

## Joint Policy Advisory Committee

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### MEETING MINUTES

**Wasatch Front Regional Council  
 295 N. Jimmy Doolittle Rd, Salt Lake City, UT**

**Thursday, November 1, 2018  
 11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.**

2018 JPAC Members and Alternates		
Name	Agency	In Attendance
Derk Timothy	Bluffdale	yes
Jeff Scott	Box Elder Co	yes
Craig Buttars	Cache MPO	no
Jeff Gilbert	Cache MPO	yes
Todd Beutler	Cache MPO	no
Bret Millburn	Davis County	yes
Randy Elliott	Davis County	yes
Bryan Thiriot	Dixie MPO	no
Myron Lee	Dixie MPO	yes
Troy Walker	Draper	no
Brent Marshall	Grantsville	yes
David Watts	Herriman	yes
Andrew Jackson	MAG	yes
Shawn Seager	MAG	yes
Jenney Rees	MAG, Cedar Hills	yes
Jim Miller	MAG, Saratoga Springs	no
Steve Leifson	MAG, Spanish Fork	no
Bill Lee	MAG, UT County	no
Nathan Ivie	MAG, UT County	no
John Barber	Morgan County	yes
Jon Beesley	Plain City	no
Trent Staggs	Riverton	no
Ben McAdams	Salt Lake County	no
Shawn Milne	Tooele County	no
Carlos Braceras	UDOT	no
Jeff Harris	UDOT	no
Linda Hull	UDOT	yes
Teri Newell	UDOT	yes
Shane Marshall	UDOT	no

Kent Millington	UT Transportation Commission	no	
Meghan Holbrook	UT Transportation Commission	no	
Mary DeLoretto	UTA	yes	
Laura Hanson	UTA	no	
Matt Sibul	UTA	no	
Nichol Bourdeaux	UTA	no	
Steve Meyer	UTA	yes	
Greg Bell	UTA Board	no	
Jim Harvey	Weber County	yes	
Andrew Gruber	WFRC	yes	
Jory Johner	WFRC	no	
LaNiece Davenport	WFRC	yes	
Ted Knowlton	WFRC	yes	
<b>2018 JPAC Other Attendees</b>			
Ivan Marrero	FHWA	Carlton Christensen	SL County/UTA Board
Brigitte Mandel	FHWA	Beth Holbrook	UTA Board
Steve Call	FHWA	Rachel Otto	ULCT
Jackie Biskupski	Salt Lake City	Cameron Diehl	ULCT
Wilf Sommerkorn	SL County	Chris Chesnut	UDOT
Richard Brockmeyer	UDOT	Melanie Penton	UTA
Andrea Pearson	WFRC	Michelle Larsen	UTA
Ned Hacker	WFRC	Blake Thomas	Herriman City
Megan Townsend	WFRC	Hugh Van Wagenen	WFRC
Suzie Swim	WFRC	Bert Granberg	WFRC
Julie Bjornstad	WFRC		
Muriel Xochimitl	X-Factor Strategic Communications		

**Welcome and Introductions**

Andrew Gruber, Wasatch Front Regional Council (WFRC), opened the meeting by welcoming the attendees and gave a reminder that WFRC will be moving to new office space at the north end of the Gateway in approximately March of 2019. **[00:01:32]** Introductions were made.

Mr. Gruber also noted that, as in the past, the facilitation of the JPAC meetings rotates between Utah Transit Authority (UTA), Utah Department of Transportation (UDOT), Mountainland Association of Governments (MAG), and Wasatch Front Regional Council. UTA will facilitate the meetings for 2019.

**Approval of August 2, 2018 Meeting Minutes [00:04:15]**

Mayor Brent Marshall moved to accept the August 2, 2018 meeting minutes. Commissioner Jim Harvey seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**Growth, Transportation, and Housing Affordability policy discussion [00:04:39]**

Ted Knowlton, WFRC, presented information on how policy makers and partner agencies are addressing the housing affordability and growth challenges that face the Wasatch Front region. Some topics that have been identified and that are important to and discussed in many settings

are, determining how much housing is needed, utilizing areas that are being developed efficiently, ensuring affordability and providing optimal access to employment, education, and recreational opportunities.

**[00:17:39]** Teri Newell, UDOT, remarked that many agencies across the state are collaborating to develop broad-reaching goals relating to these transportation and growth issues, as well.

**[00:19:25]** Cameron Diehl, Utah League of Cities and Towns (ULCT), stressed the importance of these issues, stating that the topics identified are the correct ones to begin the process of improvement. While Mr. Diehl noted that there is, indeed, a housing gap – fewer housing options available for an increased number of households – there are larger issues to consider such as a slower job market/higher unemployment rates when working on these issues.

**[00:38:25]** Rachel Otto, ULCT, provided an update on the Commission on Housing Affordability, which is working to draft legislation to present on these issues for the 2019 session. Ms. Otto also discussed the Modern Income Housing Plans that are required to be part of proposed housing developments in every city and county.

**[00:54:54]** Andrew Gruber, WFRC, reiterated that one of the purposes of the Transportation and Land Use Connection (TLC) Program, that is administered by WFRC, is to provide assistance to the cities and counties as they create their community economic development plans.

#### **Federal Transportation Issues update [00:56:00]**

Andrew Gruber, WFRC, introduced Linda Hull, UDOT, who provided an update on federal transportation funding programs. The Highway Trust Fund is the account that holds revenue from federal and state fuel taxes, and other funds such as commercial vehicle fees. The revenue in this fund is appropriated to various transportation programs as determined by authorization bills that have been previously established by the government.

#### **Utah's Unified Plan, 2019-2050 progress update – Phasing and Funding [01:07:00]**

An update on Utah's Unified Transportation Plan, which is expected to be adopted in 2019, was provided. Shawn Seager, MAG, Christopher Chesnut, UDOT, Steve Meyer, UTA, Jeff Gilbert, Cache MPO, Myron Lee, Dixie MPO, and Jory Johner, WFRC, presented information on where each of their respective agencies are in the process of phasing and funding, which is the final portion of completing the Unified Transportation Plan. The Plan reflects the priority transportation projects in Utah and is a product of the successful collaboration of the four MPOs, UDOT, and UTA, among other agencies across the state.

#### **Other Business [01:26:42]**

Ted Knowlton, WFRC, brought attention to a flyer that promotes the 2018 Pedestrian Summit which will be held on November 29 and encouraged all to attend and to share the information with other potential attendees. Mr. Gruber then asked the group if there were other business items to discuss. There were none. Mr. Gruber again stated that JPAC will be facilitated by Utah Transit Authority and the next meeting will be held in January 2019. The Joint Policy Advisory Committee meeting adjourned at 1:15p.m.