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DXTC Trades & Technology Building Project Design & Cost Update

January 9, 2026



Bottom Line Up Front

- The Board approved the DXTC Trades & Technology building non-dedicated capital project request for the upcoming 2026 Legislative Session pending review and approval of a final cost estimate.
- DFCM and DXTC have refined the project request and provided a final cost estimate for review and approval.

DXTC Trades & Technology Building

Cost Estimates Comparison

DXTC Trades and Technology Building	Original	Refined	<i>Difference</i>
Construction Cost	\$52,063,300	\$47,370,200	\$4,693,100
Soft Costs	\$14,736,700	\$12,620,200	\$2,116,500
Total Project Cost	\$66,800,000	\$59,990,400	\$6,809,600
Request for State Funding			
Previously Budgeted	-\$18,314,100	-\$18,314,100	
<i>Request for New State Funding¹</i>	<i>\$48,485,900</i>	<i>\$41,676,300</i>	<i>\$6,809,600</i>

¹GF/ITF state funding request of \$41,676,300 may be reduced to \$35,826,300 if base budget increases in the Technical College Capital Projects Fund are ultimately appropriated by the Legislature.

DXTC Trades & Technology Building

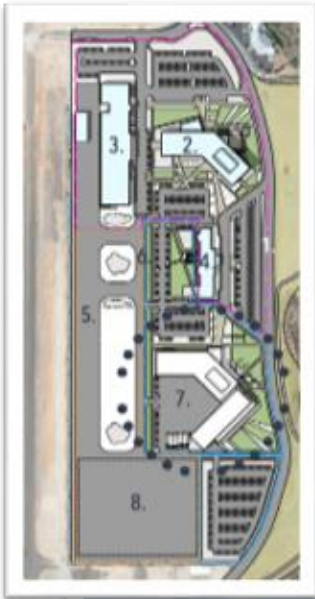
Notable Changes

- Design
 - Simpler nested configuration replaces C-shaped configuration.
- Structure
 - Use of tilt-up concrete panels reduces use of conventional steel framing.
- Mechanical & Electrical Systems
 - Evaporative cooling in labs rather than full air conditioning
- Programming
 - Reduction in administrative and diesel tech/heavy equipment spaces to accommodate addition of 50-bay welding lab and more space for apprenticeship and computer tech programs.

DXTC Trades & Technology Building

Site Plans

Original Proposal



Refined Proposal



Commissioner's Recommendation

The Commissioner recommends that the Board review and approve the updated Construction Budget Estimate and 2026 General Legislative Session budget request for the Dixie Technical College Trades & Technology Building.



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Motion – DXTC Trades & Technology Building

MOTION: I move that the Board approve the updated Construction Budget Estimate and 2026 General Legislative Session budget request for the Dixie Technical College Trades & Technology Building.



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SUU Request for the Acquisition of Real Property

January 9, 2026



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Bottom Line Up Front

- Board Policy R703 requires UBHE approval of all institutional real property acquisitions that commit institutional funds in excess of \$1.5 million.
- Southern Utah University is requesting Board approval for the purchase of 0.84 acres of property and the existing structure situated thereupon (“USDA Hangar”) for a price of \$3.25 million.

USDA Hangar

1223 N. Airport Road, Cedar City, UT

Overview

- To be utilized for School of Aviation for classroom, support, and office space.
- Consolidates the rotor wing program's 14 aircraft to a single location.

Aerial Photo (Subject Site Outlined with Blue)



USDA Hangar

1223 N. Airport Road, Cedar City, UT

Appraised Value

- \$3.3 million

Request

- Acquire the real property for \$3.25 million

SUU Board of Trustees approved this request on 12/05/2025



Commissioner's Recommendation

The Commissioner recommends that the Board review and approve Southern Utah University's request to purchase the USDA Hangar building and underlying 0.84 acres of property located at 1223 N. Airport Road in Cedar City, UT in accordance with Board Policy R703.



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Motion – SUU Real Property Acquisition

MOTION: I move to approve Southern Utah University's request to purchase the USDA Hangar building and underlying property as presented.



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UVU Vineyard Long-Term Ground Lease

January 9, 2026



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Bottom Line Up Front

- Board policy R712 requires UBHE approval for nontraditional lease arrangements.
- Utah Valley University is requesting Board approval to enter a nontraditional, long-term ground lease with the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

UVU Vineyard Long-Term Ground Lease

Background

- Vineyard
 - Immediately northwest of UVU's Orem campus
 - 2024 population >16,000
 - 2010 population = 139
 - Utah County is majority Latter-day Saint
- UVU owns approx. 225 acres in Vineyard
 - Planned as UVU's center for wellness, healthcare, and innovation.
 - dōTERRA Wolverine Training Dome at Geneva Fields

Request

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Commissioner's Recommendation

- The Commissioner recommends the Board approve Utah Valley University's request to enter a long-term ground lease with the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints conditional on meeting the requirements of Board Policy R712.



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Motion – UVU Vineyard Long-Term Ground Lease

MOTION: I move to approve Utah Valley University's request to enter into a non-traditional long-term ground lease as presented.



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