



WASATCH FRONT REGIONAL COUNCIL

**MINUTES
ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE**

October 14, 2020

A meeting of the Active Transportation Committee was held on Wednesday, October 14, 2020, via remote connection due to the safety restrictions put in place by the Utah Governor’s Office, in response to COVID-19 concerns, in Salt Lake City, Utah.

The following were present:

	MEMBERS AND ALTERNATES:	ATC REPRESENTATIVES AND OTHERS PRESENT:
No	Kenneth Braegger, Member (Willard - Box Elder County)	Becka Rolff, SLC Transportation
No	Kevin Jeppsen, Alternate (Perry - Box Elder County)	Britney Ward, Sandy City
Yes	Katie Witt, Member (Kaysville - Davis County)	Nathan Peterson, Intermountain Healthcare
Yes	Jo Sjoblom, Member (South Weber - Davis County)	Chris Wiltsie, Bike Utah
No	Daryl Ballantyne, Member (Morgan County)	Evan Curtis, UT State Planning
No	Robert McConnell, Alternate (Morgan County)	Jeff Oyler, Davis County
Yes	Troy Walker, Member (Draper - Salt Lake County)	Blair Tomten, Avenue Consultants
Yes	Jeff Silvestrini, Member (Millcreek - Salt Lake County)	Emily Seang, UDOT
Yes	Dirk Burton, Alternate (West Jordan - Salt Lake County)	Stephanie Tomlin, UDOT
No	Thomas “KJ” Karjola, Member (Stockton - Tooele County)	Sarah Hodson, Get Healthy Utah
No	Justin Brady, Alternate (Tooele City)	Ginger Cannon, UoU
No	Michelle Kaufusi, Member (Provo - Utah County)	Helen Peters, Salt Lake County
No	Norm Searle, Member (Riverdale - Weber County)	Kayla Kinkead, Utah Transit Authority
Yes	Richard Hyer, Member (Ogden - Weber County)	Mark Bradley, Brigham City
Yes	Heidi Goedhart, Member (Utah Dept of Transportation)	Mercedes Maestas, Salt Lake County
Yes	Ben Huot, Member (Utah Department of Transportation)	Thomas McMurtry, Avenue Consultants
No	Andrea Olson, Alternate (Utah Dept of Transportation)	Shauna Mecham, MAG
No	Laura Hanson, Member (Utah Transit Authority)	Steve Call, FHWA
	NON-VOTING MEMBERS:	Tim Harpst, Horrocks Engineering
Yes	Crys Lee, Member (Bike Utah)	Matt Sypolt,
No	Brett McIlff, Member (Utah Department of Health)	Zach Smallwood,
WFRC Staff: Hugh Van Wagenen, Alex Roy, Andrew Gruber, Rosie Hernandez, Bill Hereth, LaNiece Davenport, Nicole Proulx, Jory Johner, Ted Knowlton, Christy Dahlberg, Katie Gerard		Roland Stanger, FHWA-UT

1. Introductions and Consent Agenda [00:00:01]

Mayor Jo Sjoblom, Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:49am and welcomed committee members and guests. Introductions were made via roll call.

1a. ACTION: Approval of Minutes [00:02:05]

Mayor Sjoblom entertained a motion to approve the minutes of the Active Transportation Committee meeting held on August 12, 2020. A motion was made by Mayor Troy Walker and seconded by Richard Hyer, Ogden - Weber County, that the minutes be approved without changes. The affirmative motion carried unanimously.

2. Chair Report [00:03:00]

Mayor Sjoblom initiated her report by providing a review of the 2020 Golden Spoke event. [00:04:53] Hugh Van Wagenen, WFRC, also reported on the 2020 Golden Spoke event. He stated there were roughly 480 people who registered for the event this year, and encouraged everyone to continue utilizing the trails. [00:07:53] Andrew Gruber, WFRC, stated that having these connectors in place is reflective of the progress that has been made in making Active Transportation a viable means of transportation in addition to driving and taking transit.

