

Active Transportation Committee
Meeting Minutes
Meeting of March 30, 2016

A meeting of the Active Transportation Committee was held on Wednesday, March 30, 2016 in the offices of the Wasatch Front Regional Council, 295 North Jimmy Doolittle Road, Salt Lake City, Utah 84116.

Welcome and Introductions

Mayor Mike Caldwell, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 8:55 a.m. Mayor Caldwell welcomed committee members and guests and introductions were made.

ATC Members and Staff Present

Justin Anderson	Ogden City
Bill Applegarth	Mayor, Riverton City
Daryl Ballantyne	Councilman, Morgan County
Myron Bateman	Commissioner, Tooele County
Jared Bowling	Riverton City
Barry Burton	Davis County
Mike Caldwell	Mayor, Ogden City
George Deneris	Salt Lake County
James Ebert	Commissioner, Weber County
Larry Ellertson	Commissioner, Utah County
Andrew Gruber	WFRC
Scott Hess	WFRC
Robin Hutcheson	Salt Lake City
Jory Johner	WFRC
G.J. LaBonty	UTA
Jennifer McGrath	UTA
Brett Mccliff	Utah Department of Health
Bret Millburn	Commissioner, Davis County
Jeff Oyler	Davis County Planning
Angelo Papastamos	UDOT
Phil Sarnoff	Bike Utah
Matt Sibul	UTA
Jenny Wilson	Councilmember, Salt Lake County

ATC Stakeholders and Others Present

Dave Adamson	UDOT Region 1
Will Becker	GREENbike
Mark Benigni	Weber Pathways
Dan Bergenthal	Salt Lake City
Julie Bjornstad	WFRC
Ben Bolte	Greenbike
Mark Bradley	Brigham City
Betsy Byrne	Envision Utah/SLCo Bicycle Adv. Committee
Kim Clark	VIA Consulting
Steve Call	FHWA-Utah
Kim Clausing	Tooele County Health Department
Rick Cobia	Division of Service for People with Disabilities
Louis Cooper	Weber-Morgan Health Department
Evan Curtis	Governor's Office

Dave Foster
Jason Green
Ned Hacker
Dave Ittis
Pam Jorgensen
Brian Kolbe
Tyler Laing
Lacey McFarland
Brian Moore
Elliott R. Mott
Travis Olsen
Isa Perry
Levi Roberts
Muriel Xochimitl

Alta Planning & Design
Lochner
WFRC
Cycling Utah
WFRC
Lochner
UDOT Region 2
Weber-Morgan Health Department
Riverton City
Utah Outdoors
Weber-Morgan Health Department
Davis County Health Department
UTA
WFRC

Excused: Mayor Brent Marshall

Approval of Meeting Minutes/Summary

Commissioner Bret Millburn moved that the minutes of the January 13, 2016 meeting be approved as written. The motion was seconded by Mayor Bill Applegarth and the meeting minutes were unanimously approved.

Public Comment

- Phil Sarnoff reminded that on-line registration for the Bike Utah Summit closes Friday, April 1. The Bike Summit will be held April 5 in the Salt Palace. Keynote Speaker is Mikael Colville-Andersen from Copenhagen, Denmark.
- Angelo Papastamos said that UDOT has hired an Active Transportation person, Heidi Goedhart and she will start on April 11 and be attending ATC in the future.
- Brett Mcliff reported that the Department of Health--Cannon Building is having a ribbon cutting April 25 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. for the opening of their bike parking pad in front of the Cannon Building, 288 North 1460 West. Everyone is welcome.

Chair Report

Mayor Caldwell highlighted the following information in the Chair report:

- Legislative funding awards: Davis County was funded \$150,000 to complete the environmental work on the remaining sections of the Bonneville Shoreline Trail. The Jordan River Trail was awarded \$1.2 million to construct a bridge that connects 200 South and North Temple, one of the last gaps of the Jordan River Trail.
- Mobile Active Transportation Tours (MATTs) kick off their 2016 tour schedule on Wednesday, May 11 in Bluffdale City. This tour will follow the ATC meeting. Details provided on the Agenda and will be emailed in a few weeks.
- UTA along with partner agencies, UDOT, WFRC, Salt Lake County, Davis County, Weber County and others are working collaboratively on an Active Transportation TIGER Grant, requesting approximately \$27 million. The project focuses on developing the active transportation network in conjunction with transit facilities to improve access and transit ridership.

Muriel Xochimitl, WFRC, said the Wasatch Choice 2050 Consortium and Active Transportation and Health Summit would be combined this year and held on Wednesday, June 29 at the Little America Hotel in SLC. In addition, the National Association of Regional Councils has selected the Wasatch Front to host their 50th Annual Conference. NARC is a recognized national authority and leading

advocate for regional organizations. The Conference is scheduled for June 26-29 at the Little America Hotel. Information and details will be forthcoming as they become available.

2016 Active Transportation Performance Measures Discussion

Scott Hess discussed how the Active Transportation Performance Measures have been reviewed and refined from the initial list presented at the January 13, 2016 ATC Meeting. The list of annually calculated Performance Measures presented were: User Counts, Regional A.T. Infrastructure Inventory, Total Funds Spent on A.T., Safety Related to A.T. Incidents, Air Quality Benefits of A.T., A.T. Plan and Policy Inventory. The annually collected data will be rolled into an Annual Active Transportation Performance Measures report at the end of each calendar year. In addition to the annual measures, the following two performance measures that will be evaluated once per Regional RTP cycle: Latent Demand Score – Street Connectivity, Walkability Index of Centers.

