

# UTA Board of Trustees Meeting

August 24, 2022



# Call to Order and Opening Remarks



# Pledge of Allegiance



# Safety First Minute



# Public Comment

Live comments are limited to 3 minutes per commenter

Public comment was solicited prior to the meeting through alternate means, including email, telephone, and the UTA website

Any comments received through alternate means were distributed to the board for review in advance of the meeting



# Consent Agenda

- a. Approval of August 10, 2022, Board Meeting Minutes



# **Recommended Action**

## **(by acclamation)**

Motion to approve consent agenda



# Reports





# Executive Director's Report

- Sponsored Fare for Certain Special Events as part of COVID Rider Recovery Initiative Resolution Report
- Executive Director Team Award
- Mass Transit 40 Under 40 Award



# **Sponsored Fare for Certain Special Events as part of Covid Rider Recovery Initiative Resolution Report**



## RESOLUTION R2021-07-04

- In July 2021, the Board approved a resolution authorizing the authority to enter into certain sponsored fare agreements for special events as part of the authority's COVID recovery efforts:
  - Supporting the economy, including events and hospitality
  - Strengthening future relationships with past partners and generating new partners
  - Opportunity to cross promote events and transit



# EVENTS

- Twenty (20) partner contracts lead to forty-five (42) unique events, giving 456,000 individuals access to transit (August 2021 through July 2022)
- Estimated that four to eight percent (4-8%) of attendees utilized their transit benefit, or 36,500 to 72,800 total trips

Partner	No. of Events	Location
Salt Lake City Twilight	5	Downtown
Afro Festival	1	Downtown
FanX (volunteers)	1	Downtown
WASHTO - UDOT Conference	1	Downtown
Best Fest	1	Downtown
Mormon Tabernacle Choir	1	Downtown
LDS General Conference	1	Downtown
Golden Spoke	1	Downtown
Utah Arts Festival	1	Downtown
Pride Festival	1	Downtown
Show Up for Teachers	1	Downtown
Beer Festival	1	Fairpark
State Fair Events	9	Fairpark
Utah Asian Festival	1	Fairpark
Tumbleweeds	1	Midvale
Ogden Twilight	10	Ogden
Latino Heritage Festival	1	Provo
REAL SL	2	Sandy
Salt Lake Marathon	1	U of U
Grizzlies	1	West Valley
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>42</b>	



# Executive Director Team Award



# Mass Transit 40 Under 40 Award



# Derick Lee





# Resolutions



**R2022-08-01 Resolution Authorizing Execution of  
Supplement No. 2 to an Interlocal Cooperation  
Agreement with Provo City for the Provo Pedestrian  
Bridge as part of the TIGER First/Last Mile  
Program**



# History of the Provo Pedestrian Bridge (TIGER Project)

- The Provo Pedestrian Bridge Project is a TIGER First/Last Mile Project.
- TIGER Stakeholder Agreement 20-03245 was executed on May 4, 2020 between UTA and Provo City for the TIGER Project: Provo Pedestrian Bridge.
  - Supplement No. 1 (20-03245-1) was executed on May 4, 2020 for the scope, schedule, and budget – based on preliminary information known at the time.



# Supplement No. 2 to Provo City Stakeholder Agreement

- The current Provo Pedestrian Bridge budget is \$4,470,325 comprised of TIGER grant funds, MAG matching funds, and other UDOT funds.
- Supplement No. 2 will increase the Project Budget by \$3,516,850 for a total Project Budget of \$7,987,175.
  - -\$300,000 reduction of TIGER Funds
  - \$300,000 is from MAG Local Funds
  - \$800,000 is from additional MAG Federal Funds
  - \$1,100,000 is from UDOT TTIF Local Funds
  - \$1,000,000 is from UTA Partner Funds
  - \$616,850 is from Provo CDBG Grant Funds



# **Recommended Action**

## **(by roll call)**

Motion to approve R2022-08-01  
Resolution Authorizing Execution of Supplement 2 to an Interlocal  
Cooperation Agreement with Provo City for the Provo Pedestrian Bridge  
as part of the TIGER First/Last Mile Program, as presented



