

MINUTES ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

February 9, 2022

A meeting of the Active Transportation Committee was held on Wednesday, February 9, 2022, at 9:30am, 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: ATC REPRESENTATIVES AND MEMBERS AND ALTERNATES: **OTHERS PRESENT:** Travis Mote, Member (Willard - Box Elder County) Yes Alex Beim, UTA No Kevin Jeppsen, Alternate (Perry - Box Elder County) Alexis Verson, Horrocks Yes Joy Petro, Member (Layton - Davis County) Alysia Ducuara, Get Healthy Utah Angelo Papastamos, UDOT Brandon Stanger, Member (Clinton - Davis County) No Anne Williams, Horrocks Eng. Yes Blaine Fackrell, Member (Morgan County) Aric Manning, TFNU No Robert McConnell, Alternate (Morgan County) Brittney Ward, Sandy City Yes Troy Walker, Member (Draper - Salt Lake County) Dakota Froisland, Utah Co. Health No Jeff Silvestrini, Alternate (Millcreek - Salt Lake County) Dave Iltis, Cycling Utah Yes Dirk Burton, Member (West Jordan - Salt Lake County) Hannah Karmondy, Davis County No Neil Critchlow, Alternate (Grantsville - Tooele County) Jeff Oyler, Davis County Jem Locquiao, UTA Maresa Manzione, Member (Tooele City - Tooele County) Yes Jim Price No Michelle Kaufusi, Member (Provo - Utah County) Kaye Neves, Provo City Yes Braden Mitchell, Member (Riverdale - Weber County) Kim Clark, VIA Consulting Yes Richard Hyer, Member (Ogden City - Weber County) Mack Drzavich, Alta Planning Heidi Goedhart, Member (Utah Dept of Transportation) Yes Mark Bradley, Brigham City Ben Huot, Alternate (Utah Department of Transportation) No Mercedes Maestas, Salt Lake County No Andrea Olson, Alternate (Utah Dept of Transportation) Morgan Hadden, Get Healthy Utah Neda Kiani, UDOT Yes Russ Fox, Member (Utah Transit Authority) Peter Tang, UDOT NON-VOTING MEMBERS: Rick Grover, Weber County Yes Jenn Oxborrow, Member (Bike Utah) Rudy Bowman, UDOT Brett McIff, Member (Utah Department of Health) Yes Stephanie Tomlin, UDOT WFRC STAFF: Toby Lowry, SLCo Ted Knowlton Marcia White Andrea Pearson Mikala Jordan Travis Evans, UDOT Bert Granberg Mike Sobczak Travis Olsen, Davis County Health Hugh Van Wagenen Ned Hacker Jory Johner Nikki Navio Zac Covington, BRAG Julie Bjornstad Rosie Hernandez

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

Mayor Troy Walker, Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:33am.

a. Welcome new members [00:00:29]

Mayor Walker welcomed new committee members and guests. Introductions were made via roll call.

b. ACTION: Approval of Minutes [00:12:40]

Mayor Walker entertained a motion to approve the minutes of the Active Transportation Committee meeting held on August 11, 2021. A motion was made, seconded by Mayor Joy Petro, that the minutes be approved without changes. The affirmative motion carried unanimously.

2. Chair Report [00:03:27]

a. Introduction to the ATC [00:03:27]

Mayor Walker gave a brief introduction to the Active Transportation Committee (ATC) stating that, given the increasing interest in bicycle and pedestrian facilities, the Regional Growth Committee (RGC) ATC in May of 2012 to provide guidance regarding bicycle and pedestrian planning issues. The ATC, serving a brain trust regarding all things biking and walking in the region, consists of elected officials from Weber, Morgan, Davis, Salt Lake, Tooele, and Utah Counties and representatives from UDOT, UTA, Utah Department of Health, and Bike Utah.

