



TRANSPORTATION COORDINATING COMMITTEE (Trans Com)
Minutes of Meeting held
June 18, 2015

Chairman Bill Applegarth called Trans Com to order at 2:05 p.m. at the Wasatch Front Regional Council offices located at 295 North Jimmy Doolittle Road, Salt Lake City, Utah.

ATTENDANCE

Members:

Bill Applegarth, Chair	Mayor, Riverton
John Barber	Councilman, Morgan County
Karen Cronin	Mayor, Perry
Carmen Freeman	Mayor, Herriman
GJ LaBonty	Utah Transit Authority
Brent Marshall	Mayor, Grantsville
Shane Marshall	Utah Department of Transportation
Erin Mendenhall	Utah Air Quality Board
Toby Mileski	Mayor, Pleasant View
Norm Searle	Mayor, Riverdale
JoAnn Seghini	Mayor, Midvale

Others:

Kip Billings	Wasatch Front Regional Council
Wayne Bennion	Wasatch Front Regional Council
Michelle Bjorklund	Wasatch Front Regional Council
Steve Call	Federal Highway Administration
Andrew Gruber	Wasatch Front Regional Council
Ned Hacker	Wasatch Front Regional Council
Nathan Lee	Utah Department of Transportation
Blaine Leonard	Utah Department of Transportation
Ron Phillips	Phillips Associates, Inc.
Suzie Swim	Wasatch Front Regional Council
Ben Wuthrich	Wasatch Front Regional Council
Muriel Xochimitl	Wasatch Front Regional Council

1. MINUTES

ACTION: Mayor Brent Marshall moved that the minutes of the April 23 , 2015 Trans Com meeting be approved as written. Mayor Carmen Freeman seconded the motion, and the voting was unanimous.

2. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments

3. Transportation Improvement Program

a. Report on Board Modifications to the 2015-2020 TIP

Ben Wuthrich noted the projects in the 2015-2020 TIP that the Wasatch Front Regional Council modified at their May 28, 2015 meeting and asked if there were any questions.

Mayor Brent Marshall asked how funding could be programmed to address the difficulty of getting in and out of Tooele Valley when there is an incident on I-80. Shane Marshall briefly described the Transportation Commission's funding process and status, and said that UDOT Region 2 is looking at emergency relief options.

b. ACTION on Board Modifications to the 2015-2020 TIP

Ben Wuthrich presented and reviewed requests the Wasatch Front Regional Council has received to modify the 2015-2020 TIP:

- Salt Lake County: 7200 West; 3880 South to 3910 South; Canal Bridge Reconstruction. The request is to amend this project into the current Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) so that all preliminary work can be done for construction this fall and winter while the water is out of the canal. This project is currently on the draft program for the WFRC Surface Transportation Program (STP) funds and is anticipated to be approved into the 2016-2021 TIP in August. However, due to the urgency for this bridge reconstruction, UDOT Region Two and Central Structures have identified \$600,000 to be temporarily programmed onto this project to enable West Valley City and Salt Lake County to advance construct and repay the structure funds when the STP funds become available. New Funding Amount: \$600,000.
- Weber County: 4700 West; 4200 South to 4800 South; Reconstruct with minor widening, improvements to drainage, curb, gutter and sidewalk and an area of new construction. This request is to change the limits of the STP funded project on 4700 West from 4200 South – 4800 South to 4000 South – 4600 South and to separate the new construction portion on 4700 West; 4600 South to 4800 South from the reconstruction project 4000 South – 4600 South due to the timing of the available funds. This request will not negatively impact any other project and will provide new access three to four years earlier. Additional Funding: \$1,180,000 in local government funds.
- Weber County: SR-108; 4000 South (SR-37) to Hinckley Drive (SR-79); Reconstruct and widening, improvements to drainage, curb, gutter, shoulders, and sidewalk. The \$2 million requested in TIF dollars is to cover the cost of overruns caused by delays in the bidding of the utility relocations by Centurylink. Presently UDOT is working with Centurylink and the contractor to limit the costs and impacts caused by these delays and the cost liabilities for each entity are still being negotiated. Additional Funding Requested: \$2,000,000. In addition \$600,000 in betterments is being funded by local government.

ACTION: Mayor Brent Marshall moved that Trans Com approve the resolution to modify the 2015-2020 TIP as requested. Mayor Toby Mileski seconded the motion and the voting was unanimous.

c. ACTION to approve Draft 2016-2021 TIP for Public Comment

The Wasatch Front Regional Council is responsible for developing a Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), a six-year program of highway, transit, and active transportation projects funded by federal, state, and local revenues. The WFRC staff has worked with the Utah Department of Transportation (UDOT), the Utah Transit Authority (UTA), and the cities and counties in the region to compile a list of proposed projects for inclusion in a draft 2016-2021 TIP.

Federal regulations require that the public be given an opportunity to review and comment on the TIP through a period of at least 30 days, that the TIP be approved by the Regional Council, that the TIP be financially constrained, and that the TIP be found to conform with the state air quality plans. The WFRC staff has determined that the Draft 2016-2021 TIP conforms to state air quality plans. July 4 – August 8 is the public comment period.

Ben Wuthrich reviewed the funding sources and the lists of projects for the CMAQ program, STP, and TAP and highlighted one project from each county. Committee members and staff discussed some of the aspects of air quality conformity and funding processes.

ACTION: Mayor Karen Cronin moved that Trans Com approve the draft TIP and air quality conformity determination for public review. Mayor Carmen Freeman seconded the motion and the voting was unanimous.

4. Congestion Management Report

Federal regulations require that WFRC plans be, in part, a product of a Congestion Management Process. As part of this effort, WFRC staff has undertaken the task of reporting regularly to the Council regarding the status and trends of congestion management along the Wasatch Front. Kip Billings presented a PowerPoint on these trends, which is available on the WFRC website. Trans Com discussed factors underlying these trends and the value of the many transportation investments in the region.

5. Advanced Traffic Management Systems Update

Wayne Bennion introduced Blaine Leonard, the UDOT Intelligent Transportation Systems Program Manager to present the Advanced Traffic Management Systems (ATMS) update. Mr. Leonard discussed the collaborative effort that UDOT, local governments, and UTA have undertaken over the last 15 years to manage traffic in the region and the state. He also described four activities these partners are currently engaged in: 1) connecting more signals to the central system, 2) use of signal performance metrics, 3) installation of new central system software, and 4) evaluating options for improving transit schedule reliability.

6. Other Business

Next meeting date: August 20, 2015

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:50 p.m.