# Service and Fare Approvals



# **Service Agreement: Complimentary Service for Brigham City Peach Days (Box Elder Chamber of Commerce)**

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## **Recommended Action (by acclamation)**

Motion to approve the service agreement for complimentary service for Brigham City Peach Days with Box Elder Chamber of Commerce, as presented



# Budget and Other Approvals





# **TBA2022-08-01 – Technical Budget Adjustment – 2022 Capital Budget**



# Summary of Budget Request

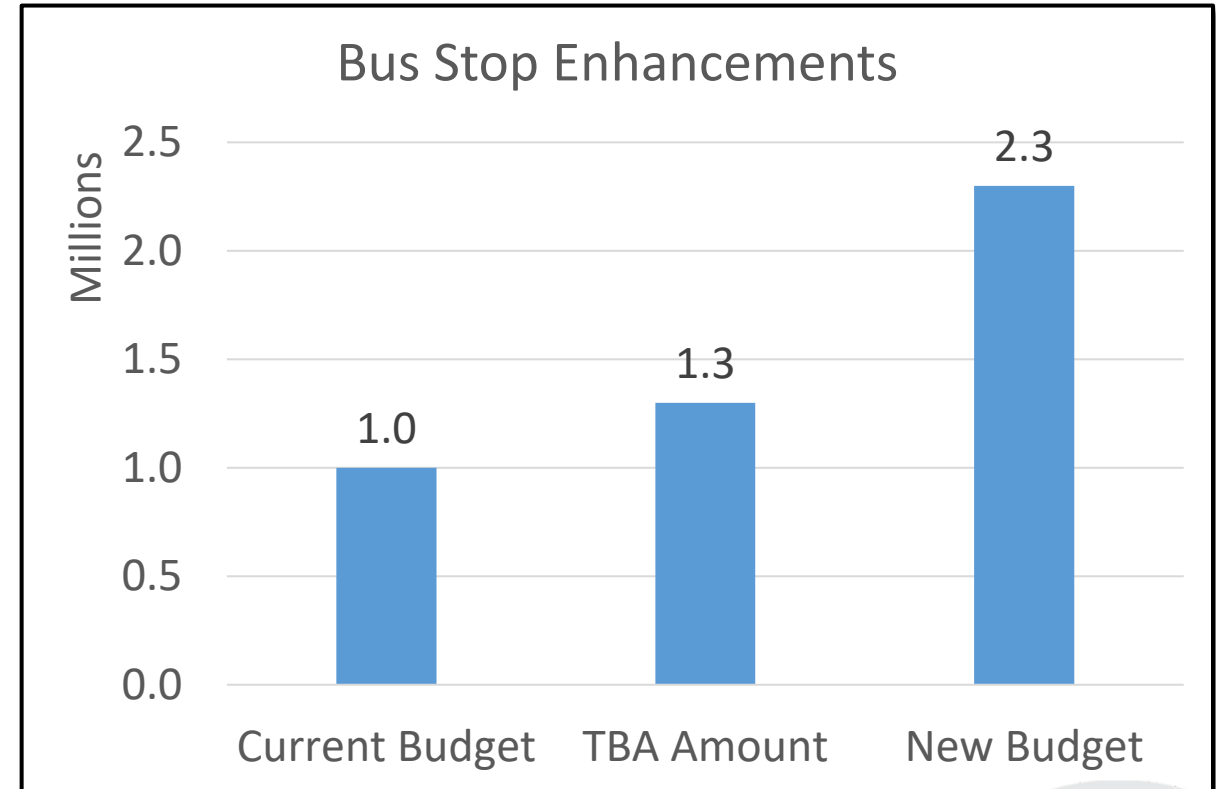
Request seeks to:

