

# Advisory Council of the Utah Transit Authority

November 20, 2019



# Call to Order and Opening Remarks



# Pledge of Allegiance



# Safety First Minute



# Housekeeping is Safekeeping



# Public Comment Period



# Public Comment Guidelines

- Each comment will be limited to two minutes per citizen or five minutes per group representative
- No handouts allowed



# **Approval of September 25, 2019 Advisory Council Meeting Minutes**



# Recommended Action (by acclamation)

Motion to approve



# Board of Trustees Report



# Agency Report

- a. Bond Refunding and New Money Issuance
- b. VIA Launch Event



# Audit Committee Report



# Advisory Council Chair Report

- a. Local Advisory Council Duties and Responsibilities, 2019 Outcomes, and 2020 Activities



# Local Advisory Council 2019 Outcomes

## Meeting Responsibilities

- ❖ Local Advisory Council met in 7 open and public meetings during 2019

## Decision Authority

- ❖ Authorized a 401(a) employer-paid defined contribution plan, in lieu of a defined benefit plan, for the Board of Trustees (3/20/2019)
- ❖ Set the Board of Trustees compensation at \$140,000 annually (9/25/2019)

## Audit Committee

- ❖ Chair Jeff Acerson and Vice-Chair Troy Walker served on the Agency's bi-monthly UTA Audit Committee



# Local Advisory Council 2019 Outcomes

## Advisory Responsibilities:

### ▪ Service Plans

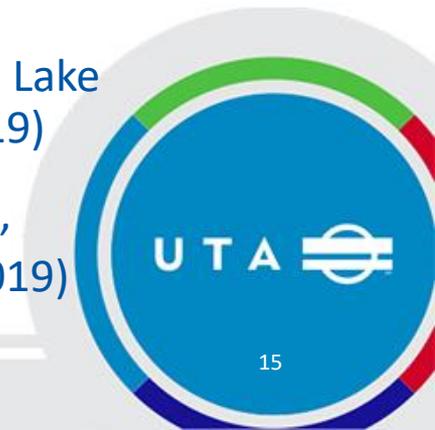
- ❖ Consulted on Service Choices Study (7/17/2019)

### ▪ Capital Development Plans

- ❖ Discussed status of Ogden/Weber BRT (2/20/2019)
- ❖ Discussed status of MidValley Connector BRT (3/30/2019) and recommended approval of Locally Preferred Alternative (7/17/2019)
- ❖ Discussed Five Year Capital Plan (6/12/2019) and recommended adoption (9/25/2019)

### ▪ Transit Oriented Development Plans

- ❖ Reviewed and approved Station Area Plans for Clearfield, Salt Lake Central, Murray Central, and Provo Central Stations (2/20/2019)
- ❖ Reviewed and approved Station Area Plans for Ogden Central, Midvale TRAX, and West Jordan City Center Stations (3/20/2019)



# Local Advisory Council 2019 Outcomes

## Advisory Responsibilities:

### ■ Board Policies, Ordinances, Bylaws

- ❖ Consulted on new Bylaws and Board Policies including:  
TOD, Capital Projects, Service Planning, Ethics, Financial Management, Contract Authority and Procurement, Advertising and Naming, Fares and process for Establishing Policies (1/16/2019, 2/20/2019, 6/12/2019, 7/17/2019)

### ■ Annual Budgets & Issuance of Bonds

- ❖ Consulted on three 2019 budget amendments (6/12/2019, 7/17/2019, 9/25/2019) and on the development of the 2020 Tentative Budget (9/25/2019, 11/20/2019)
- ❖ Consulted on proposed bond refunding and new money issuance opportunity (9/25/2019)

### ■ Received reports and provided advice on topics of:

- Coordinated Mobility (3/20/2019), Safety and Security (6/12/2019), and provided ongoing advocacy for citizens in the service area



# Discussion: 2020 Local Advisory Council

*What would help us continue to meet our duties in 2020?*

- Service plans
- Capital development plans
- Transit-oriented development plans
- Board policies, ordinances and bylaws
- Annual budget and bond issuances
- Strategic plans
- Safety and security and coordination with local municipalities
- Coordinated mobility
- Constituent services and advocating for public concerns
- Audit Committee



**AR2019-11-01:**

**Resolution Setting 2020  
Advisory Council Meeting  
Schedule**



# Proposed 2020 Advisory Council Meeting Schedule

- Wednesday, February 19, 2020 at 1:00 p.m.
- Wednesday, May 27, 2020 at 1:00 p.m.
- Wednesday, September 16, 2020 at 1:00 p.m.
- Wednesday, November 11, 2020 at 1:00 p.m.



