# Hilton Austin Airport

Information for Austin City Council - Audit and Finance Committee

City of Austin, Department of Aviation May 26, 2021



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### Introductions and Agenda

- Tracy Thompson, Esq. Airport Chief Officer, Administrative & External Affairs Interim Airport Chief Officer, Development Vice President, Austin-Bergstrom Landhost Enterprises, Inc. (ABLE)
- Rajeev Thomas Airport Deputy Chief Finance
- Agenda Hilton Hotel Resiliency Program Summary
  - RCA City Council Meeting June 3, 2021

     Approve amendment to ABLE's Bylaws
     Authorize negotiation and execution of Loan Agreement
  - Future Discussions Audit Finance Committee

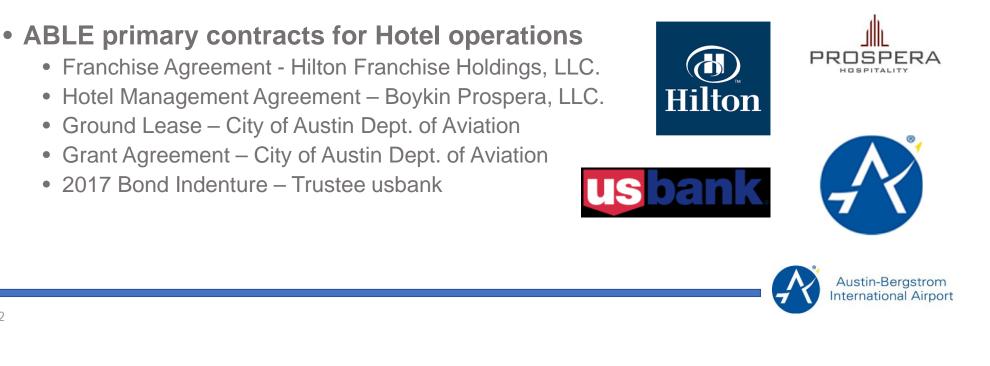




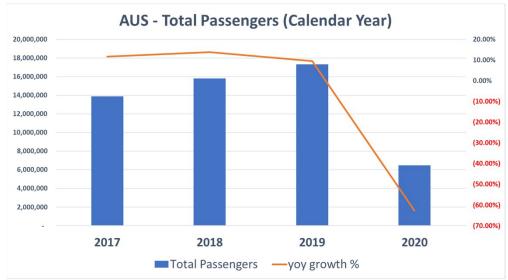
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## Hilton Austin Airport – Structure & Operations

- Austin-Bergstrom Landhost Enterprises, Inc. (ABLE)
  - Texas nonprofit public facility corporation created by City of Austin in 1998
  - Created to be the Issuer of tax exempt bonds to construct Hotel facility at AUS
- ABLE corporation operates the Hilton Austin Airport Hotel



### Hilton Austin Airport – COVID 19 Impact



#### Hilton Hotel occupancy dropped 60% in 2020

## AUS passengers dropped 63% in 2020



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#### • ABLE/Prospera reduced Corporate and Operating Expenses by 44%

- Reductions in staffing to match demand
- Renegotiation of contracts reductions in scope
- Postponed certain services and capital program
- Waiver of certain fees by Prospera
- Deferral of fees to Hilton (franchisor) and large vendors

#### • ABLE received PPP1 loan under CARES Act = \$907,555

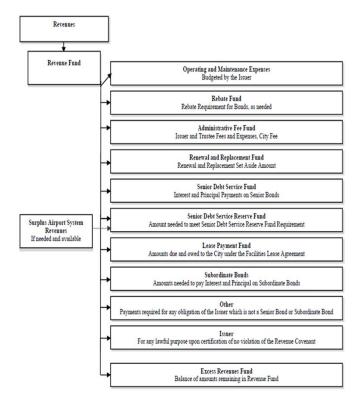
- Due to low demand, hotel created project list in order to bring back associates
  - Re-hired 75 associates out of 123 FTE per loan application
  - Identified 46 projects totaling 22,440 work hours
- 83% used for payroll
- Expectation entire \$907,555 will be forgiven in FY21
- ABLE Received PPP2 loan = \$1,270,573





#### **Department of Aviation instituted actions consistent with Bond Indenture**

Flow of Funds Chart



- Ground Lease Deferred Ground Lease payments
- Grant Agreement Debt Service Reserve Fund
  - October 1, 2020 \$1,561,101 Paid
  - April 1, 2021 \$1,084,500 Pending Payment
  - October 1, 2021 \$2,224,500 Anticipated
  - April 1, 2022 \$1,056,000 Anticipated
- ABLE Corporate Reports Requested extensions
- Business Continuity Planning
  - Governance ABLE Amended Bylaws (pending approval)
  - Financial New Loan Agreement (pending approval)



#### **Business Continuity Planning – Pending Actions**

- ABLE Amended Bylaws
  - City Council approval for new Management Agreement and any extensions
  - Approved by ABLE Board of Directors May 17, 2021
- Loan Agreement between Dept. of Aviation and ABLE
  - Purposes
    - Assurances to Bond Trustee and external auditor that ABLE remains a going concern
    - Funding for 2020 deferred payments obligations
      - Operating budget vendors/suppliers
      - Corporate budget professional services, Bond Indenture reports (audit, engineering)
    - Augment PPP loan proceeds insure ability to re-hire and hire new associates at market wages
    - Bridge "recovery profile" period (return to 2019 occupancy and revenue levels)
  - Structure
    - Initial Draw cover 2020 deferred payment obligations
    - Line of Credit to be drawn "with demonstrated need" during recovery profile period



#### Loan Agreement – Basic Terms

- Draw Period:
  - Start: Date of loan closing, anticipated to be 7/1/2021
  - End: 12/31/2022
- Initial Draw July, 2021
  - Calendar Year 2020 COVID-19 Deferred Payments Obligation
  - Initial Draw Amount \$1,350,000
- Subsequent Draws Based on demonstrated need
  - Available through December 31, 2022
  - Subsequent Draw(s) Amount not to exceed \$1,250,000
- Loan Interest Rate: 2%
- Payments
  - Interest Only Payment April 1, 2024
  - Principal/Interest Payments Equal annual payments April 1, 2025 to March 31, 2028





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