- Transfer \$4.01 million from Partnership Projects and Contingency to various projects
  - \$2.3 million from Partnership Projects to
    - SGR407 Bus Stop Enhancements- \$1.3 M
    - MSP205 TIGER Project- \$1.0 M
  - Transfer \$1.71 million from Contingency to various projects
    - REV211- Bus Replacement- \$720 K
    - FMA645- Camera Sustainability- \$50K
    - MSP122- PTC Project- \$800K
    - MSP210- Bike Racks on FrontRunner- (144K from Contingency, 296K from previous Carryover Authority)



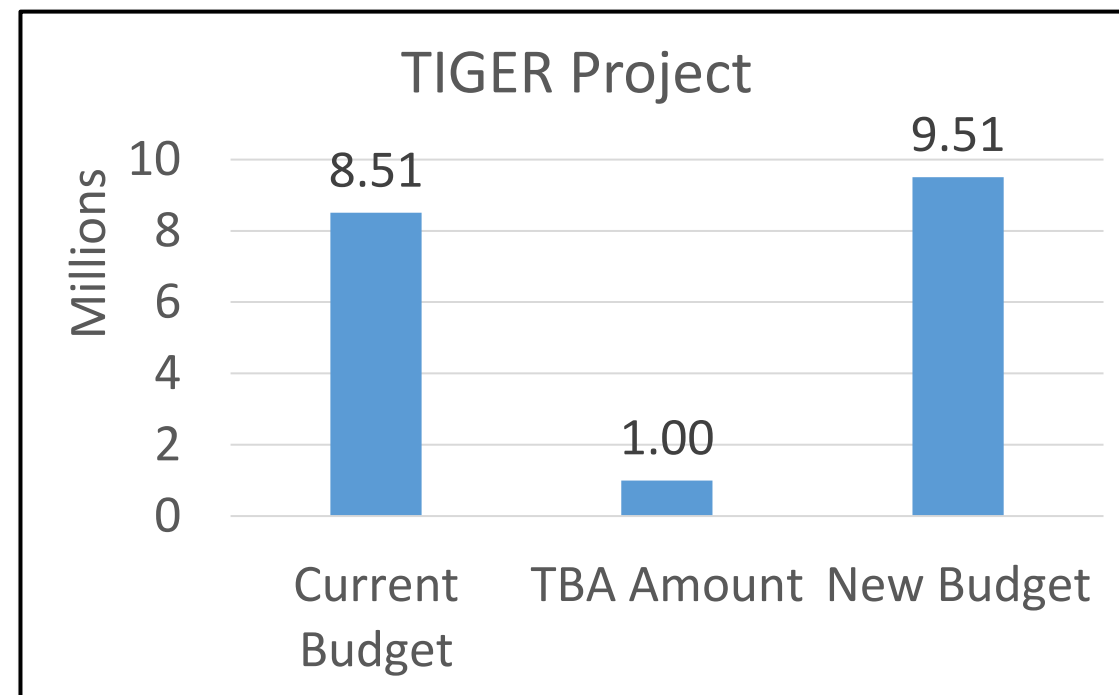
# SGR407- Bus Stop Enhancements

- Request transfer \$1.3 M from Partnership Projects to the Bus Stop Enhancement Project
  - New 2022 total budget is \$2,300,000
- Request is due to partnering effort with Salt Lake City on the 200 South improvement project
- Leaves MSP273 Partnership Projects with a balance of \$8.4 M



