



MINUTES

Wasatch Front Regional Council
Meeting of March 22, 2018

Mayor Mike Caldwell, Chair, called the meeting of the Wasatch Front Regional Council to order at 2:06 p.m. This meeting was held at the offices of the Wasatch Front Regional Council, 295 N. Jimmy Doolittle Road, Salt Lake City, Utah.

WFRC COUNCIL MEMBERS - 2018		
BOX ELDER COUNTY	Yes/No	Davis, Salt Lake and Weber County Alternates / Others in attendance:
Member - Jeff Scott	yes	Wayne Niederhauser, UT Senate President
DAVIS COUNTY MEMBERS		Michael Gailey, Mayor, Syracuse City
Len Arave	yes	Mike Peterson, Mayor, Cottonwood Heights
Bret Millburn (<i>Vice Chair</i>)	yes	David Watts, Mayor, Herriman City
Randy Lewis	yes	Robert Dandoy, Mayor, Roy City
Bob Stevenson	no	Dawn Ramsey, Mayor, South Jordan City
MORGAN COUNTY		David Brickey, West Jordan City
Member - John Barber	no	Russell Weeks, SL City Council staff
Alternate - Ned Mecham	yes	Russell Fox, Draper City
SALT LAKE COUNTY MEMBERS		Evelyn Everton, Sandy City
Ben McAdams	yes	Gary Whatcott, South Jordan City
Jackie Biskupski	no	Brad Klavano, South Jordan City
Troy Walker	no	Blake Thomas, Herriman City
Michael Jensen	yes	Vaughn Pickell, Bluffdale City
Jeff Silvestrini	yes	Bruce Kartchner, Bluffdale City
Robert Dahle	yes	Matt Sibul, UTA
Ron Bigelow	yes	Ari Bruning, Envision Utah
Derk Timothy	no	Muriel Xochimitl, X-Factor Communications
TOOELE COUNTY		Andrew Gruber, WFRC
Member - Shawn Milne	yes	Ned Hacker, WFRC
WEBER COUNTY MEMBERS		Suzie Swim, WFRC
James Ebert	yes	Wayne Bennion, WFRC
Kerry Gibson	yes	LaNiece Davenport, WFRC
Mark Allen	yes	Megan Townsend, WFRC
Mike Caldwell (<i>Chair</i>)	yes	Ted Knowlton, WFRC
UDOT & UTA		Ben Wuthrich, WFRC
Member - Carlos Braceras, UDOT	yes	Bert Granberg, WFRC
Alternate - Shane Marshall, UDOT	yes	Andy Li, WFRC
Member - Jerry Benson, UTA	no	Julie Bjornstad, WFRC
Alternate - Nichol Bourdeaux, UTA	yes	Andrea Pearson, WFRC

NON-VOTING MEMBERS	
Jim Smith - Utah Association of Counties	yes
Beth Holbrook - Utah League of Cities and Towns	yes
Robert Grow - Envision Utah	no
Stuart Adams - State Senate	yes
Mike Schultz - State House of Representatives	yes
Evan Curtis – State Planning Coordinator	no

Welcome [00:00:08]

Mayor Mike Caldwell, Chair, welcomed Wasatch Front Regional Council members and guests and introductions were made.

1. Consent Agenda [00:02:20]

1a. and 1b. ACTION: Minutes and Financial Statements

Councilmember Michael Jensen moved to approve the minutes of the Council meeting held January 23, 2018 and financial statements and check register from January 2018. Commissioner Bret Millburn seconded the motion. The minutes and financial statements were unanimously approved.

2. Chairman’s Report [00:02:45]

2a. 2018 Legislative Session Report

WFRC members, and legislative leaders for transportation Senate President Wayne Niederhauser, Senator Stuart Adams and Representative Mike Schultz, discussed key outcomes of the recently concluded 2018 legislative session.

[00:04:00] President Wayne Niederhauser spoke about S.B. 71 Substitute 4 Road Tolls Provisions.

[00:15:23] Representative Mike Schultz reviewed S.B. 136 Substitute 6 Transportation Governance Amendments.

