UTA Board of Trustees Public Hearing on the Authority's Tentative 2021 Budget

November 11, 2020



Call to Order and Opening Remarks



Safety First Minute



Budget Overview



2021 Key Budget Strategies

The 2021 Operating Budget was designed with the following strategies:

- Primary Goal: Fiscal Responsibility
- Maintain August 2020 baseline service levels
- Centralize budgets to improve clarity, ownership, and overall understanding of current state
- Repurpose funds between offices and departments to improve budget alignment with annual initiatives and support current and future agency needs.



2021 Key Budget Assumptions

- Operating Expenses:
 - Labor 2.64%
 - Fringe 3.87%
 - Parts 4.00%
 - Fuel:
 - Diesel \$2.25
 - Gasoline \$2.15
 - CNG DGE \$1.16
 - Other Expense 2%
- Revenues:
 - Sales Tax 5%
 - Passenger (42)%
 - CARES Act \$101.1M



Key Budget Changes in 2021: Service

- Service Adjustment: In 2021 UTA is planning to operate 91% of pre-COVID levels of service
 - In August 2020, UTA reintroduced a significant amount of service to the system. Service levels were determined based on ridership trends and projections, input from our riders, and a focus on supporting essentials workers and key areas across our system as the state of Utah began easing restrictions and returning businesses and schools/universities.
- \$6.5 million is proposed in this budget to fund emerging needs as the region continues to react to and recover from the pandemic.



Key Budget Changes in 2021: Operations Support & Admin

- Information Technology projects: Net increase of \$1.5M for equipment replacement and upgrades
- Increased training and support expense for Rail Maintenance Apprenticeship programs
- Increased contract services for additional Maintenance systems support of \$1.5M
- Repurposed and restructured within current staffing levels to maximize efficiency



Key Changes in 2021: FTE (Headcount)

Overall FTE Changes: 53.4 FTE decrease

Operations:

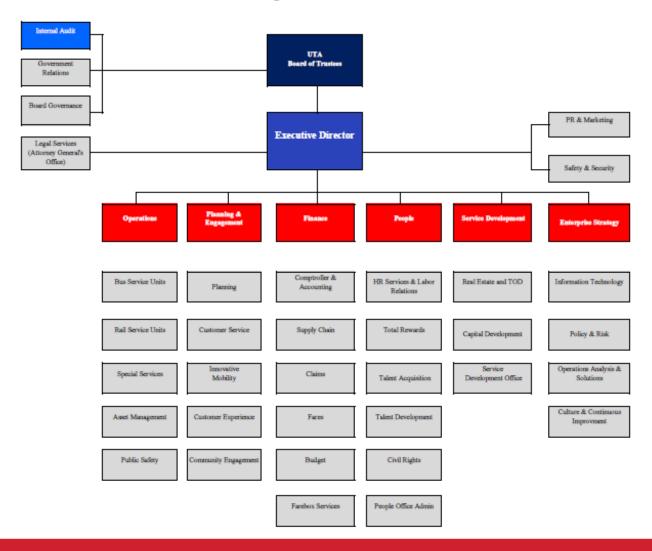
- Decrease overall of 33 FTE (primarily driven by fewer operators due to reduced service levels)
- Increase in Asset Management of 7 FTE
- Increase in Bus Maintenance of 12 FTE

Administrative:

- Decrease of 17.5 FTE for operator trainees in Talent Development
- Increase of 2 FTE in Operations Analysis & Solutions
- Increase of 1 FTE in Talent Development
- Increase of 1 FTE in Enterprise Strategy



Organizational Chart



2021 UTA Operating Budget Expenses by Mode

	FY 2020 Budget	FY 2021 Budget	Change
Bus	\$108,868,992	\$107,925,104	\$(943,888)
Light Rail	52,208,951	55,404,928	3,195,977
Commuter Rail	30,711,342	28,920,873	(1,790,469)
Paratransit	24,887,147	24,111,761	(775,386)
Rideshare/Vanpool	3,298,190	3,644,685	346,495
Operations Support	50,353,076	53,454,084	3,101,008
Administration	38,081,502	40,112,853	2,031,351
Planning/Capital			
Support ¹	6,443,876	6,393,224	(50,652)
Non-Departmental ²	1,632,924	6,562,491	4,929,567
Total Division	\$316,486,000	\$326,530,000	\$10,044,000

