

**MINUTES**  
**Wasatch Front Regional Council**  
 October 24, 2024

WFRC Council meeting was held at WFRC Offices, 41 N Rio Grande Street, Salt Lake City and via Zoom. The following were present:

<b>WFRC COUNCIL MEMBERS - 2024</b>		
<b>BOX ELDER COUNTY</b>	<b>Yes/No</b>	<b>Alternates / Others in attendance:</b>
Member - Lee Perry	yes	Monica Zoltanski, Sandy City Mayor
Alternate - Dennis Bott	no	Tamara Tran, Kaysville Mayor
<b>DAVIS COUNTY MEMBERS</b>		Dave Maughan, Syracuse Mayor
Brandon Stanger	no	Roger Bourke, Alta Mayor
Mark Shepherd	yes	Lorin Palmer, Herriman Mayor
Joy Petro	yes	Karen Lang, West Valley City Mayor
Bob Stevenson	no	Ken Phippen, Farr West Mayor
<b>MORGAN COUNTY</b>		Dan Dugan, Salt Lake City Council
Member - Mike Newton	no	Wendy Thomas, Herriman
Alternate - Robert McConnell	no	Sherry Stevens
<b>SALT LAKE COUNTY MEMBERS</b>		Helen Peters, SLCo
Jenny Wilson	yes	Oscar Arvisu
Erin Mendenhall	no	Kaitlin Marousis
Dawn Ramsey	yes	Joe Osterstock
Aimee Winder Newton	yes	Jamie Dansie
Jeff Silvestrini	yes	Casey Saxton
Robert Dahle	no	Brian Conley
Dirk Burton	yes	Anthony Tobler
Kristie Overson	no	Alex Johnson
<b>TOOELE COUNTY</b>		Forrest
Member - Scott Wardle	no	Benjamin
Alternate - Debbie Winn	yes	
<b>WEBER COUNTY MEMBERS</b>		<b>WFRC:</b>
Gage Froerer	yes	Andrew Gruber, Ted Knowlton,
Jim Harvey	yes	Marian Florence, Julie Bjornstad,
Robert Dandoy	yes	Wayne Bennion, Ben Wuthrich,
Ben Nadolski	yes	Lauren Victor, Hugh Van Wagenen,
<b>UDOT &amp; UTA</b>		Marcia White, Megan Townsend,
Member - Carlos Braceras, UDOT	yes	Jory Johnner, Kip Billings, Johnnae Nardone,
Alternate - Ben Huot, UDOT	yes	Byron Head, Chris Day, Josh Reynolds,
Member - Carlton Christensen, UTA Board of Trustees	yes	Chad Worthen, Suzie Swim,
Alternate - Beth Holbrook, UTA Board of Trustees	yes	Christy Dahlberg, Tim Watkins,
<b>NON-VOTING MEMBERS</b>		Madison Aviles, Matt Ryan,
Lorene Kamalu - Utah Association of Counties	no	Kevrine Wells, Chay Mosqueda,
Troy Walker - Utah League of Cities and Towns	no	Rosie Hernandez, Jordon Chandler,
Ari Bruening - Envision Utah	yes	Andrea Pearson
Wayne Harper - State Senate	no	
Calvin Mussleman - State House of Representatives	yes	
Laura Hanson – State Planning Coordinator	yes	

**1. Welcome and Consent Agenda [00:00:05]**

At 1:32pm, Council Chair Mayor Dawn Ramsey welcomed the members and guests. Mayor Ramsey thanked the attendees and stated that this meeting was changed to a virtual-only occurrence to reduce the travel time, and encouraged everyone to prioritize their attendance in person at the transportation workshops that will be held in various areas around the region.

Introductions were made individually online via roll call. **[00:08:24] ACTION:** Mayor Ramsey brought attention to the first item on the agenda - the minutes of the August 22, 2024 meeting and Financial statements and check registers for July and August 2024 and Budget/Expenditure Report to date. Mayor Mark Shepherd made a motion to approve all the documents as written and Salt Lake City Councilmember Dan Dugan seconded the motion. There was no discussion and the minutes and financial statements were approved unanimously.

## **2. Chair Report [00:09:18]**

### **a. WFRC Nominating Committee**

Mayor Ramsey thanked the members and alternates for their service in 2024 and invited Representative Calvin Musselman to say some parting words as he will no longer be serving on the Council.

Mayor Ramsey then reminded the group that pursuant to the WFRC Bylaws, at the last meeting in even-numbered years the Council Chair appoints a nominating committee to nominate the Council Chair and Vice Chair for the next year, as well as make recommendations for the leadership of the other WFRC Committees. The nominating committee includes one representative from each of the six WFRC counties. Mayor Ramsey asked the following people to serve as the upcoming nominating committee:

- Tooele County: Councilmember Scott Wardle
- Morgan County: Commissioner Mike Newton
- Weber County: Mayor Bob Dandoy
- Box Elder County: Commissioner Lee Perry
- Davis County: Mayor Joy Petro
- Salt Lake County: Mayor Jeff Silvestrini

There were no objections, and this group will provide the nominations for endorsement at the Council meeting in January 2025.