# Recommended Action (by acclamation)

Motion to recommend for approval:

AR2019-11-01: Resolution Setting 2020 Advisory Council Meeting  
Schedule

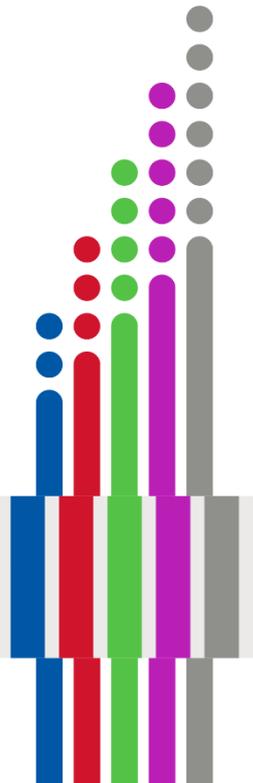


# Consultation

a. UTA Tentative 2020 Budget



# Tentative 2020 Budget Discussion



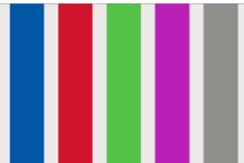
# Key Initiatives

- Strategic Planning for Sustainable Growth and Efficiency
- Aligning System Improvements and Expansions with Regional Growth to Meet the Transit Needs of Current and Future Generations
- Exploring Innovative Ways to Increase Mobility and Access
- Leadership Development and Workforce Succession Planning
- Service Implementation Influenced by the Service Choices Study
- Continued Emphasis on the UTA Customer Experience, Safety and Security



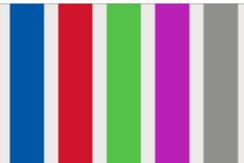
# Four Priorities of the Board of Trustees

- State and Legislative
  - Strengthen collaborative relationships
  - Follow the governance model
- Local
  - Foster conversations around achieving shared objectives, fulfilling community needs, economic development and strategic growth
- Public
  - Improve service and rider experience
  - Use Service Choices Study to guide future bus network changes
- Employee Relations
  - Empower and strengthen workforce
  - Increase employee engagement and continuous improvement



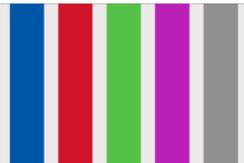
# Budget Highlights – Service Changes

- Adding frequency and extended hours for three core bus routes in Salt Lake City
- Designing Ogden/Weber State University BRT project
- Introducing microtransit pilot program in southwest Salt Lake County
- Relocating Airport TRAX station to the Airport's new terminals
- Adding double tracking in northern Utah County along with a new FrontRunner station.

