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Wasatch Front Regional Council
Meeting of August 25, 2016

Mayor Tom Dolan, Chairman, called the meeting of the Wasatch Front Regional Council to order at 2:04 p.m. in the offices of the Wasatch Front Regional Council located at 295 North Jimmy Doolittle Road, Salt Lake City, Utah.

Members Present

*Mark Allen	Mayor, Washington Terrace
*Bill Applegarth	Mayor, Riverton City
*Len Arave	Mayor, North Salt Lake
*Jerry Benson	Utah Transit Authority
*Carlos Braceras	UDOT
*Mike Caldwell	Mayor, Ogden City
*Karen Cronin	Mayor, Perry City
*Kelvyn Cullimore	Mayor, Cottonwood Heights
Evan Curtis	Governor's Office
Brad Dee	Utah House of Representatives
*Tom Dolan	Mayor, Sandy City
*Kerry Gibson	Commissioner, Weber County
Andrew Gruber	Executive Director, WFRC
*Brent Marshall	Mayor, Grantsville City
*Bret Millburn	Commissioner, Davis County
*JoAnn Seghini	Mayor, Midvale City
*Derk Timothy	Mayor, Bluffdale City

Alternate Members Present

Ryan Beck	Envision Utah
Carlton Christensen	Salt Lake County
*James Ebert	Commissioner, Weber County
*Carmen Freeman	Mayor, Herriman City
Beth Holbrook	Utah League of Cities and Towns
*Tammy Long	Mayor, South Weber City

Others Present

Bryan Adams	UDOT
John Barber	Councilmember, Morgan County
Andrea Bohmholdt	AECOM
Nicholl Bourdeaux	Utah Transit Authority
Joyce Brown	Councilmember, Layton City
*Dirk Burton	Councilman, West Jordan
Steve Call	FHWA
Orrin Hatch	Senator, United States Senate
John Hiskey	Sandy City
Linda Johnson	Breathe Utah
Nathan Lee	UDOT
David Litvak	Deputy Chief of Staff, Salt Lake City Mayor's Office
Ivan Marrero	FHWA
Barry McLellan	Congresswoman Mia Love
Regina Nelson	Tooele Co Sheriff's Office / 911 Advisory Committee
Eric Parry	UCA – 911 Division
*Matt Sibul	Utah Transit Authority

Jerry Stevenson	Senator, Utah State Senate
Nick Wyatt	Senator Orrin Hatch's Office
Loveit Baumgardner	WFRC
Wayne Bennion	WFRC
Kip Billings	WFRC
Renae Bodily	WFRC
Julia Collins	WFRC
LaNiece Davenport	WFRC
Scott Festin	WFRC
Katie Gerard	WFRC
Amber Gonzales	WFRC
Ned Hacker	WFRC
Scott Hess	WFRC
Roman Huerta	WFRC
Jory Johner	WFRC
Pam Jorgensen	WFRC
Ted Knowlton	WFRC
Jon Larsen	WFRC
Heather McLaughlin-Kolb	WFRC
Andrea Pearson	WFRC
Suzie Swim	WFRC
Megan Townsend	WFRC
Ben Wuthrich	WFRC
Muriel Kochimitl	WFRC

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Welcome

Mayor Tom Dolan, Council chair, welcomed Wasatch Front Regional Council members and guests and introductions were made.

Consent Agenda

ACTION: Minutes

Mayor Carmen Freeman moved to approve the minutes of the WFRC meeting held March 24, 2016 and Mayor Brent Marshall seconded the motion. The minutes were accepted unanimously.

ACTION: Financial Statements

Mayor Brent Marshall moved to approve the Financial Statements and Check Registers for April, May and June of 2016 and Budget/Expenditure Report as of June 30, 2016. Commissioner Bret Millburn seconded the motion and they were accepted unanimously.

Public Comment

Mayor Dolan opened the meeting up to public comment. Regina Nelson, Tooele County Sheriff's Office and 911 Advisory Committee, and Eric Parry, Program Manager with the State of Utah 911 Program, informed the Council that they are willing to bring information regarding this project to other city and county meetings, as needed. The Council will arrange for their presentation to be a part of a future Council meeting.

