



MINUTES
Wasatch Front Regional Council
Meeting of August 22, 2019

Commissioner Bob Stevenson, Chair, called the meeting of the Wasatch Front Regional Council to order at 2:03 p.m. in the offices of the Wasatch Front Regional Council located at 41 North Rio Grande Street, Salt Lake City, Utah.

WFRC COUNCIL MEMBERS - 2019		
BOX ELDER COUNTY	Yes/No	Alternates / Others in attendance:
Member - Jeff Scott	yes	Jo Sjoblom, South Weber City Mayor
Alternate – Tyler Vincent	no	Kyler Brower, Riverton City
DAVIS COUNTY MEMBERS		
Len Arave	yes	Mike Gottfredson, Horrocks Engineering
Mark Shepherd	yes	Jon Larsen, Salt Lake City Transportation
Randy Lewis	yes	Robert Hale, Midvale City Mayor
Bob Stevenson	yes	Shayne Scott, ULCT alternate
MORGAN COUNTY		
Member - Tina Cannon	yes	Richard Jordan, Member of the public
Alternate - Robert Kilmer	no	Anja Graves, Cardinal Infrastructure
Alternate - Mike Newton	no	Karen Lang, West Valley City
SALT LAKE COUNTY MEMBERS		
Jenny Wilson	no	Matt Sibul, UTA
Jackie Biskupski	yes	Carolyn Gonot, UTA
Troy Walker	yes	Makaylah Respicio, Envision Utah
Michael Jensen	yes	Russell Weeks, SL City Council staff
Jeff Silvestrini	no	Roger Borgenicht, UBET
Robert Dahle	yes	Clint Smith, Herriman City
Ron Bigelow	no	Blake Thomas, Herriman City
Derk Timothy	no	Rep. Ben McAdams, U S Congress
TOOELE COUNTY		
Member - Shawn Milne	yes	Tom Tripp, Tooele County
Alternate – Debbie Winn	no	Ivan Marrero, FHWA
WEBER COUNTY MEMBERS		
Scott Jenkins	yes	Cameron Diehl, ULCT
Jim Harvey	yes	Andrew Gruber, WFRC
Mark Allen	no	Ned Hacker, WFRC
Mike Caldwell	yes	Suzie Swim, WFRC
UDOT & UTA		
Member - Carlos Braceras, UDOT	no	Jory Johner, WFRC
Alternate - Teri Newell, UDOT	yes	Wayne Bennion, WFRC
Member - Carlton Christensen, UTA Board of Trustees	yes	Nicole Proulx, WFRC
Alternate - Beth Holbrook, UTA Board of Trustees	yes	LaNiece Davenport, WFRC
		Megan Townsend, WFRC
		Christy Dahlberg, WFRC
		Hugh Van Wagenen, WFRC
		Scott Hess, WFRC
		Ted Knowlton, WFRC
		Ben Wuthrich, WFRC

NON-VOTING MEMBERS		Val John Halford, WFRC
Lorene Kamalu - Utah Association of Counties	yes	Katie Gerard, WFRC
Dawn Ramsey - Utah League of Cities and Towns	yes	Bert Granberg, WFRC
Robert Grow - Envision Utah	no	Matthew Silski, WFRC
Gregg Buxton - State Senate	no	Amber Gonzales, WFRC
Mike Schultz - State House of Representatives	yes	Kip Billings, WFRC
Evan Curtis – State Planning Coordinator	yes	Alex Roy, WFRC
		Julie Bjornstad, WFRC
Justin Smart, WFRC/Penna Powers		Lauren Victor, WFRC Intern
Jeannie Lambert, WFRC/Penna Powers		Andrea Pearson, WFRC

Welcome

Commissioner Bob Stevenson welcomed Wasatch Front Regional Council members and guests and introductions were made. [00:04:25]

1. Consent Agenda

1a. ACTION: Minutes [00:03:28]

Mayor Mike Caldwell made a motion to approve the minutes of the WFRC meeting held May 23, 2019, and Mayor Mark Shepherd seconded the motion. The minutes were accepted unanimously.