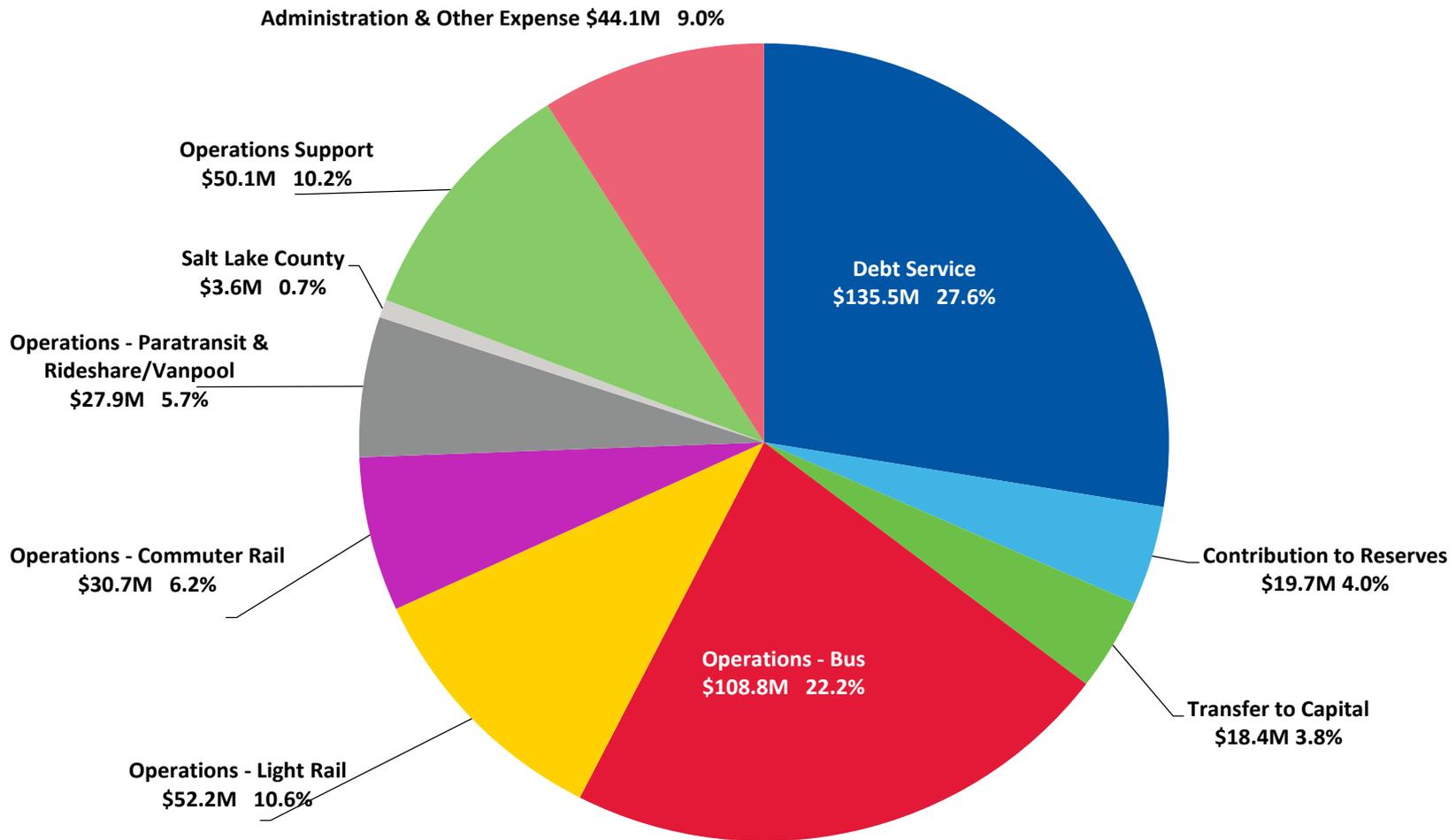


# Budget Highlights - Initiatives

- Dedicate \$59.9 million toward keeping infrastructure in a state of good repair
- Complete Services Choices Study
- Partner with communities to build and maintain new first-mile and last-mile options
- Replace Central bus facility with the Depot District Clean Fuels Technology Center
- Develop a comprehensive wayfinding and signage plan
- Prioritize workforce development
- Enhance customer and community communications