Scott Hess asked the committee for suggestions and questions. The Committee reviewed each measure on the list. The following is a summary of the discussion per measure.

User Counts:

- Begin with a base line count estimated from SLC and Utah County count data at existing count stations
- All future projects should include a count mechanism
- Kim Clausing, Tooele Co. Health Dept. said that the Health Departments receive funds to collect data, and there may be potential for the Counties to help fund or establish the data collection method, and they may already have some of this data available.

Regional A.T. Infrastructure Inventory:

- Sidewalk inventory needed to help focus on more than just bike infrastructure

Total Funds Spent on A.T.:

- Barry Burton, Davis County – Would include local funds? to which Scott Hess said no. This would be a calculation of regional funds only.
- Mayor Caldwell, Ogden City – Will this include past data? Scott Hess stated that we would begin with 2015/2016 funding years and move forward from there.
- Robin Hutcheson, SLC – Is the ATC the clearinghouse for local budgets, or is this a regional vs. local issue?
- Matt Sibul, UTA – Would be worthwhile to collect data at a local level, and it should include more than just Proposition 1 funds.
- Andrew Gruber, WFRC – Collecting this data will help set future funding goals.
- Elliot Mott, Utah Outdoors – Include maintenance in data collection.
- Mayor Applegarth, Riverton – Break down the expenditure per person as a goal.
- Commissioner Ellertson, Utah County – Coordinate the effort region wide to include Mountainland Association of Governments. Maintain separate data sources, and aggregate them together into an annual report.

Safety Related to A.T. Incidents:

- Robin Hutcheson, SLC – SLC has implemented a safety program for A.T. This uses UDOT safety data which provides a good aggregate. Local data may be available from the Police Departments. She felt safety was the number one priority, and that we may want to consider a three or five year average to better understand safety of A.T.
- Dave Iltis, Cycling Utah and Commissioner Ellertson, Utah County – Discussed the police report form DI9, stated that they are sometimes filled out incorrectly and if damage was under \$1,000 it may not be reported.

- Andrew Gruber, WFRC – Suggested that Evan Curtis with the State could potentially provide statewide data.
- Dave Adamson, UDOT – UDOT collects much of this Safety Data.
- Angelo Papastamos, UDOT – Consider looking at what UTA First/Last Mile and TIGER application have done in regards to Safety.

Air Quality Benefits of A.T.:

- Consider more than VMT avoided, also look at trips avoided and cold starts avoided.
- Angelo Papastamos, UDOT – Travelwise program counts trips avoided, but has no mechanism to track cold starts avoided.

A.T. Plan and Policy Inventory:

- Will consider tracking plans in some form of a “good, better, best” for both A.T. Plans and Complete Streets Policies
- Brett McIff, Utah Dept. of Health – Health Departments across the State have been collecting and tracking Bike and Pedestrian Plans. He was willing to share that data.
- Andrew Gruber, WFRC – Tracking and collecting these plans could help direct projects to the Transportation Land Use Connection program at WFRC.

There was also some discussion about the Regional RTP cycle measures that focused on keeping the pedestrian in the discussion and looking towards tangible results. There was a suggestion to highlight local plans and projects that have made an impact for the better.

The next steps will be for the Performance Measures to be fully vetted with an understanding of where the data source is coming from, who collects and maintains the data, and what the missing pieces are that need to be created in order to track this information. Ultimately the performance measures will lead to goals and strategies that are implemented to create real change and move the needle for Active Transportation.

Greenbike Regionalization Update

Ben Bolte and Jennifer McGrath made a joint presentation. Ben Bolte went over the performance of the Greenbike system in 2015 and pointed out the great strides in ridership that were seen due to the installation of new stations. Jennifer McGrath discussed a current collaborative effort to establish a preferred governance model for Greenbike. Through the process, the consultant suggested that a governance model of UTA being the owner and Greenbike being the operator made the most sense. This governance model will continue to be refined and identified in preparation for future Greenbike expansions into other cities across the region.

First Mile / Last Mile Preview TIGER Discussion

UTA in collaboration with WFRC, MAG, UDOT, Counties, Local municipalities, and others are working on a TIGER grant application that is entirely based on Active Transportation. The grant will focus on First/Last Mile solutions that help our region’s population access transit, jobs, homes, and recreation through Active Transportation. The improvements are focused around the fixed guideway rail systems of FrontRunner and TRAX. The application is \$25-30 Million Dollars and will be submitted at the end of April.

Agency/City/County Program Updates

- Phil Sarnoff reported that the Active Transportation Benefits Study Phase 1 is completely funded. The total cost of the entire project is \$210,000. To date they are about \$15,000 short of having the whole study completely funded. Any municipalities or others interested in putting some monies toward the Study please contact Jennifer McGrath or Phil Sarnoff.

- George Deneris reported that the A-TIP Survey is online. The survey is to help Salt Lake County better understand the cycling types and to help engineers integrate bike and walking. The link to the survey will be forwarded to the Committee following the meeting.

Next Meeting: May 11, 2016 – Bluffdale City Hall, located at 14350 South 2200 West, Bluffdale, UT, from **8:45-9:30 a.m. Mobile Active Transportation Tour 9:45-11:45 a.m.** *Bring your bike and helmet.*

The meeting adjourned at 10:35 a.m.

A recording of this meeting, agendas, and presentations may be found on the WFRC website at www.wfrc.org, under Committees, Active Transportation, 2016 meetings.