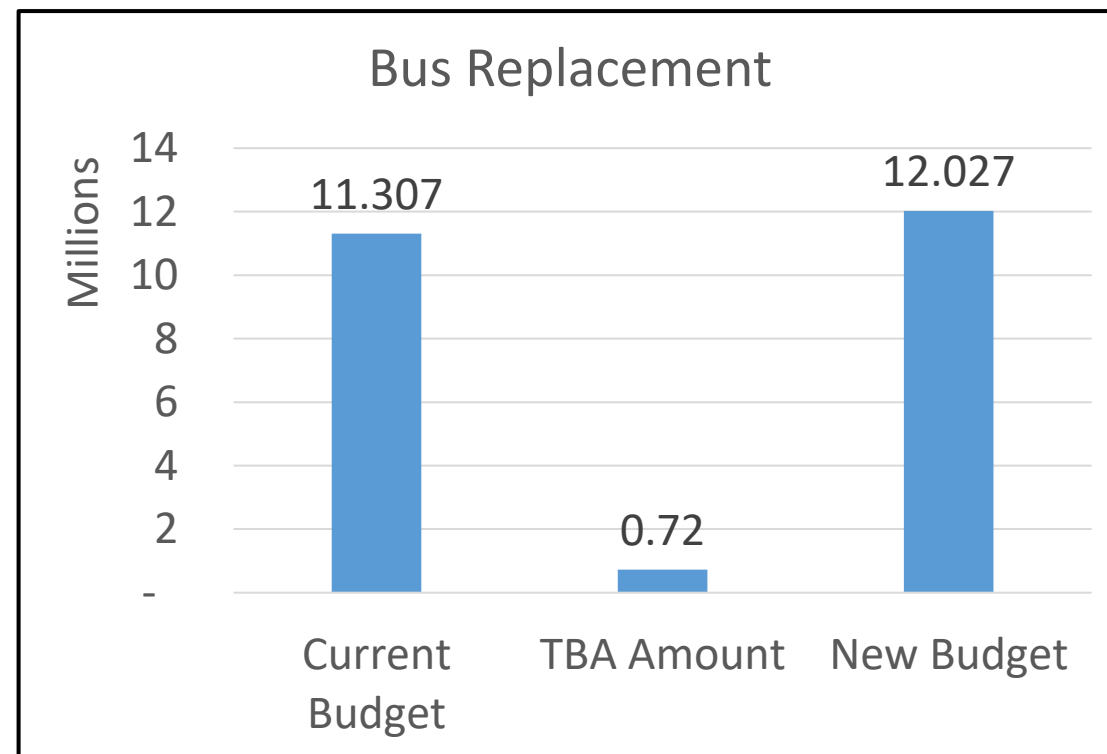
# MSP205- TIGER Program

- Execute funding supplement of \$3.5M to the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement with Provo City
- Complete Phase 2 of Provo Pedestrian Bridge
- Adds \$1M from Public Partnership funds to project
- Budget increases from \$8.51 M to \$9.51 M
- Leaves Partnership fund balance at \$7.4 M