# Tentative 2020 Operating Budget Expense

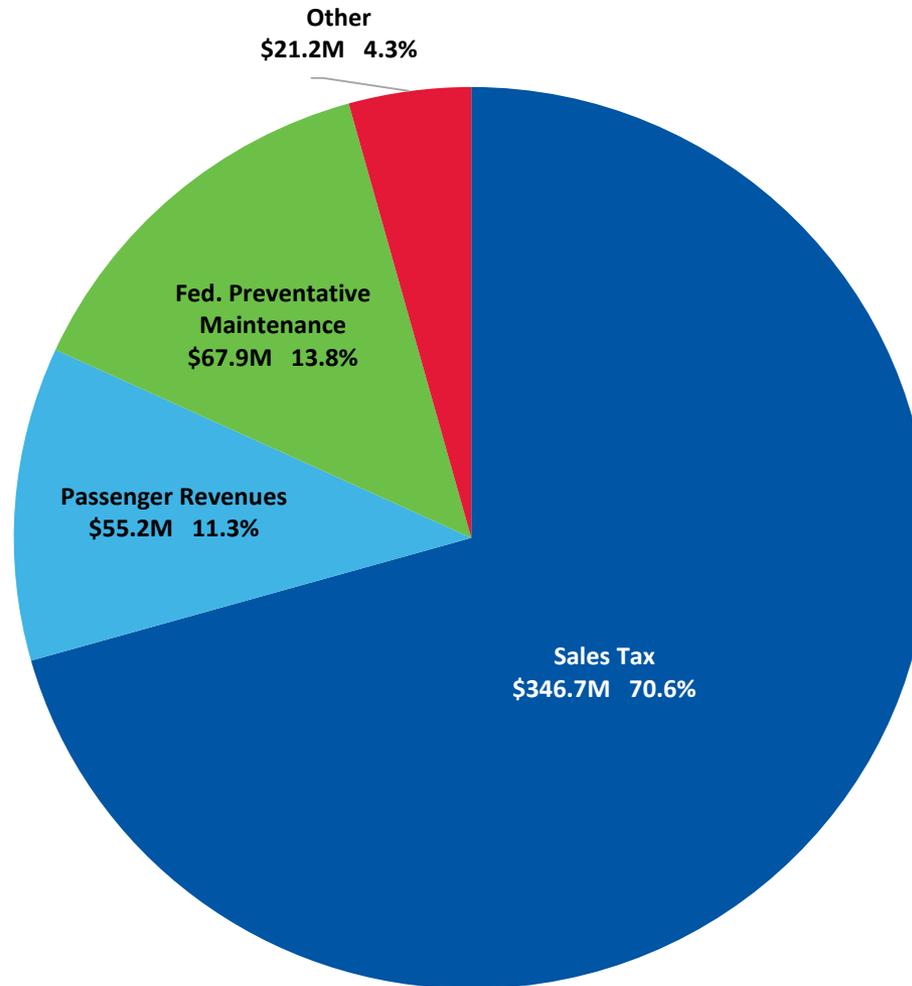


# Summary of Operating Expense Changes

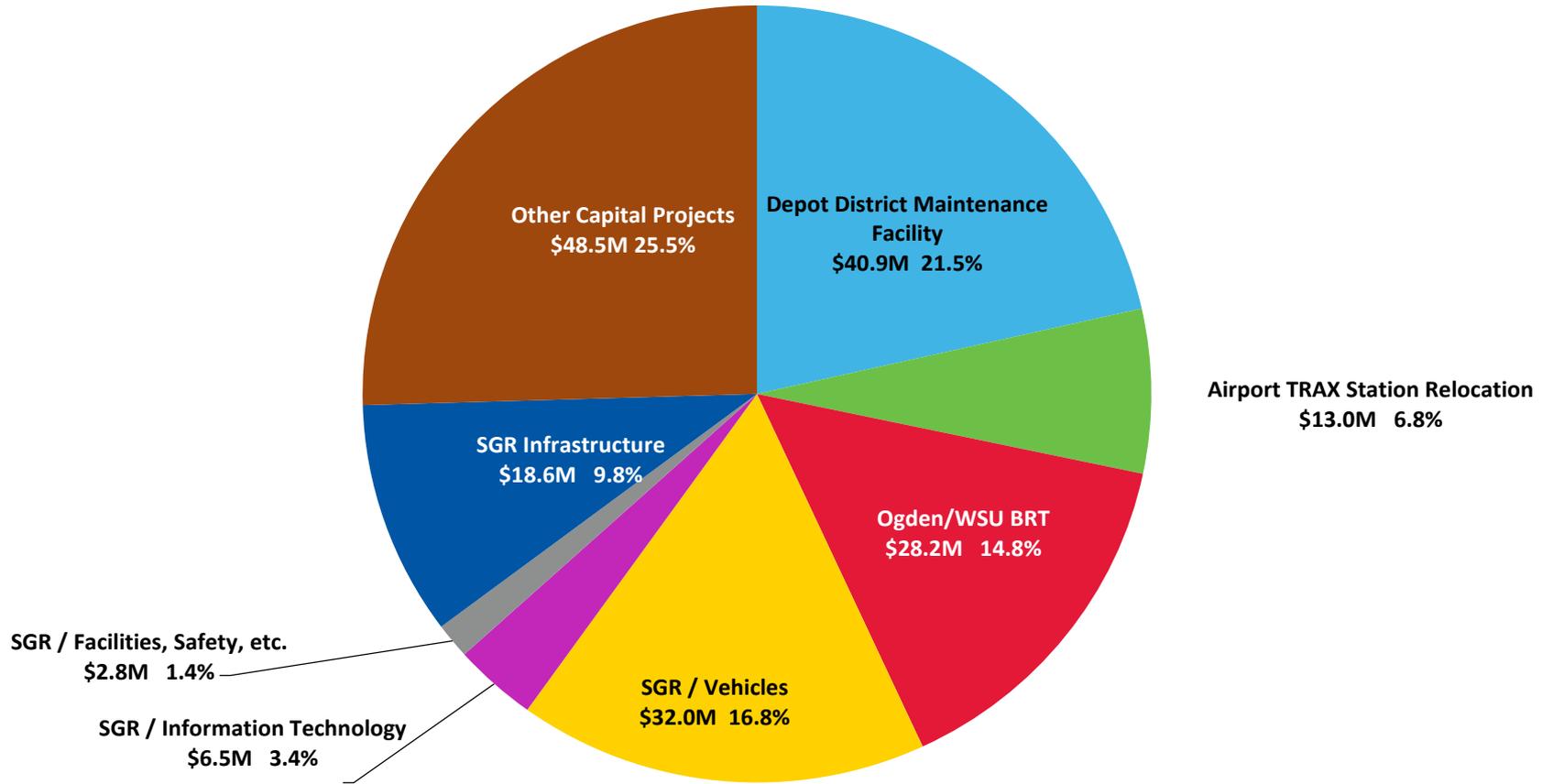
- Updated 2020 Wages and benefits
- Added three FTE in Commuter Rail Maintenance - \$251K
- Added one FTE in Civil Rights - \$110K
- Salt Lake Operations changes - \$76K
- Salt Lake Maintenance changes - \$73K
- Government Relations – Services - \$214K
- Board Coordination – Software - \$89K
- Reduce Legal Budget (outside legal services) – (\$300K)
- Updated debt service to reflect 2019 bonds