[00:40:55] Senator Stuart Adams expressed appreciation for President Niederhauser’s leadership as President of the Utah Senate, since he will retire at the end of the year. Senator Adams provided some comments and presented the opportunity for questions. **[00:43:41]**

[00:56:36] Andrew Gruber, WFRC, briefly discussed three documents, prepared by WFRC staff, that were provided with the meeting material in hard copy and are also located at www.wfrc.org. One document is a 2018 Legislative Wrap-up, with highlights of several bills. The second document is a summary of Senate Bill 136, Sub. 6. The third document is a chart providing information on implementing the Local Option Transportation Sales Tax that is described in SB136 Sub6. Mr. Gruber noted that the progress achieved during this Legislative session created significant, positive steps forward for the future of our region and state. The approved bills authorize funding for transit and local needs, and enhance the coordination of transportation, land use, and economic development.

2b. ACTION: Ratify appointments to WFRC Committees [01:22:15]

Mayor Mike Caldwell informed the Council that action needed to be taken regarding ratification of the appointments of WFRC Members to the Regional Growth Committee (RGC), Transportation Coordination Committee (Trans Com), Budget Committee, Active Transportation Committee (ATC), and the Joint Policy Advisory Committee (JPAC) for 2018. Appointments to WFRC and its Committees were also made by the County Councils of Governments (COGs). All the COGs, except Salt Lake County COG, had convened and made their appointments prior to the January 23 Council meeting, where these appointments were endorsed to date. Included in this packet are the updated WFRC and Committee membership lists, with the Salt Lake County appointees added. **[01:22:53]** Commissioner Bret Millburn motioned that the members of the Council ratify

the appointments to WFRC Committees as listed. Commissioner Kerry Gibson seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

3. Public Comment [01:23:07]

Mayor Mike Caldwell opened the meeting for public comment. There were no public comments.

4. Budget Committee [01:23:18]

4a. ACTION: Release for review and comment – WFRC FY19 draft Budget and draft Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)

Commissioner Bret Millburn reported that the WFRC Budget Committee reviewed the draft FY19 budget and the draft Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) at their meeting held on March 12, 2018. [01:24:34] Andrew Gruber, WFRC, reviewed the proposed FY19 budget, which shows a 1% overall increase in expenditures from FY18. The major expenditure is for staff salary/benefits, including a new entry-level communications/public outreach position and a new full-time accounting position for transition/succession of existing accounting staff over the course of a year. Another expected expenditure in FY19 is a minimal adjustment to building operations and maintenance due to the anticipated office move. The move is planned for June 2018. Mr. Gruber then continued the update by providing an overview of WFRC's funding sources. The FY19 Budget will include the 1% increase of funding contributions from each local county, as determined by the policy established during the FY18 process. There was group discussion, with the Council supporting the steps being taken that ensure the ongoing financial stability of WFRC.

[01:34:15] Commissioner Bret Millburn motioned to release the WFRC draft budget and the draft UPWP for fiscal year 2019 for review and comment. Commissioner Jeff Scott seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative. WFRC staff will make this information available for review by the public and by the County Councils of Governments (COGs). After considering any comments received, the documents will be brought before the Regional Council for adoption at their meeting in May 2018.

5. Regional Growth Committee (RGC) [01:00:23]

Mayor Ben McAdams briefly reviewed the outcomes of the Regional Growth Committee (RGC) meeting held on March 15, 2018.

5a. Wasatch Choice Vision Workshops [01:01:00]

Ted Knowlton, WFRC, provided an overview of next steps toward the development of Wasatch Choice 2050. Recently, ten Wasatch Choice Vision Workshops were completed around the region where feedback was gathered and used to refine the Vision scenario. Mr. Knowlton briefly discussed the next steps towards the approval of a finalized Vision scenario and the development of the 2019-2050 Regional Transportation Plan.

