

Date: February 15, 2024

THE SALT LAKE VALLEY LAW ENFORCEMENT SERVICE AREA BOARD OF TRUSTEES (“BOARD”) MET ON THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2024, AT 10:00 AM. THE PUBLIC WAS NOTIFIED THAT THEY MAY JOIN THE OPEN PORTIONS OF THE MEETING BY CALLING 1-720-707-2699 AND ENTERING MEETING ID 89624210951 AND PASSWORD 119591#. THE PUBLIC WAS ALLOWED TO LISTEN TO ALL OPEN PORTIONS OF THE MEETING. BOARD MEMBERS AND PERSONS PARTICIPATING BY PHONE OR ELECTRONICALLY WERE ABLE TO HEAR ALL DISCUSSIONS.

<u>Present:</u>	<u>Excused:</u>	<u>Attended Via Zoom:</u>
TRUSTEE JIM BRADLEY, SALT LAKE COUNTY		
TRUSTEE DAVID BREMS, EMIGRATION CANYON		
TRUSTEE ALAN PETERSON, KEARNS		
TRUSTEE PHILLIP CARDENAZ, WHITE CITY		
TRUSTEE STEVE PROKOPIS, MAGNA		
TRUSTEE DAVID OLSEN, COPPERTON		
TRUSTEE CAROLYN KEIGLEY, BRIGHTON		
TRUSTEE DEA THEODORE, SALT LAKE COUNTY		
TRUSTEE CHRIS STAVROS, SALT LAKE COUNTY		

ALSO ATTENDED:

SHERIFF ROSIE RIVERA, SLCO SHERIFF

CHIEF OF POLICE JASON MAZURAN, UPD CHIEF OF POLICE

RACHEL ANDERSON, SLVLESA LEGAL COUNSEL

### **Item #1-Call to Order**

**Trustee Prokopis called the meeting to order. A roll call vote for attendance was then conducted.**

### **Item #2-Public Comment**

**Action Requested:** None

**Discussion:** Trustee Prokopis asked if there were any members of the public who wished to address the Board. There were none.

### **Item #3-Approve Minutes for the January 18, 2024, Board Meeting.**

**Action Requested:** Motion, Second, and Vote.

**Discussion:** Trustee Prokopis asked if there were any comments on the minutes. There were none.

Trustee Cardenaz motioned to approve the minutes from the January 18, 2024, meeting.

Trustee Peterson seconded the motion.

All voted in favor; none opposed.

The minutes were approved.

### **Item #4-Present Fourth Quarter 2023 Report, Expenditures for the month of January 2024, and Other Financial Information, Including Update on TRAN Schedule.**

**Action Requested:** Motion, Second, and Vote.

**Discussion:** Richard Moon said they projected to use \$1.3 million of the fund balance in 2023 but we actually only used \$630,647.00. He said that is not audited yet but that is what it is looking like so far. That will bring their fund balance to about \$5.1 million. He asked if anyone had any questions on the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter report and no one did. He said he noticed when he was doing the expenditures for this month that he did not include the TRAN payment in the December payments but that was a December payment to pay off the TRAN. He said he has been talking with Zions and they are going to run out of funds by the end of March, so they are going to go forward and start the bidding process and then in March they will bring forth a Resolution for that.

Trustee Prokopis entertained a motion to approve the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter report and expenditures.

Trustee Peterson motioned to approve.

Trustee Brems seconded the motion.

All voted in favor; none opposed.

The fourth quarter report and expenditures were approved.

#### **Item #5- District Administrator Report.**

**Action Requested:** None.

**Discussion:** Rachel Anderson said she doesn't have anything new to bring for discussion that hasn't already been discussed before. The discussions have been going on concerning the interlocal about removing SLVLESA as a member, which she is comfortable with. They will have to end up having a separate payment arrangement agreement with UPD, but it doesn't bother her to not be an actual member of the UPD, because the cities that choose to sign on will be. The legislature is in session, but she hasn't seen anything concerning for SLVLESA.

Trustee Cardenas asked if Rachel knew what the open meetings act was.

Rachel said she didn't know off the top of her head, but she can get it.

She said that is all she has but we will keep going and making progress towards the transition. At this point, she is just waiting for each member to share their presentations and make their local level decisions.

#### **Item #6- Discussion Regarding Sheriff's Office Contract Models.**

**Potential Action Requested:** No Action Required.

**Discussion:** Sheriff Rivera said she wanted to go over this because after the presentations there have been a lot of questions. She wanted to talk about the contracting model and why the contract model is important, not just to them but to everyone as well. The Sheriff's Office model is a proven model, both state-wide and nationally. She said they have gone out to other Sheriff's offices, not just in the state of Utah, but also across the nation and tried to get examples of how they do contracting and/or interlocal. This year the Sheriff's Office will be celebrating their 175<sup>th</sup> year. With the Sheriff's Office, there is an existing infrastructure, and the County already owns the buildings. There are larger economies of scale. They will be retaining their specialized investigative units, some of those are countywide services, some are statutory. She said they talk about local control and currently they have the UPD Board, the SLVLESA Board, and you can also meet with the Sheriff or a representative. The way the contracting works is that it is more of a one-on-one with the Sheriff's Office to find out what your needs are. They are very focused on community policing, so they can bring ideas to the SLVLESA Board and as you know SLVLESA is in charge of your budget, so you would have to work amongst each other on your budget. She said she has a vested interest in serving all of the communities in Salt Lake County, whether or not they come with the Sheriff's Office, that is not going to change.