1b. ACTION: Financial Statements [00:03:49]

Commissioner Shawn Milne made a motion to approve the Financial Statements and Check Registers for May and June 2019, and the current Budget/Expenditure Report. Councilmember Michael Jensen seconded the motion and the financial statements were accepted unanimously.

2. Chair’s Report [00:07:01]

2a. Discussion with Congressman Ben McAdams

Congressman McAdams presented WFRC with a Resolution honoring the 50 years of service that the organization has provided to the Wasatch Front Region. This Resolution has been entered into the Congressional Record of the United States. Congressman McAdams also discussed federal issues, including transportation infrastructure policy and funding.

2b. WFRC FY19 Activities and Accomplishments Report [00:17:08]

WFRC Executive Director Andrew Gruber presented the FY19 Activities & Accomplishments Report. In August 2018, the Wasatch Front Regional Council adopted goals and priorities for FY19 that provided direction for the agency regarding areas of focus for the upcoming year. The FY19 Activities & Accomplishments Report provides an overview of how WFRC met those goals. Mr. Gruber also acknowledged two WFRC staff members: Ben Wuthrich, Short Range Planning Program, celebrating 25 years of employment with WFRC, and Val John Halford, Long Range Planning Program, for 22 years of employment and upcoming retirement on August 30.

2c. WFRC Funding Opportunities for Local Governments [00:33:44]

WFRC administers six programs that provide resources for local governments. Presentations were given by Scott Hess, Christy Dahlberg, Megan Townsend and Ben Wuthrich, all of WFRC, describing these competitive programs. Submittal timelines were discussed, and members of the Council were encouraged to coordinate with their local entities to complete letters of intent requesting these program funds. The programs include:

- Wasatch Front Economic Development District (WFEDD)
- Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)
- Transportation and Land Use Connection (TLC)
- Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP)
- Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ)
- Surface Transportation Program (STP)

2d. ACTION: Approve WFRC's 2019 Title VI Plan, Public Participation Plan (PPP) and Limited English Proficiency (LEP) Plan [00:44:15]

Andrew Gruber, WFRC, emphasized WFRC's commitment to adhering to all applicable local, state and federal regulations. In order to ensure compliance with these laws and utilize best practices, WFRC works diligently to keep their policies updated. WFRC has completed updates to the Title VI Plan, the Public Participation Plan (PPP), and the Limited English Proficiency (LEP) Plan. The intent of these documents is to ensure non-discrimination in our work and to encourage participation in the regional transportation planning process among those groups traditionally underserved by transportation investments. [00:48:07] Mayor Mark Shepherd made a motion to approve the Title VI Plan, the PPP and the LEP Plan as outlined. Councilmember Michael Jensen seconded the motion and the updated documents were accepted unanimously.

3. Public Comment [00:52:53]

Commissioner Stevenson opened the meeting up for public comments. There were none.

4. Regional Growth Committee (RGC) [00:53:44]

Mayor Dawn Ramsey, RGC Chair, briefly reviewed the outcomes of the Regional Growth Committee (RGC) meeting held on August 15, 2019.

4a. Wasatch Choice 2050 Vision

Ted Knowlton and Julie Bjornstad, both with WFRC, presented a preview of upcoming activities that will support implementation of the Wasatch Choice Vision, our communities' shared vision for transportation investments, development patterns, and economic opportunities. WFRC and the Wasatch Choice Vision partners will be presenting implementation concepts and local case studies at the Utah League of Cities and Towns (ULCT) conference on September 12th in what will be known as the "Wasatch Choice Day". Beginning September 23rd, a round of ten Wasatch Choice Implementation Workshops will then be held throughout the region. Part of the focus in all of these events will be an exploration of analyses and maps produced for individual cities to aid in responding to new legislation, SB 34 (Affordable Housing Modifications), and to compete effectively for state and regional transportation funding.