5b. ACTION: Federal Performance Measures and Targets [01:05:45]

Julie Bjornstad, WFRC, informed the Council that WFRC staff have been working closely with UDOT, UTA, and the state's other MPOs in implementing performance-based planning as part of Utah's Unified Transportation Plan. Ms. Bjornstad referred to the table in the meeting materials, prepared by UDOT staff, that discusses two performance measures. [01:08:45] Councilmember Michael Jensen motioned to agree to the statewide safety and infrastructure (pavement and bridge) condition targets set by UDOT for the required federal performance measures. Mayor Jeff Silvestrini seconded the motion. The affirmative vote was unanimous.

5c. Transportation and Land Use Connection Program Awards for 2018 [01:09:10]

Ted Knowlton, WFRC, brought attention to the projects in the 2018 Project Descriptions document, that were selected from dozens of quality applications from around the Wasatch Front Region. The Transportation and Land Use Connection (TLC) Program is a partnership between WFRC, Salt Lake County, UDOT, and UTA to support local governments in their planning efforts, implementing the Wasatch Choice Vision. The Program provides staff time, consulting, and training to local communities for planning, implementation, and visioning efforts. [01:15:08] Mayor

Robert Dandoy discussed the Roy General Plan and Ordinance Update project that was developed for Roy City. Mayor Dandoy anticipates this plan will aid in creating priorities to assist in Roy's future growth and provide direction to accomplish the planned strategies.

6. Transportation Coordination Committee (Trans Com) [01:34:41]

Commissioner James Ebert informed the Council of the items that are to be discussed.

6a. ACTION: Board Modifications to 2018-2023 Transportation Improvement Program [01:35:30]

Ben Wuthrich, WFRC, reported that WFRC has received a request from UDOT to modify the current 2018-2023 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) with the list of projects included in the meeting materials. Mr. Wuthrich briefly discussed each project. [01:44:03] Commissioner James Ebert moved to approve the resolution to modify the 2018-2023 TIP as requested. Commissioner Bret Millburn seconded the motion and the voting was unanimous.

6b. Report on Board Modifications to the 2018-2023 TIP [01:44:20]

Commissioner James Ebert then noted the information regarding additional requests to modify the current 2018-2023 TIP. This modification required action from Trans Com (since Council was not meeting) and the UDOT Transportation Commission, but did not require a new air quality conformity analysis or a 30-day public comment period. This modification and approved resolution has been included in the packet for informational purposes.

6c. Obligations of Federal Transportation Funds during FY2017 [01:44:40]

Ben Wuthrich, WFRC, briefly pointed out that the amount of federal funds obligated statewide, for FY17, exceeded \$390 million with more than \$194 million being obligated within the WFRC area. Mr. Wuthrich said these amounts have been consistent over the past few years with the majority of the funding addressing and expanding the existing facilities for all modes of transportation including transit and active transportation.

7. Active Transportation Committee Report [01:45:15]

Mayor Jeff Silvestrini reported on the following items regarding the Active Transportation Committee. The Utah Bike Summit, held on March 13, was a successful, well-attended event. The Golden Spoke Event is being planned for Saturday, June 2, 2018. The intent is to involve as many cities and communities as possible to celebrate active transportation with the completion of about 100 miles of bike trails running north-south along the Wasatch Front.

8. Executive Director's Report [01:48:43]

Andrew Gruber, WFRC, discussed the open Community Economic Development position, that will be filled as soon as possible. Mr. Gruber also briefly discussed the pending implementation of the Federal Budget for FY19. Due to time constraints today, the Air Quality Report will be postponed until the meeting in May 2018.

9. Other Business [01:51:47]

Mayor Mike Caldwell asked if there were any other items of business. There were none. Mayor Caldwell confirmed that the next meeting of the WFRC Council will be held on May 24, 2018. [01:51:47] It was proposed that the Council meeting adjourn at the conclusion of Item 10 on the agenda. Commissioner Bret Millburn made the motion and Mayor Len Arave seconded, with a unanimous affirmative vote.

10. Overview of Utah Open and Public Meetings Act [01:53:00]

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. An 11-minute training video was presented and will also be shown at other appropriate WFRC committee meetings, in order to comply with this requirement. [02:04:13] The video concluded and the meeting was adjourned.