.

**4. Other matters of business** – No other matters of business were noted.

Treasurer Oaks made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously with Mr. Oaks, Mr. Carlton and Ms. Henderson all voting in favor.

**The meeting was adjourned.**