3. Public Comment [00:07:57]

Mayor Walker opened the meeting for public comment. Dave Iltis, Cycling Utah, congratulated Draper City for receiving the Bicycle Friendly Community certification award by the League of American Bicyclists. He also reported that the Life on State has released their plans for the project between 800 South and 600 South, and asked the committee to take a more active approach on helping to make State Street a safer road for cyclists. For more information on the Life on State final design visit <u>www.lifeonstate.com</u>.

4. Action: 2022 ATC Focus Areas [00:13:35]

Hugh Van Wagenen, WFRC, presented the draft 2022 ATC Focus Areas (formerly known as Goals). He reported that these Focus Areas serve as a guide for each ATC meeting. The four categories of focus are Plan, Build, Educate, and Coordinate. Mr. Van Wagenen encouraged dialogue within the group in order to assist in the completion of the 2022 Focus Areas. He will then collect the responses and present the them at the next ATC meeting on April 13, 2022, where action will be taken to approve them.

5. Report: Legislative Session [00:25:17]

Jenn Oxborrow, Bike Utah, presented on active transportation related items moving through the legislature. She reported on <u>S.B. 66</u>, a bill seeking to allow electric assisted bicycles on non-motorized trails. This bill also defines the different classes of electric assisted bicycles. This bill was passed. Ms. Oxborrow also reported on <u>H.B. 227</u>, a bill focusing on recreational trails. This bill was initially intended to focus on the preservation of the Foothills area, however, because it was moving at a direction not originally intended, it is currently being circled in the House Rules Committee. Lastly, she reported on a funding request presented to the Executive Appropriations Committee to assist in the work of Bike Utah.

6. Report: UDOT Active Transportation Outreach [00:40:40] Presentation

Alexis Verson and Anne Williams, Horrocks Engineers, presented on the feedback received from UDOT's public outreach efforts regarding active transportation across the region.

7. Feedback: AT Phasing Criteria in the Regional Transportation Plan [01:00:57]

Julie Bjornstad, WFRC, presented the current phasing criteria for active transportation projects in the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP). She asked the group for feedback on which criteria should be prioritized.

[01:22:47] Mayor Walker reported on the \$46 million for active transportation in the Governor's budget. He stated that this is the largest appropriation for active transportation in the state's history and follows the \$35 million appropriated last year, which was also a first for the state. If approved in the final budget, the funds will be programmed by UDOT. The Infrastructure and General Government Appropriations Subcommittee has already prioritized the full amount requested. Mayor Walker asked the committee to sign a letter supporting the appropriation of these funds. For more information, and to add your name in support of this effort, visit https://unifiedplan.org/healthier-more-connected-utah/.

8. Other Business [01:24:49]

- a. The next scheduled meeting for ATC will be April 13, 2022.
- **b.** <u>Utah Outdoor Recreation Grant Application</u> is now open.
- c. Healthy Utah Community Application is now open.

9. Overview of the Utah Public Meetings Act [01:26:19]

10. Adjournment [01:25:18]

With no further business, Mayor Walker stated that Utah State law requires that elected officials serving on committees such as those of the Wasatch Front Regional Council receive training regarding the Utah Open and Public Meetings Act. Mayor Walker said that an 8-minute video would be shown in order to comply with this requirement and asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting upon completion of the training video.

[01:25:40] Mayor Joy Petro made a motion to adjourn the meeting upon conclusion of the video, and Mayor Braden Mitchell seconded. The affirmative vote was unanimous. **[01:37:24]** The video concluded, and the meeting adjourned at 11:11am.

Upcoming Events:

- Trans Com, February 17
- WFRC Orientation, February 24
- Move Utah Summit, March 16-17
- Intermountain Sustainability Summit, March 16-18
- WFRC Regional Growth Committee, March 17
- WFRC Council, March 24
- Utah Bike Summit, April 22

A recording of this meeting, as well as meeting materials, may be found on the WFRC website at www.wfrc.org