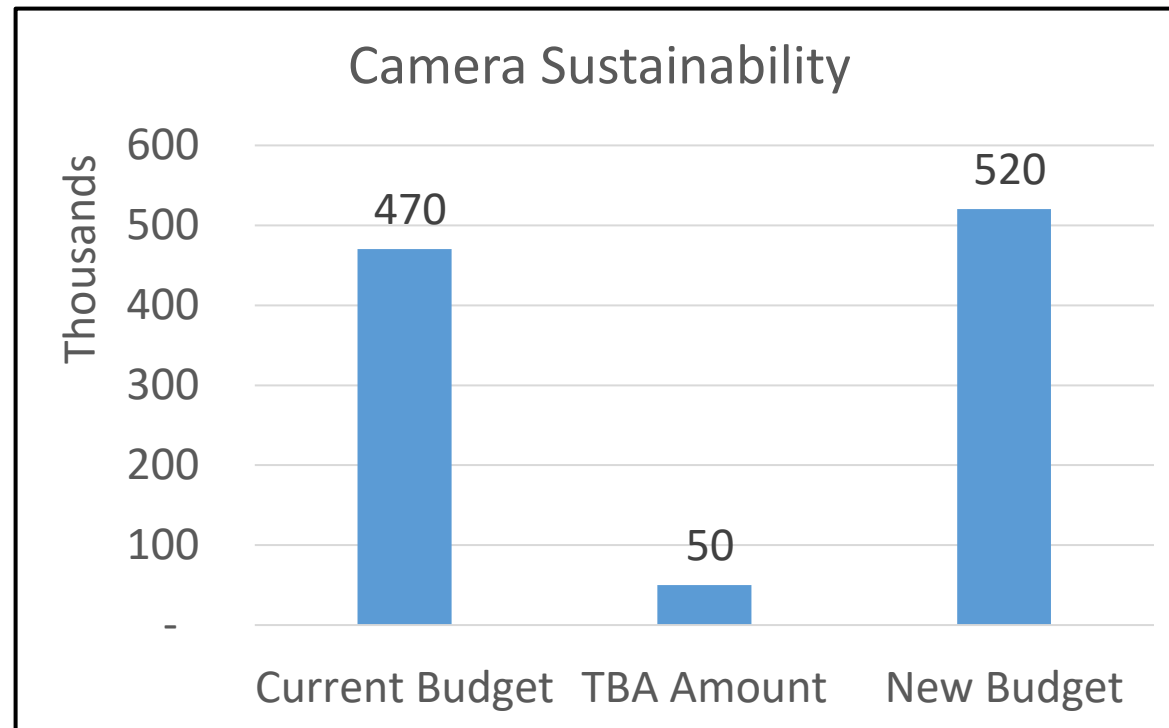
## REV211- Bus Replacement

- Request is to add \$720K from Contingency to REV211
  - Increases 2022 budget from \$11.31 M to \$12.03 M
- Request is due to manufacturing cost increases



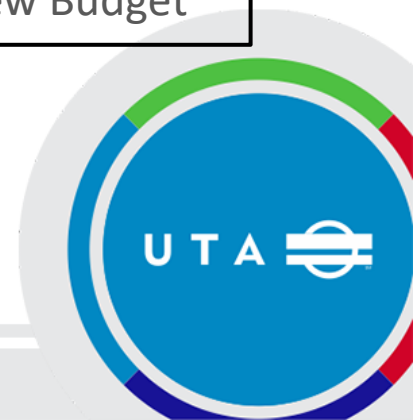
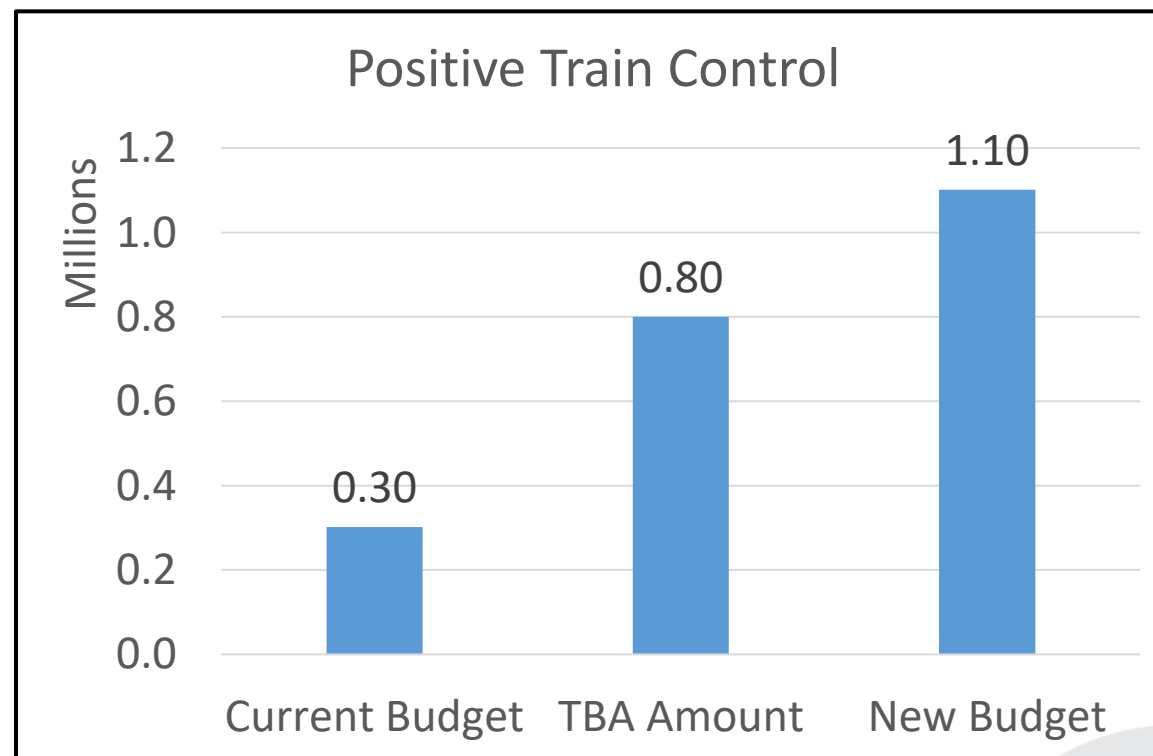
## FMA645- Camera Sustainability