Chairman's Report

Information: Community Spotlight – Weber County

Local elected officials from Weber County, Mayor Mike Caldwell, Commissioners Kerry Gibson and James Ebert shared information about Weber County, including how it is addressing growth and promoting economic development, as well as how the area is meeting its transportation needs and priorities.

Information: Remarks from U.S. Senator Orrin Hatch

U.S. Senator Orrin Hatch attended a portion of the Wasatch Front Regional Council meeting and offered remarks focusing on transportation funding and policy. He engaged in a brief question and answer period with those attending.

Information: Point of the Mountain

Jerry Stevenson, Utah Senator, reported that the Point of the Mountain Commission is making progress in coordinating a meeting for the stakeholder entities in order to discuss the challenges of addressing the growth in that area of the Wasatch Front.

Information: WFRC FY'16 Activities and Accomplishments

Andrew Gruber, WFRC, reiterated the Wasatch Front Regional Council Mission Statement and then reported on the previously adopted goals and priorities for FY'16. These goals, which provided direction regarding areas of focus for this past year, are:

- 1- Begin development of the 2019-2050 Regional Transportation Plan, Utah's Unified Transportation Plan, and updated Wasatch Choice land use and development vision.
- 2- Support efforts to fund the needs identified in the 2015-2040 Utah's Unified Transportation Plan.
- 3- Further develop, integrate and promote WFRC programs that benefit local communities.
- 4- Strive for organizational excellence including maximizing employee job satisfaction and performance.

With the help and support of member communities, WFRC was able to make significant progress towards accomplishing their FY'16 goals. Mr. Gruber thanked our members for their hard work and dedication to these efforts. Included in the packet is an executive summary, as well as the full report, entitled "FY'16 Activities & Accomplishments Report."

ACTION: WFRC FY'17 Goals and Priorities

Mr. Gruber then presented the proposed set of goals and priorities to help shape the activities of WFRC for the next year. These goals were developed through review of WFRC's adopted Mission & Roles, reflection on the agency activities and accomplishments for the previous year, and a collaborative and full discussion among the WFRC staff, in consultation with the WFRC Executive Committee. The following are DRAFT goals and priority areas for WFRC in FY'17, and there is a summary included in the packet materials. Many of these items reflect a continuation of ongoing agency priorities. This is not intended to be a comprehensive list of all of WFRC's activities. The WFRC FY'17 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP), adopted by the Regional Council at its meeting in May 2016, comprehensively lists all of WFRC's activities.

- 1- Collaboratively develop long- and short-range plans and programs, and assist local communities to implement those plans.
- 2- Integrate the consideration of transportation, land use, and economic development through a performance-based approach.
- 3- Support transportation policy-making.
- 4- Strive for organizational excellence.

The members of the WFRC Executive Committee have reviewed these items and, along with WFRC staff, are submitting them for the Council's review, discussion and consideration for approval at this Council meeting.

Commissioner Kerry Gibson moved to approve the WFRC goals for FY2017 and Mayor Mark Allen seconded the motion. The vote to approve was unanimous.

Information: Overview of WFRC Programs for Local Governments

The Wasatch Front Regional Council administers six programs that provide resources for local governments. These programs include:

- Wasatch Front Economic Development District (WFEDD)
- Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)
- Transportation and Land Use Connection (TLC)
- Surface Transportation Program (STP)
- Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ)
- Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP)

Funding program application deadlines were discussed and further information will be forthcoming via email. Information sheets regarding the programs were included in the packet.

ACTION: Mountain Accord Interlocal Agreement

Mayor Tom Dolan gave a brief update regarding the Mountain Accord Interlocal Agreement. The process is well underway to create the Central Wasatch Commission (CWC). In order to implement the principles and actions of the Mountain Accord, the CWC is being formed by interlocal agreement and includes the following entities: Salt Lake City, Salt Lake County, Cottonwood Heights and Sandy City. The CWC will coordinate and oversee the Mountain Accord effort, including assuming responsibility for budgeting, accounting and contracting. As such, the two Mountain Accord contracts currently held by WFRC will be transferred and assigned to the CWC. That assignment will be effectuated through another interlocal agreement to which WFRC will be a party, the Mountain Accord Interlocal Assignment, Assumption and Consent Agreement. With the transfer of the contracts to the CWC, WFRC will also transfer any funding remaining for these contracts, pending final approval of the transfer from UTA and the Governor's Office of Economic Development. The budgetary impacts of this transfer of funding will be reflected in subsequent amendments to the WFRC budget.

