

Minutes
Regional Growth Committee
Meeting of May 15, 2014

A meeting of the Regional Growth Committee was held on Thursday, May 15, 2014 in the offices of the Wasatch Front Regional Council, 295 North Jimmy Doolittle Road, Salt Lake City, Utah.

Welcome and Introductions

Commissioner Jan Zogmaister, RGC Chairman, called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m. Commissioner Zogmaister welcomed committee members and guests and introductions were made. The following were in attendance:

RGC Members and Alternates Present

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| Abby Albrecht (for Scott Parson) | Salt Lake Chamber of Commerce |
| Len Arave | Mayor, North Salt Lake |
| Steve Call | FHWA |
| Don Carroll | Mayor, Fruit Heights City |
| Reid Ewing | University of Utah |
| Ted Eyre | Mayor, Murray City |
| Jeff Harris | UDOT |
| Brent Marshall | Mayor, Grantsville City |
| John Petroff | Commissioner, Davis County |
| Christine Richman | Utah Urban Land Institute |
| Norm Searle | Mayor, Riverdale City |
| Matt Sibul | UTA |
| Jan Zogmaister | Commissioner, Weber County |

RGC Representatives and Others Present

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| Dave Adamson | UDOT Region 1 |
| Ryan Beck | Envision Utah |
| Roger Borgenicht | UBET |
| G.J. LaBonty | UTA |
| Justin Morgan | FHWA |
| Chad Mullins | Bike Utah |
| Rachel Otto | Breathe Utah |
| Ron Phillips | Phillips Associates, Inc. |
| David Schwartz | UDOT |
| Debbie Sigman | Breathe Utah |
| Marisol Sullivan | Breathe Utah |
| Wayne Bennion | WFRC |
| Julia Collins | WFRC |
| Andrew Gruber | WFRC |
| Ned Hacker | WFRC |
| Val John Halford | WFRC |
| Pam Jorgensen | WFRC |
| Sam Klemm | WFRC |
| Suzie Swim | WFRC |
| Muriel Xochimitl | WFRC |

Mayor Karen Cronin, Mayor Ben McAdams, Councilmember Tina Kelley, Commissioner Dan McConkie, and Scott Parson were excused from the meeting.

1. Approval of Minutes

Mayor Len Arave moved that the minutes of the Regional Growth Committee meeting held March 20, 2014 be approved as written. The motion was seconded by Mayor Don Carroll and the minutes were unanimously approved.

2. Opportunity for Public Comment

Roger Borgenicht, Utahns for Better Transportation, announced that he had signed a Memorandum of Agreement with the Utah Department of Transportation towards the development and evaluation of a shared solution for the West Davis Corridor Study in West Davis and Weber Counties. He said that UBET would be participating in several workshops with the cities, counties, federal agencies, UDOT, UTA, and WFRC to develop a shared solution which is based on the land use and transportation policies within the Wasatch Choice for 2040 vision. The workshops will include roads, transit, and land use. Mr. Borgenicht invited those interested in the project to participate in the workshops that will begin in June.

Chad Mullins, Bike Utah, commented that Action Item 5 on the meeting agenda includes a project on Antelope Drive in Layton. He said that Antelope Drive is a very important active transportation corridor and asked that careful consideration be given to the impact to active transportation in modifying that corridor.

3. Action: 2015-2040 Regional Transportation Plan Preferred Scenario

The process to develop the next Regional Transportation Plan began with the exploration of four land use and transportation scenarios. The scenarios and corresponding performance measures were reviewed by the local municipalities, the Utah Department of Transportation (UDOT), the Utah Transit Authority (UTA), stakeholders, and the general public. WFRC staff reviewed and evaluated the comments in preparation of a Draft Preferred Scenario. The draft Preferred Scenario includes roadway, transit, and bicycle projects along with the future land use for our region. The Final Preferred Scenario represents the final set of projects before financial constraints are applied and before the projects are prioritized into phases.

During the discussion on the Preferred Scenario, it was noted that refinements can still be made, as needed, over the next several months.

ACTION: Commissioner John Petroff moved to recommend to the Regional Council that the 2015-2040 Regional Transportation Plan Preferred Scenario be adopted as presented and that the WFRC staff apply financial constraints and phase the Preferred Scenario. Reid Ewing seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

4. Information: Local Planning Resource Program 2014 Awards

The Local Planning Resource Program is a technical resource for community planning that is provided by WFRC in collaboration with Salt Lake County. The objectives of the Program are to help local governments with technically challenging planning needs, to support the use of the Wasatch Choice for 2040 Toolbox, and to encourage an understanding of regional impacts as planning decisions are made.

This first year of the Program (2014) has received a lot of interest from communities and includes 53 letters of intent from 36 municipalities or townships, representing approximately \$1.7 million in request for assistance.

A list of the 2014 Program Awards were included in RGC member packets and may also be found on the WFRC website at www.wfrc.org under Programs, then click on Local Planning Resource Program. Detailed information on each of the selected projects was presented at the meeting. WFRC staff will work with these program recipients to finalize the scope of

services and consultant participation in the coming weeks. It was noted that another round of applications will be accepted late this year (pending inclusion of the program in the TIP). Additional information about the Local Planning Resource Program may be found on the WFRC website or by contacting Val John Halford and Julia Collins in the WFRC offices.

5. Action: 2011-2040 Regional Transportation Plan Amendment – Release for Public Comment

The Wasatch Front Regional Council (WFRC) prepares and adopts a regional transportation plan every four years. The current 2011-2040 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) was adopted in May 2011. Although the RTP receives considerable review before being formally adopted, the identification of new funding sources, the determination of the final environmental impact statements, or the rapid development of certain projects, often warrant modifications and additions to the RTP.

The WFRC received a request from the Utah Department of Transportation (UDOT) to amend the 2011-2040 RTP. The proposed modifications and additions to the current RTP include:

- I-15 Interchange at Hill Field Road (SR-108) – move the project to Phase 1. The purpose of the project is to reduce existing congestion. The project is funded from UDOT's Transportation Improvement Fund (TIF).
- Interchange at Bangerter Highway (SR-154) and 9000 South – move the project to Phase 1. The project will replace the existing at-grade intersection with a new grade separated interchange to decrease delay and congestion. The project is funded from UDOT's Transportation Improvement Fund.
- State Street (US 89) from 10600 South to 11400 South – this is a new project added to the current RTP. The purpose of this improvement is to reduce congestion on State Street.
- Antelope Drive (SR-108) over I-15 – this is a new project added to the current RTP. This project improves the intersections immediately adjacent to I-15 by modifying the existing roadway and improving signal coordination and access.

During the discussion of the projects it was noted that the requested action is to release the 2011-2040 RTP Amendment Four for public comment and to receive input from all concerned parties. More detailed information about each of the projects included in 2011-2040 Amendment Five may be found on the WFRC website or by contacting Val John Halford at WFRC.

ACTION: Commissioner John Petroff moved to recommend to the Regional Council that the proposed 2011 RTP amendment, as presented, be released for public comment. The motion was seconded by Mayor Don Carroll. The motion passed unanimously.

6. Other Business

7. The next meeting of the Regional Growth Committee will be held on **Thursday, August 21, 2014 at 9:30 a.m.**

The meeting adjourned at 10:50 a.m.