- Request is to add \$50K to the project from Contingency funds
  - Increases budget from \$470K to \$520K
- Increase is due to an unforeseen repair needed at the American Fork FrontRunner station



## MSP122- Positive Train Control

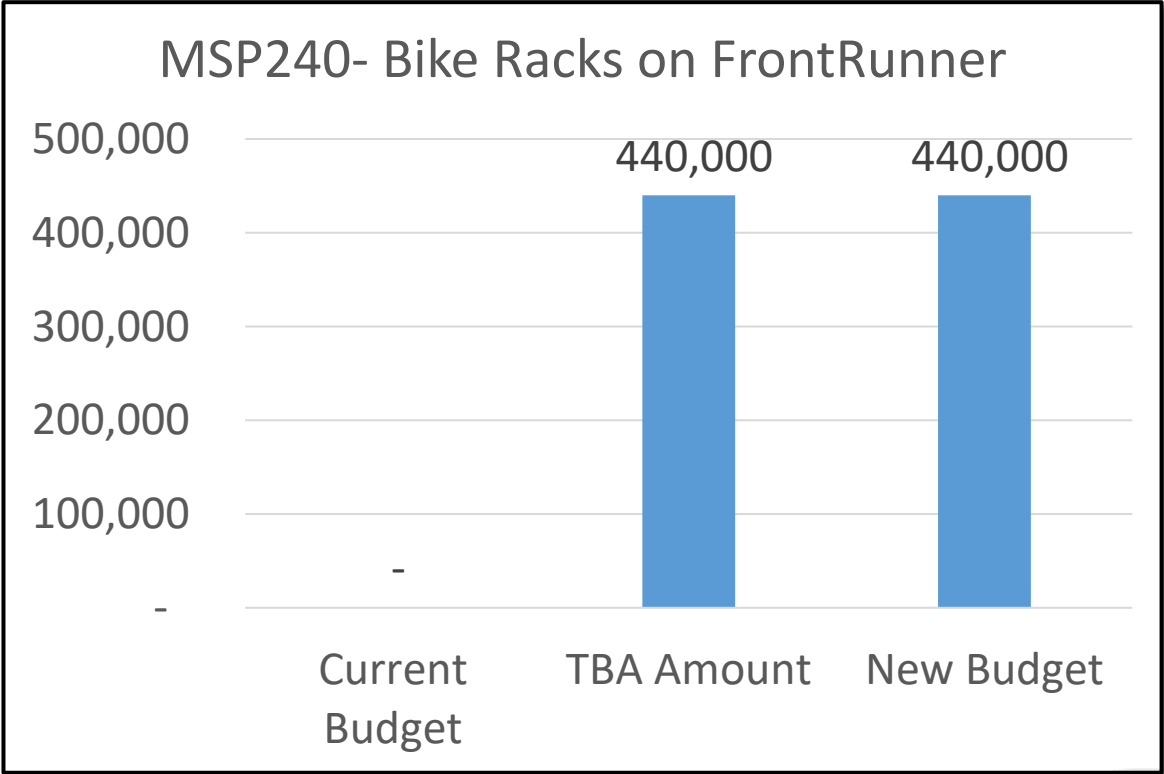
- Project seeks to transfer \$800,000 from Contingency to MSP122
  - Seeks to remedy two items:
    - Unpaid invoice from 2021
    - Cover remaining obligations through end of the year