¹ Planning/Capital Support is comprised of Planning, Capital Development & Real Estate

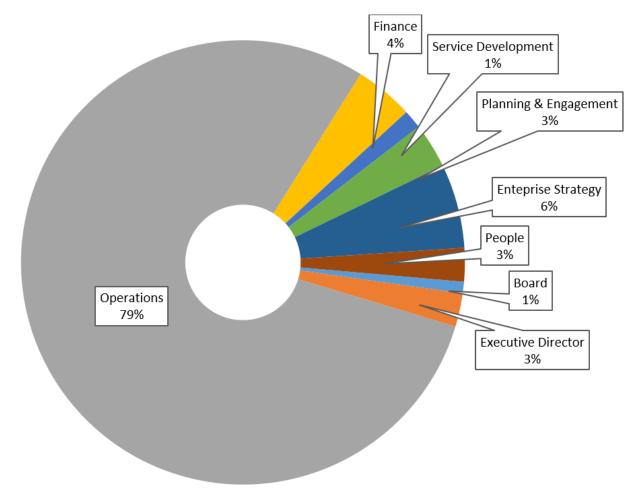




² Non-Departmental contains funds for emerging needs as the region continues to react to and recover from the pandemic

2021 Utah Transit Authority Operating Budget

\$326.5 million



2021 UTA Operating Budget Expenses by Category

	FY2020 Budget	FY 2021 Budget	% Change
Wages	\$157,322,390	\$158,310,407	0.6%
Fringe	73,460,319	75,251,668	2.4%
Services	27,511,998	31,470,240	14.4%
Fuel	20,281,070	15,874,843	(21.7)%
Parts	19,734,825	20,694,821	4.9%
Utilities	11,977,462	12,025,731	0.4%
Other O&M	17,452,984	22,233,919	27.4%
Capitalized Costs	(11,255,047)	(9,331,626)	17.1%
Total Budget	\$316,486,001	\$326,530,003	3.2%

UTA FTE Summary 2020 Budget and 2021 Proposed Budget

		•	Change
Board	14.0	13.5	(0.5)
Executive Director	39.5	37.5	(2.0)
Operations	2,258.7	2,225.7	(33.0)
Finance	109.0	105.1	(3.9)
Service Development	31.0	32.0	1.0
Planning & Engagement	71.5	71.5	0.0
Enterprise Strategy	97.5	104.0	6.5
People Office	79.7	58.2	(21.5)
Totals	2,701.0	2,648.5	(53.4)

Change from Sept. Draft Capital Budget to Tentative Capital Budget

	Draft Capital Budget	Tentative Capital Budget	Change
Safety & Security	\$0.8M	\$1.0M	\$0.2M
Asset Management (SGR)	76.2M	61.6M	(14.6M)
Depot District	32.4M	32.4M	-
Ogden/WSU	52.6M	52.6M	-
Airport Trax Station	7.0M	7.0M	-
TIGER First/Last Mile Projects	13.2M	13.2M	-
Northern Utah Double Track	9.0M	9.0M	-
Information Technology	16.1M	16.1M	-
Other Capital Projects	71.5M	62.7M	(8.8M)
Total Other Capital Expense Budget	\$278.7M	\$255.6M	(\$23.1M)



Next Steps



- November 4, 2020
 - Approve Tentative Budget and Set Public Hearing



- November 10, 2020
 - Virtual Public Meeting
- November 11, 2020
 - Public Hearing
- November 18, 2020
 - Local Advisory Council
- December 9, 2020
 - Final Budget Presented
- December 16th, 2020
 - Approve Final Budget



Previously Received Public Comment



In-Person Public Comment

All comments received will be included in the official public involvement report



More Information

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