3. Public Comment [00:09:37]

Mayor Sjoblom opened the meeting for public comment. Sarah Hodson, Get Healthy Utah, informed the group of a program launched with the Utah League of Cities and Towns, Healthy Utah Community. Healthy Utah Community is open to all cities and towns, it is a designation that focuses on criteria around healthy eating, physical activity, mental health, and collaboration. More information on this initiative can be found here: <https://gethealthyutah.org/healthyutahcommunity/>. [00:11:38] Mayor Troy Walker, Draper City, informed the group that a new 18-mile mountain bike trail was built connecting the cities of Lehi and Draper. [00:13:41] Mayor Dirk Burton, West Jordan City, reported the City would like to connect to the Jordan River Trail; however, they were unable to do so due to complications on how the Jordan River Trail was branded. He reported it was considered a park and not part of transportation. Heidi Goedhart, UDOT, informed the group that that has changed, and funding for the Jordan River Trail system can be applied through TIF Active Funding, or other programs based on the relevance of the project.

4. Discussion: Bike Booms: How does the 1970's Compare to Today?

[00:16:43] Hugh Van Wagenen, WFRC, presented a review on how the 1970's bike boom compares to today's bike boom. Lengthy discussion ensued on the positive and inverse correlations of the bike booms, discussing the influences needed to cause the boom to be not just another passing trend, but have staying power.

5. Presentation: 7800 South Buffered Bike Lanes Analysis [00:33:32]

Stephanie Tomlin, UDOT, presented on the 7800 South Buffered Bike Lane Evaluation. Data for the analysis was collected from August 6th through August 16th, results showed that 123 cyclists utilized the bike lane, and six cyclists utilized the buffer. Two of the six cyclists using the buffer were riding side by side another cyclist. Additionally, it showed 11 other users (scooters or joggers) utilizing the bike lane. Results also showed that there is no discernable difference in where cyclists were riding before and after sweeping the bike lane.

6. Presentation: Sandy City 10200 South Culvert Project [00:54:00]

Britney Ward, Sandy City Transportation Engineer, presented the Active Transportation Plan for Sandy City. Partners for this Plan included Avenue Consultants, Parametrix, WFRC, UDOT, Draper City, and various Sandy City Departments. Ms. Ward reported that one of the challenges faced was tight funding due to having to divide funds between two jurisdictions. Additionally, the project schedule was overrun by a couple months, mainly due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Overall, Ms. Ward reported the process was a positive experience, it is anticipated to be completed by end of 2020.

7. Review: Significant AT Projects Completed in Past 12 Months [01:08:00]

Hugh Van Wagenen, WFRC, provided a city by city review on significant Active Transportation projects completed in the past 12 months.

8. Agency/City/County Program Updates [01:13:50]

Heidi Goedhart, UDOT, reported that this week the UDOT Transportation Commission will be meeting to review some changes in project prioritization. Additionally, the TIF Active Transportation application window will be open through the beginning of January, an announcement will be made when the application window is officially open. [01:14:50]

Hugh Van Wagenen, WFRC, reported there have been amendments to the regional transportation plan to take into consideration the newly adopted city transportation plans. He informed the group that North Salt Lake, Salt Lake City, and South Jordan have all had some projects amended into the regional transportation plan. He also asked the group to contact him if their city needs an amendment to their transportation plan.

9. Other Business [01:15:51] The next scheduled meeting for ATC will be in January 13, 2021.

Mayor Sjoblom reported this is the last ATC meeting she will be chairing, and thanked everyone for the opportunity.

Upcoming Events:

- October is [National Pedestrian Safety Month](#). Walk more, drive slower!
- WFRC Council Meeting October 22
- Safe Routes to School [application](#) deadline October 23
- America Walks [Community Change Grant](#) deadline November 9

10. Adjournment [01:19:09]

Mayor Sjoblom asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Richard Hyer, Ogden - Weber County, made a motion to adjourn, and Mayor Jeff Silvestrini seconded. The affirmative vote was unanimous. The meeting ended at 11:10am.