#### **UTAH INFRASTRUCTURE AGENCY (UIA)**

BOARD MEETING MINUTES FEBRUARY 10, 2025 8:30 AM

UTOPIA FIBER OFFICES 5858 SOUTH 900 EAST MURRAY, UTAH 84121

#### **Board Members Present:**

#### **Board Members Joining Electronically:** Derek Oyler - Brigham City, Chair Brant Hanson - Centerville City, First Vice Chair Brenda Moore – Murray City, Second Vice Chair Zach Bloxham - Layton City, Third Vice Chair John Flores – West Valley City Nate Rockwood – Midvale City Mayor Carolyn Lundberg – Lindon City Brenn Bybee – Orem City **Board Members Absent:** Brett Christensen - Payson City Jason Sant – Alternate, Payson City **Officers Present:** Roger Timmerman – UIA Chief Executive Officer Jason Roberts – UIA Secretary/Treasurer Nicole Cottle – UIA General Counsel **Others Present:** Christa Evans – UTOPIA Board Secretary Jeff Erwin - UTOPIA Chief Operations Officer Blaine Clegg – UTOPIA IT Manager Laura King - UTOPIA Chief Project Officer **Others Joining Electronically:** Aaron Leach – UTOPIA Chief Technology Officer Jarett Waite - Councilmember, Santa Clara City Laura Lewis - Financial Advisor, Lewis Robertson & Burningham Ben Bailey – Auditor, Keddington & Christensen

#### 1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

The UIA Board of Directors held a board meeting on Monday, February 10, 2025. The meeting was live streamed to allow public viewing. UIA Chair Derek Oyler (Brigham City) called the meeting to order at 8:46 AM and welcomed all attendees.

UIA Total Votes Present: 420 UIA Majority Vote: 220

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UIA 2/3 Vote: 293

# 2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – DECEMBER 9, 2024

- LINK: Substance of matters proposed, discussed or decided
- There were no changes to the minutes presented

ACTION: Brenda Moore (Murray City) MOVED to approve the minutes from the UIA Board Meeting held December 9, 2024. Carolyn Lundberg (Lindon City) SECONDED the motion. A voice vote was taken - vote was unanimous.

# 3. ELECTION OF 2025 UIA BOARD OFFICERS

- LINK: Substance of matters proposed, discussed or decided
- Mr. Oyler presented this item
- The following nominations were made: Chair Derek Oyler (Brigham City), 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chair Brant Hanson (Centerville City), 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chair Brenda Moore (Murray City) & 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice Chair Zach Bloxham (Layton City)

ACTION: Brant Hanson (Centerville City) MOVED to approve the 2025 UTOPIA Board Leadership as follows: Chair – Derek Oyler (Brigham City), 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chair – Brant Hanson (Centerville City), 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chair – Brenda Moore (Murray City) & 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice Chair – Zach Bloxham (Layton City). Brenda Moore (Murray City) SECONDED the motion. A roll call vote was taken - vote was unanimous.

# 4. DISCUSSION OF UIA POLICIES

- LINK: Substance of matters proposed, discussed or decided
- Item presented by Mr. Jason Roberts, UIA Secretary/Treasurer
- Ms. Nicole Cottle aided in drafting after reviewing similar policies of several UIA member cities and curating them to function effectively for UIA
- Written policies to increase Fraud Risk Assessment Score:
  - Reporting Fraud & Abuse Policy
    - Fraud can be reported to multiple people
    - Investigation and resolution procedures
    - Periodic training for employees
    - There is currently a link on the website to the fraud reporting hotline
  - Cash Receipting & Deposits
    - UIA is significantly different from cities regarding cash, very rare to receive cash payments
  - Credit & Purchasing Card Policy
    - Similar to cities
    - Prohibited: personal purchases, cash advances or withdrawals & alcohol, tobacco, and any other non-business-related items

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- Monthly reconciliation and supervisor approval
- Questions regarding capability to download transactions directly to General Ledger – separate person in system that ensures no changes have been made from what was downloaded
- Applications required for all needing a P-Card Mr. Roberts committed to add that to internal procedures
- Rewards Programs Process –cash back is put back into the funds of UTOPIA and added to the budgeting process, no cardholders have access to the cash back funds
- Statement of Ethical Behavior will be sent to all board members and employees to sign which will increase fraud risk assessment score
  - Add that State Auditor training has been completed

ACTION: Brenn Bybee (Orem City) MOVED to approve the UIA policies presented – Reporting Fraud & Abuse, Cash Receipting & Deposits and Credit & Purchasing Card Policy. Zach Bloxham (Layton City) SECONDED the motion. A voice vote was taken - vote was unanimous.

# 5. <u>UIA FINANCIAL AUDIT FY2024</u>

- LINK: Substance of matters proposed, discussed or decided
- Item presented by Mr. Jason Roberts, UIA Secretary/Treasurer & Ben Bailey, Auditor with Keddington & Christensen
- Financial Highlights:
  - Average monthly recurring revenue increased by 18.3%
  - Number of subscribers on UIA/UTOPIA network increased by 13.1%
  - Operating Revenue increased by 18.2%
  - Added \$67.2 million to fixed assets
  - Cash Reserves adequate to cover 0.9 years of operating expense less depreciation
- Financials of UIA were audited to obtain reasonable assurance, clean opinion
- No issues with UIA internal controls or State Compliance
- UIA has reliable accounting systems and sound accounting policies

# 6. UIA FINANCIAL UPDATE

- LINK: Substance of matters proposed, discussed or decided
- Item presented by Mr. Jason Roberts, UIA Secretary/Treasurer
- Projected budget vs. adopted budget as of December 31, 2024
  - Difference in projections vs. budgeted is mostly due to timing in the year
- Financial charts
  - 10 Year Monthly Recurring Revenue (Combined UIA & UTOPIA)
  - UIA Revenue v. Bond Obligation
    - Gap between bond payments and revenue continues to widen

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### 7. UIA NETWORK UPDATE

- LINK: Substance of matters proposed, discussed or decided
- Item presented by Mr. Roger Timmerman, UIA Chief Executive Officer
- Reviewed subscriber report
  - o Generally, things are slow in January and February
  - Correction made to how addresses are reported which caused an increase in take rate
- Legislative Impact a few bills may affect UIA, but he believes they will not have a large negative impact
- Mr. Jeff Erwin, UTOPIA Chief Operations Officer, provided a network usage report and was pleased to share there were no issues during the large usage event from the Superbowl
- Door to Door Sales going well in West Valley City. Mr. Erwin provided data related to the effectiveness of the effort.

# 8. ADJOURN

• LINK: Substance of matters proposed, discussed or decided

There being no further business of the UIA Board of Directors, the meeting held on Monday, February 10, 2025, adjourned at 9:34 AM.

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and accurate record of the proceedings of this meeting of the UIA Board of Directors.

Jason Roberts

Jason Roberts, UIA Secretary

Approved this 14<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2025