## **3. Public Comment [00:16:08]**

Mayor Ramsey opened the meeting for public comment. There were two members of the public that chose to provide comments on a potential project involving the Rio Grande area in Salt Lake City. **[00:21:55]** Mayor Ramsey invited Andrew Gruber, WFRC, to comment regarding the project.

## **4. Regional Growth Committee (RGC) [00:24:35]**

Mayor Ramsey directed the meeting to Mayor Bob Dandoy, Chair of RGC, for a committee update.

### **a. Wasatch Choice Vision update**

Mayor Dandoy encouraged the group to attend the upcoming Wasatch Choice Vision Workshops that will be held throughout the region over the next few weeks. These meetings are hosted jointly by WFRC, UDOT, and UTA, and will focus on implementation of the Wasatch Choice Vision. Mayor Dandoy then introduced Ted Knowlton, WFRC, who provided an overview of the progress and process of the Vision, as it will be discussed in the workshops..

## **5. Transportation Coordinating Committee (Trans Com) [00:32:43]**

Mayor Ramsey turned the time to Mayor Mark Shepherd, Trans Com Chair. Mayor Shepard introduced Ben Wuthrich, WFRC, who discussed modifications requested for the TIP.

### **a. ACTION: Board Modifications to the 2025-2030 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)**

Mr Wuthrich reported that since the last meeting of Wasatch Front Regional Council, WFRC received requests to modify the current 2025-2030 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), and briefly described each modification. **[01:01:30] ACTION:** Mayor Shepherd made a motion to approve the modifications as discussed. Commissioner Jim Harvey seconded the motion and the affirmative vote was unanimous.

**6. WFRC Budget Committee [01:03:05]**

Mayor Ramsey then brought the group's attention to Salt Lake County Councilmember Aimee Winder Newton, WFRC Budget Committee Chair, for the WFRC Budget Committee report.

**a. PUBLIC HEARING and ACTION: Approve Fiscal Year 25 WFRC Budget amendments**

Councilmember Winder Newton stated that each year in October WFRC amends its budget to reflect the final financials from the previous year, and to include projects that were budgeted in the previous year but were not completed prior to the end of that year and are carried forward to the current fiscal year. This is a routine action, which reflects that many of WFRC's projects are multi-year in nature. Councilmember Winder Newton noted that Marian Florence, WFRC Chief Financial Officer, was in attendance to answer any questions regarding the FY25 WFRC Budget amendments. **[01:04:53]** Councilmember Winder Newton made a motion to open a public hearing regarding approving amendments to the WFRC FY25 Budget. Mayor Jeff Silvestrini seconded the motion. The affirmative vote was unanimous. Mayor Ramsey asked if there were any comments from the public in attendance. **[01:05:33]** There were no comments. Mayor Ramsey acknowledged Councilmember Winder Newton's motion to close the public hearing. Mayor Jeff Silvestrini seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative. **[01:06:00]** **ACTION:** Councilmember Winder Newton made a motion that the Council approve the FY25 Budget amendments as presented, which was seconded by Mayor Jeff Silvestrini. The affirmative vote was unanimous.

**b. ACTION: Accept the FY24 WFRC Audit Report [01:06:39]**

Councilmember Winder Newton reported that the Council's financial statements for FY24 received an unqualified opinion with no findings or questioned costs. A copy of the audit report was included in the meeting material previously provided. The WFRC Budget Committee met to review the audit. Marian Florence, WFRC, and our independent auditors from Larson Certified Public Accountants, were available to answer questions. **[01:07:33]** **ACTION:** Councilmember Winder Newton made a motion that the Council accept the FY24 audit report. Mayor Joy Petro seconded the motion and the affirmative vote was unanimous.

**7. Reports [01:08:17]**

**a. Active Transportation Committee (ATC) update**

Mayor Joy Petro, Vice Chair of the ATC, gave an update on the group's last meeting. Mayor Petro briefly discussed the recently held Connected Communities Summit, and provided an update on the Utah Trail Network effort.

**b. Wasatch Front Economic Development District (WFEDD) update [01:13:06]**

Commissioner Gage Froerer, Chair of the WFEDD, stated that at the group's last meeting, there was a full review of the WFEDD bylaws, interlocal agreement, and policies to confirm full compliance with all applicable rules. Commissioner Froerer reported on a presentation given by the Kem C. Gardner Policy Institute regarding the economics of the Olympic Games in Salt Lake City, looking back at 2002 and looking ahead to 2034.

**b. Executive Director's update [01:16:20]**

Andrew Gruber, WFRC, recognized Lauren Victor for five years of employment with WFRC. Mr. Gruber also mentioned that Jory Johner has reached 25 years and Ben Wuthrich has reached 30 years - they will be recognized more appropriately at the next Council meeting.

**8. Other Business and Adjournment [01:20:19]**

Mayor Ramsey noted the upcoming events on the agenda. The next meeting of the WFRC Council will be held on January 23, 2025. **[01:21:24]** Commissioner Lee Perry made a motion to adjourn the meeting, which was seconded by Mayor Monica Zoltanski. The motion was approved unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 2:53pm.