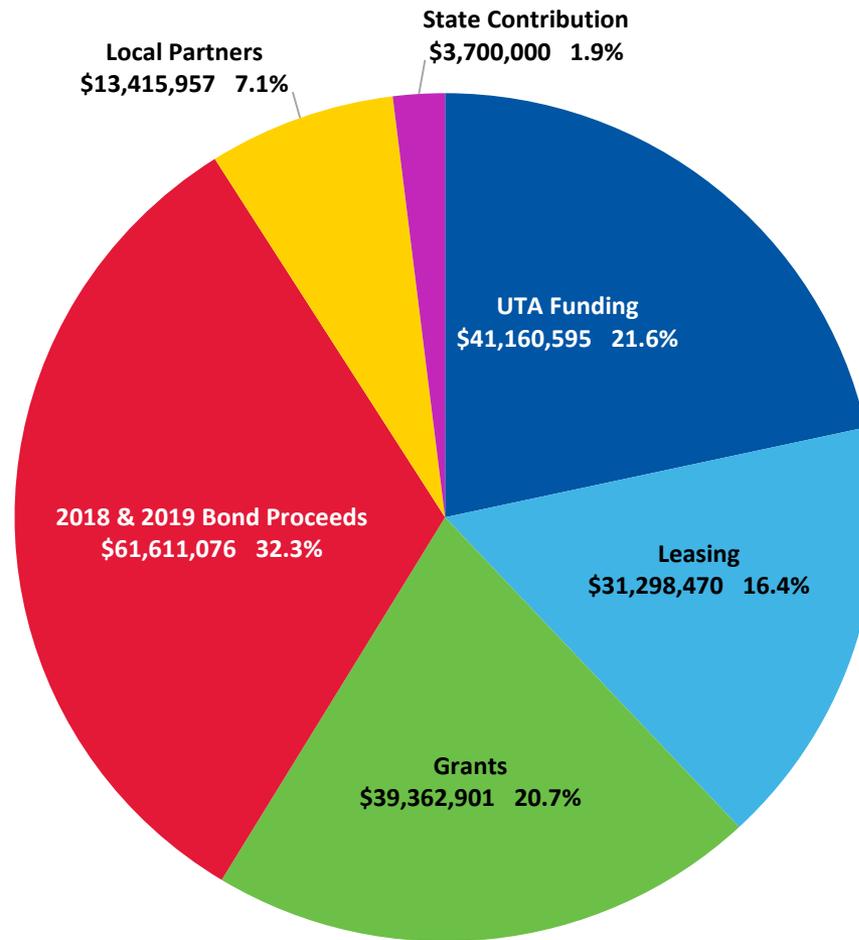
# Tentative 2020 Operating Budget Revenues



# Tentative 2020 Capital Budget - Expense

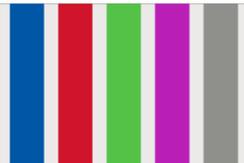


# Tentative 2020 Capital Budget Revenues



# Next Steps

- December 11, 2019
  - Final 2020 Budget Presented
- December 18, 2019
  - Approve Final 2020 Budget



# Recommended Action (by acclamation)

Motion to recommend for approval:  
UTA Tentative 2020 Budget



# Other Business

- a. Next Meeting: Wednesday, February 19, 2020 at 1:00 p.m.



# Adjourn

