

Utah Inland Port Authority Board | 2020

Utah Inland Port Authority Board Meeting Minutes

Wednesday Dec 2 2020 – 3:00 p.m.

Electronic Meeting Held Via Zoom Pursuant to Executive Order 2020-5 and Utah Code Ann. § 52-4-207

Board Members Present: D. Gregg Buxton, Nicole Cottle, Derek Miller, Garth “Tooter” Ogden, Steve Prokopis, James Rogers, Rachel Otto, Ben Hart, Michael Jensen, Francis Gibson, Catherine Kanter

Board Members Absent:

Staff: Jack Hedge, Jill Flygare, Ginger Chinn, Taneesa Wright, Lynne Mayer, Stephen Smith

Others in attendance: Members of the public

A. Welcome

Chair James Rogers welcomed the board members, staff and public to this Utah Inland Port Authority Board meeting. Board Member Ogden moved to go into a closed meeting for a strategy session to discuss the purchase, exchange, or lease of real property because public discussion of the transaction would disclose the estimated value of the property under consideration or prevent the Inland Port from completing the transaction on the best possible terms. Board member Hart seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote

Gregg Buxton – absent
Nicole Cottle – absent
Francis Gibson – yes
Ben Hart – yes
Michael Jensen – absent
Derek Miller – yes
Garth Tooter Ogden – yes
Rachel Otto – yes
Steve Prokopis – yes
Catherine Kanter – absent
James Rogers – yes

The closed meeting was held virtually via zoom.

Chair James Rogers welcomed the board members, staff and public to the reconvened public Utah Inland Port Authority Board meeting (after the closed session) and read the following:

“Pursuant to section 52-4-207(4) Utah Code, the Chair made this written determination that conducting this meeting with an anchor location presents a substantial risk to the health and safety of those who may be present at the anchor location. This written determination is based on the current COVID-19 pandemic and the recommendation of health officials to avoid public gatherings.”

Action Item - Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes:

Board Member Jensen moved to approve the minutes of the September 16, 2020 board meeting. Board Member Ogden seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

Informational Item – Executive Director Report

The Executive Director provided a report to the board including how the UIPA fits into the global supply chain. Comments, questions and discussion from board were considered.

Informational Item - Partner Agency Update – Utah Association of Counties (UAC)

Stuart Clason, UAC Regional Economic Growth Manager and Patrick Mullen, UAC Opportunity Zone & Financial Incentives Director provided an update to the board on the satellite port data intake process. Comments, questions and discussion from board were considered.

Informational Item - Partner Agency Update – Governor’s Office of Economic Development (GOED)

Associate Managing Director of Corporate Recruitment for GOED, Thomas Wadsworth, provided an update to the board on the economic job status of the state and GOED’s mission. Comments, questions and discussion from board were considered.

B. Public Comment and Adjournment

Chair Rogers reviewed the Rules of Decorum, public comment and procedures for usage of the zoom webinar commenting process. Comments from the public and board members were made and additional comments will be received on UIPA’s website, by phone or email. The meeting was then adjourned.



James Rogers, Chair