She said the way the contracting works is first you have to start negotiations. The Sheriff's office will answer your questions and they will be accountable to you and your individual entity and SLVLESA as a whole. They have to create their org charts based on the information they have at the time. If they want to add something they can, it's similar to an ala carte model. They will sit down with you and find out if it is financially possible long-term. Once it is approved, they will execute the contract, then they will renew or amend at the end of the contract.

Contracts included but are not limited to your leadership selection. When they choose which Captains are part of their organization, they do rigorous testing to determine the best person for the job.

Trustee Prokopis asked where Captain fits in with Precinct Chief, is it above, parallel or below.

Sheriff Rivera said it's parallel except for pay. They don't pay the same as Precinct Chief. It's part of their pay structure. What comes after Captain is Deputy Chief and Chief Deputy and those have already been selected. The Deputy Chief is basically running the organization, the law enforcement bureau, and the Chief Deputy oversees that piece.

She said there would be monthly meetings to discuss any questions or concerns.

With their staffing levels, they are looking at 24/7 coverage and any additional coverage that is needed in each individual community, they will have conversations and discuss what the financial impact is.

She said legally SLVLESA members can contract with multiple police service providers. However, multiple contracts reduce economies of scale and increase cost. She said she is statutorily required to provide service to unincorporated areas like the southwest and southeast islands. She said with this new legislation there will be some changes to some unincorporated areas, but they have to wait and see if it passes and what the impact will be.

She said if they can't meet the economies of scale, they will have to go back to SLVLESA and ask for money. She wants to put that out there because they want to be transparent.

Trustee Prokopis said he thinks residents in unincorporated today is about 14,000.

Sheriff Rivera said that does seem accurate.

She asked if there were any questions on her presentation.

Trustee Prokopis asked if there are Sheriffs who contract out some of their statutory responsibilities.

Sheriff Rivera said she doesn't know of any that do that but if he knows any Sheriff that does, she would be happy to speak with them. She said she just came back from the Sheriff's Association in D.C. last week and not one said they would ever give up statutory authority.

#### **Item #7- Discussion Regarding Revenues and Costs.**

**Action Requested:** None.

**Discussion:** Trustee Stavros said he is speaking to everyone today as a fellow SLVLESA board member. He said they have some critical decisions to make over the next few months that will affect everyone involved. He said he felt he needed to dig into the numbers to help make the best decision for everyone involved.

Trustee Stavros presented his SLVLESA funding spreadsheet. He said the first column shows the 2023 tax collected and it was \$24,586.00 but that does not include the tax increase that they did to bring them to the cap. He said a couple of things stick out to him when digging into these numbers. He said with the total UPD cost of \$26,375,000, that figure does not include services to the Southeast and Southwest islands and the projected costs to service the islands is an additional \$2.79 million. So, when you look at the total UPD costs, you are looking at over \$29 million. He said he looks at it like insurance, when the more members pay in, it drives the

cost down. He said his understanding is that if the decision ultimately is to stay with SLVLESA and the Sheriff, that those same services can be provided by the Sheriff for \$26.2 million and that includes servicing in the southeast and southwest islands. He said he thinks the reason the Sheriff can provide lower costs is due to economies of scale and efficiencies. He said that if SLVLESA decides to stay with the Sheriff, the Sheriff could build a budget going forward that can sustain the SLVLESA revenues. He said it's clear that the UPD total costs exceed the SLVLESA total revenues, even with the tax increase.

#### **Item #8- Update on the Unified Police Department.**

##### **Action Requested: None**

**Discussion:** Sheriff Rivera said there are things in the legislature they are keeping an eye on. There are two regarding SLVLESA, to the township bill to become cities or towns and then the unincorporated bill. They are monitoring those, and they may change some things with the unincorporated. It will change how much money SLLESA brings in. It's her understanding it will take a few years, but it will have an impact to SLVLESA.

She said Mayor Silvestrini reminded her that the metro mental health unit was invited to Millcreek to do a presentation and answer questions, like a panel event, where they invited Sgt Jodie Sampson to, and she said she would mention that in this meeting. She said it really helped his community because they have one of those temporary shelters, and the community was very concerned because it is the severely mentally ill that they are housing. The UPD Metro mental health and their secondary officers are dealing with individuals' day to day that are experiencing mental health crisis. He felt that the panel really helped the community and that their concerns were answered, and the Millcreek precinct could handle that facility.

Trustee Theodore asked if UPD is presenting to all the counsels right now.

Sheriff Rivera said yes, SLVLESA asked UPD and the Sheriff's Office to do presentations and some of them were the same night and they are trying to go out and do them. The Sheriff's side is done but she believes UPD still has to do White City and Emigration. She said for the most part she as the Sheriff is doing the presentations, with Chief Mazuran there to support her presentation. They have had the finance team there as well.

Trustee Theodore asked if there is any conflict with SLVLESA's financial team to do presentations for UPD, from a legal standpoint.

Rachel Anderson said it is not unheard of to have individuals serve in both positions, but they are in a really unique situation here. It is probably not ideal, but it would be so difficult to find someone new at this point is her perspective but if they do not feel comfortable with that, they can have a discussion.

UPD CFO Debbie Sanchez said what Richard Moon has been presenting is only the property taxes that they have received. The only time he had to present the budget is when they had to split with Brighton and another meeting at the same time.

#### **Item #9-Adjourn.**

Trustee Prokopis adjourned the meeting.