Mayor Kelvyn Cullimore made a motion to authorize WFRC to be a Party to the Interlocal Assignment, Assumption & Consent Agreement, pending minor revisions agreed to by the Parties to the Agreement. The motion was seconded by Mayor Carmen Freeman and the voting in the affirmative was unanimous.

Regional Growth Committee

Mayor Karin Cronin, on behalf of Commissioner Petroff, briefly reviewed the outcomes of the Regional Growth Committee (RGC) meeting held on August 18, 2016

ACTION: 2015-2040 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) Amendment #2

Jory Johner, WFRC, reported that WFRC staff has received requests to amend the 2015-2040 RTP to incorporate the changes described in-depth in the packet materials. Projects within Amendment 2 were presented to the RGC's Technical Advisory Committees and the respective county's Council of Governments (COGs). On May 19, the RGC approved a formal public comment period for Amendment 2, which took place from May 23, 2016 to June 24, 2016. The WFRC staff has analyzed the potential financial implications of these projects and feels that the RTP is able to maintain its fiscal constraint while accommodating construction of these projects in Phase 1 (2015-2024). Further, the WFRC staff has reviewed the air quality impacts to ensure that all applicable air quality conformity requirements are met.

Commissioner James Ebert moved to approve Amendment 2 to the 2015-2040 RTP, with the exception of the portion of Redwood Road project north of 12600 South (which requires further study and review) and Mayor Mike Caldwell seconded the motion. The voting was unanimous to approve.

Information: Wasatch Choice 2050 Vision and Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) update

Ted Knowlton, WFRC presented information about the Regional Transportation Plan. The RTP is the region's shared blueprint for regional transportation. The process to develop the RTP spans four years and is a collaborative effort of communities, stakeholders, and transportation agencies (among others) that is convened and technically supported by WFRC. Wasatch

Choice 2040 has been the region's shared vision for coordinated growth, infrastructure, and open space. Over the next few years, the RTP and the Vision will be developed jointly and are being referred to as "Wasatch Choice 2050: Vision and RTP."

Information: WFRC efforts to integrate economic development

LaNiece Davenport, WFRC, shared the three key strategies that the WFRC is using to ensure economic development is integrated into our short and long range planning. They are:

- 1 Coordinate Transportation Investments with Economic Clusters
- 2 Coordinate Transportation Investments to Improve Access to Opportunity
- 3 Ensure Fiscal Sustainability through Efficient Growth and Infrastructure Investments

The Wasatch Front Regional Council staff and partners work to strengthen our economy by focusing on the interaction of transportation, land use, and economic development.

Transportation Committee (Trans Com)

Mayor Bill Applegarth informed the Council of three Action Items that were discussed in the Trans Com meeting held on August 18, 2016.

ACTION: Board Modifications to the 2016-2021 Transportation Improvement Program

Ben Wuthrich, WFRC, reported that WFRC received requests to modify the current 2016-2021 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The modification requires action from the Transportation Commission and Wasatch Front Regional Council, but does not require a new air quality conformity analysis or a 30-day public comment period. He referred members to the packet for detailed information on Amendment Nine.

- 1500 South; 1350 West to 1100 West – Expand Project Scope to include street transitions, drainage and railroad crossing features. Funding to remain the same at \$2,753,641.
- 5300 South and Commerce Drive – New Project to provide an additional westbound through lane that feeds the left turn lane to the southbound I-15 on-ramp. New funding in the amount of \$600,000.
- Recreational Trails – Projects selected and administered through the Utah State Parks and Recreation Division. Funds are used to provide and maintain trails for motorized and non-motorized recreational uses, including trailside, trailhead facilities, and provisions to facilitate access for people with disabilities. For the 2017 Program, Utah has 40 projects totaling \$1,490,393 in federal aid funds; eight of those projects (totaling \$202,766) are in the WFRC area.