# MSP210- Update Bike Racks on FrontRunner

Request seeks to add funding to advance 2021 project overlooked in the Carryforward Process

- Project seeks to transfer \$144,000 from Contingency to MSP210
- Recognizes \$296,000 in 2021 carryforward authority
- Resulting 2022 budget authority is \$440,000





## Remaining Contingency and Partnership Funds

- Leaves the Contingency Project (MSP999) with balance of \$2.346 M after transfers
- Leaves the Partnership Project (MSP273) with a balance of \$7.4 million after transfers



# Questions



# **Technical Budget Adjustment: TBA2022-08-01– 2022 Capital Budget**

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## **Recommended Action (by acclamation)**

Motion to approve TBA2022-08-01 Technical Budget Adjustment  
– 2022 Capital Budget, as presented



# Contracts, Disbursements, and Grants



# **Contract: Technical Assistance to Governments Program Cooperative Agreement (Mountainland Association of Governments – MAG)**

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## **Recommended Action (by acclamation)**

Motion to approve the contract with Mountainland Association of Governments for Technical Assistance to Governments Program Cooperative Agreement, as presented



# **Change Order: Cooperative Transportation Planning Agreement Amendment No. 1 (Wasatch Front Regional Council – WFRC)**

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## **Recommended Action (by acclamation)**

Motion to approve the Cooperative Transportation Planning Agreement Amendment No. 1 with Wasatch Front Regional Council, as presented



# Discussion Items



# Zero Fare Transit Study Overview







August 2022

# Regional Zero-Fare Study

**UTA Board of Trustees Update**

Presented by:  
Julie Bjornstad (WFRC)



# Study Context

- Regional Zero-Fare Study kicked-off in June 2022
- Project team: WFRC, MAG, UTA, UDOT, and consultant team led by Nelson\Nygaard
- Free Fare February: Positive outcomes related to ridership, safety, customer experience, and funding support
- Largest public and policymaker zero-fare concerns are related to funding and safety



*Photo Source: Jeffrey D. Allred via Deseret News*

# Study Goals



**Evaluate the operational, financial, and community effects** of zero-fare transit



**Gauge transit values of stakeholders** from across the service area



**Provide guidance around replacement funding** for lost fare revenue



**Objectively inform decision making processes** around the future of zero-fare transit

# Study Timeline



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- Review UTA financial trends, rider profile, fare policy, and fare usage
- Complete literature review and produce case studies

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## **Zero-Fare Evaluation** (August to October)

- Identify zero-fare alternatives (e.g., systemwide, select services, select riders)
- Evaluate operational, financial, and community effects



## **Trade-Offs** (October to November)

- Inform decisionmakers on the trade-offs of zero-fare alternatives



## **Final Documentation** (November to December)

- Produce final report
- Deliver final presentation

**Stakeholder Engagement**  
(August to October)



# In Progress

- **Existing conditions analysis**
  - Review of UTA financial trends, rider profile, fare policy, and fare usage
- **State of the practice**
  - Complete literature review
  - Produce three case studies for agencies that have evaluated zero-fare
    - Sun Tran (Tucson, AZ)
    - METRO (Houston, TX)
    - KCATA (Kansas City, MO)
- **Stakeholder engagement**
  - Interview 12 “key persons”
  - Update policymakers and community member groups on study progress



Photo Source: Al Hartmann via Salt Lake Tribune



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**NEXT  
STEPS**

**Stakeholder Engagement**  
(August to October)



# Thank you!

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# Other Business

- a. Next Meeting: Wednesday, September 14, 2022, at 9:00 a.m.





# Closed Session

- Strategy Session to Discuss Pending or Reasonably Imminent Litigation



# **Recommended Action**

## **(by acclamation)**

Motion to move to closed session to discuss Pending or Reasonably Imminent Litigation



# Closed Session



# Open Session



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