5. Transportation Coordinating Committee (Trans Com) [01:05:33]

Commissioner Jeff Scott, Trans Com Chair, informed the Council of the items that were discussed in the Trans Com meeting held on August 14, 2019.

5a. Report on Board Modifications to the 2019-2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) [01:06:15]

Ben Wuthrich, WFRC, presented information regarding additional requests to modify the current 2019-2024 TIP. The modification required action from Trans Com (since WFRC 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. The modification and approved resolution were included in the packet materials.

5b. ACTION: Board Modifications to 2019-2024 TIP [01:07:48]

Mr. Wuthrich reported that WFRC has received requests to modify the current 2019-2024 TIP with the attached list of projects. Mr. Wuthrich briefly discussed each project. [01:09:22] Commissioner Jeff Scott moved to approve the resolution to modify the 2019-2024 TIP as requested. Commissioner Shawn Milne seconded the motion and the voting was unanimous in the affirmative.

5c. ACTION: 2020-2025 TIP [01:09:41]

Mr. Wuthrich presented information regarding the 2020-2025 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for approval. A draft 2020-2025 TIP was reviewed by Trans Com in June (as delegated by the Regional Council) and made available for public review. An analysis of the TIP

completed by WFRC staff shows that the 2020-2025 TIP conforms to the state air quality plans. The public comment period extended from June 27 through August 3, 2019. A list of all the comments and respective responses has been compiled, and a summary of the comments and responses is included in the meeting materials. **[01:17:26]** Commissioner Jim Harvey moved to approve the resolution to recommend the 2020-2025 TIP as requested. Mayor Troy Walker seconded the motion and the voting was unanimous in the affirmative.

5d. ACTION: Self-Certification of Planning Process [01:17:45]

Wayne Bennion, WFRC, directed attention to the draft Resolution for the Urban Transportation Planning Process Certification exhibit information. Mr. Bennion stated that each year when the Regional Council approves the Transportation Improvement Program, WFRC and UDOT also need to certify that the transportation planning process meets all federal planning requirements. The staff at WFRC, UDOT, and UTA have worked together to confirm that the federal requirements are being met. **[01:20:05]** Commissioner Shawn Milne made a motion that the resolution be approved as presented. Mayor Mark Shepherd seconded the motion and the voting was unanimous in the affirmative.

6. Active Transportation Committee (ATC) Report [01:20:32]

Mayor Jo Sjoblom, ATC Chair, provided an update on the Active Transportation Committee.

7. Executive Director's Report [01:25:00]

Andrew Gruber, WFRC, brought attention to the list of upcoming events on the bottom of the agenda and invited the members to participate where they are able:

- *Making Strides: Creating Walkable Communities - August 28, 2019*
- *ULCT Annual Conference – September 11-13, 2019 (Wasatch Choice Day September 12, 2019)*
- *Move Utah Summit - September 26, 2019*
- *WFRC Funding Program letters of intent submission deadline - September 26, 2019*
- *Wasatch Choice Implementation Workshops - end of September through end of October 2019*
- *Utah APA Fall Conference – October 3-4, 2019*
- *UDOT Annual Conference – November 5-7, 2019*
- *UAC Annual Conference – November 14-15, 2019*

8. Other Business [01:26:46]

[00:48:31] Mayor Jackie Biskupski noted that Salt Lake City is hosting the United Nations 68th Civil Society Conference on August 26-28, 2019, where 8,000+ delegates will be representing over 135 countries. Mayor Biskupski also noted that the Salt Lake International Airport reconstruction project is progressing as planned. Commissioner Bob Stevenson asked if there were any other items to discuss. There were no other items brought forward. With no further business, Commissioner Stevenson adjourned the meeting at 3:27 p.m.

Note: Even though the recording had been inadvertently stopped, Commissioner Shawn Milne made a motion to adjourn and the motion was seconded by Mayor Mark Shepherd.