Mayor Carmen Freeman moved to approve the resolution to modify the 2016-2021 TIP as requested. Mayor Brent Marshall seconded the motion and the voting was unanimous.

ACTION: 2017-2022 TIP

Mr. Wuthrich then presented information regarding the 2017-2022 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for approval, in order to move the transportation projects forward. A draft 2017-2022 TIP was reviewed by Trans Com in June (as delegated by the Regional Council) and made available for public review. An analysis of the TIP completed by the WFRC staff shows that the 2017-2022 TIP conforms to the state air quality plans. The public comment period extended from June 25 through August 6, 2016 and with the utilization of the new interactive map, produced collaboratively by WFRC and UDOT, was very successful. A list of the comments with respective responses was included in the packet and a summary of the comments and responses has been made available.

Mayor Bill Applegarth moved to approve the resolution to recommend the 2017-2022 TIP as requested. Mayor Karen Cronin seconded the motion and the voting was unanimous.

ACTION: Self-Certification of Planning Process

Mayor Applegarth then directed attention to the draft Resolution for the Urban Transportation Planning Process Certification exhibit included in the packet. He stated that each year when the Regional Council approves the Transportation Improvement Program, WFRC and UDOT also need to certify that the transportation planning process meets all federal planning requirements. The staff at WFRC, UDOT, and UTA have worked together to confirm that the federal requirements are being met.

Mayor Bill Applegarth moved that the resolution be approved as requested. Mayor Carmen Freeman seconded the motion and the voting was unanimous.

Air Quality Committee Report

Mayor JoAnn Seghini provided an update on the Air Quality Committee.

The August 2016 AQC meeting was cancelled; however, Bryce Bird, with the Department of Air Quality, presented an update on air quality issues during the August 18, 2016 Regional Growth Committee. The Wasatch Front's failure to meet the PM2.5 standards by 2014 means that the EPA will likely re-designate most of the Wasatch Front from a "moderate" to a "serious" non-attainment area for PM2.5. A new, more aggressive State Implementation Plan for controlling PM2.5 related emissions will be required to show attainment of the standard by 2019. The entire Wasatch Front, with the exception of Brigham City, exceeds the ozone standard based on the three most recent years of data. In coming years, a State Implementation Plan for controlling ozone will also be required.

Volkswagen agreed to a \$10 billion settlement regarding falsified emission testing for its small diesel vehicles. Utah will receive \$32 million of this settlement to be used for cleaner vehicles for fleets, airports, and freight operations.

Salt Lake Council of Governments also unanimously supported a consideration for the Legislature to again revisit the fireworks standards for Utah. During the summer holidays, there are many safety-related fire issues with the standards as they are now.

Active Transportation Committee Report

Mayor Mike Caldwell noted the following items regarding the Active Transportation Committee.

The ATC heard from UTA about the recent \$20 million TIGER grant award. The presentation focused on the types of projects that were approved in the grant, and allowed the committee members a chance to ask questions about how the funding will be administered.

Prior to the 2017 legislative session, WFRC will be preparing an annual report on key performance measures including funding, counts, safety, air quality, and active transportation plans for the Wasatch Front.

Mayor Caldwell also discussed the success of the Tour of Utah that occurred August 1-7, 2016. This is a great event that helps highlight active transportation, and influence future generations of cyclists. He also advocated attending the Mobile Active Transportation Tour to be held on September 15 in the afternoon as part of the Utah League of Cities and Towns Conference.

Executive Director's Report

Andrew Gruber, WFRC, introduced Matthew Silski, the new GIS employee at Wasatch Front Regional Council.

Other Business

Mayor Tom Dolan asked if there were any other items to discuss. With no further business, Mayor Brent Marshall moved that the meeting be adjourned at 4:00pm. Mayor Len Arave seconded the motion and the voting was unanimous.