

Joint Policy Advisory Committee

MOUNTAINLAND ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS
UTAH DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
DIXIE METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION



WASATCH FRONT REGIONAL COUNCIL
UTAH TRANSIT AUTHORITY
CACHE METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

MEETING MINUTES

Utah Department of Transportation
Redwood A Conference Room
4501 South 2700 West
Taylorsville, UT 84114

Thursday, September 7, 2017
11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Members & Alternates Attending:

Andrew Jackson, Chair	Executive Director, Mountainland AOG
Andrew Gruber	Executive Director, WFRC
Bill Applegarth	Mayor, Riverton City
Carmen Freeman	Mayor, Herriman City
Gary Gygi	Mayor, Cedar Hills
Jeff Gilbert	Planner, Cache MPO
Jerry Benson	President/CEO, UTA
Megan Holbrook	Utah Transportation Commission
Myron Lee	Director, Dixie MPO
Randy Elliot	Davis County Commission
Ted Knowlton	Deputy Director, WFRC
Todd Beutler	Cache Valley MPO/Cache Valley Transit
Bob McKinley	Chair, UTA
Brent Marshall	Mayor, Grantsville
Kent Millington	Commissioner, Transportation Commission
Bryan Thiriot	Executive Director, Dixie MPO
Carlos Braceras	Executive Director, UDOT
Ken Sizemore (via conference call)	Dixie MPO/Santa Clara City

Excused

JoAnn Seghini	Mayor, Midvale
Bret Millburn	Davis County Commission

Others Attending:

Jory Joner	WFRC
Matthew Sibul	UTA
Muriel Xochimitl	WFRC
Melanie Haws	Mountainland AOG

Nathan Lee	UDOT
Shawn Seager	Mountainland AOG
Steve Call	FHWA
Steve Meyer	UTA
Brigitte Mandel	FHWA
Representative Kay Christofferson	
Representative Mike Schultz	(via conference call)

Welcome and Introductions

Andrew Jackson, Mountainland AOG, opened the meeting by welcoming the attendees, listing the excused members and asked for introductions. He stated that attending via conference call is an option.

Approval of May 4, 2017 Meeting Minutes

Andrew Gruber moved to accept the May 4, 2017 meeting minutes. Megan Holbrook seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Transportation Governance Task Force

Representative Mike Schultz, Transportation Governance and Funding Task Force Co-Chair, joined the meeting via conference call and gave an overview of the responsibilities and duties of the Transportation and Governance Task Force (Task Force). The Task Force is designed to address future issues and avoid traffic grid-lock as Utah's population continues to grow. With great leadership and collaboration, the Task Force will work to align systems and spend tax dollars efficiently.

Representative Kay Christofferson, Transportation Governance and Funding Task Force member reported that the Task Force is composed of legislators, government agencies and the private sector. It was established to discuss the transportation needs in Utah for the next 40-50 years to prepare for growth in the state. Recommendations will be presented to the legislature with the intent to prepare for the future.

The Task Force consists of three sub-groups:

1. Funding Working Group, *Chair Representative Kay Christofferson* – Identify users and beneficiaries of the transportation system and who should be responsible to pay for it, use Value Capture tools to assess the value of property when infrastructures are built as a means to assess potential tax revenues, and how taxes are administered to pay for roads.
2. Governance and Transit Working Group, *Chair Senator Wayne Harper* – Identify how to structure and organize transportation within the state in regards to highways, transit and ports.

3. Economic Development, Land Use, Aviation, Active Transportation, Rural Issues Working Group, *Chair Representative Mike Schultz* – Identify how best to use land around transportation, adjust zoning to better coordinate with transportation hubs throughout the state.

RUCWest.org is a tool being explored to determine additional funding sources, including Road Usage Charging (RUC), and a pay-by-mile system that would replace the gas tax. Carlos Braceras discussed the website and gave an overview of its features.

The Task Force encourages suggestions, input and attendance from elected officials and public sector.

Wasatch Front Central Corridor Study Findings

Shawn Seager, Mountainland AOG and Jeff Harris, UDOT discussed the Wasatch Front Central Corridor Study stating that it is a collaborative effort between WFRC, UDOT, UTA and MAG to find solutions that will meet transit demands as Utah's population continues to grow.

The study looked at a variety of creative options to address future transit demands from South Davis County to Northern Utah County and the width in Salt Lake County between the area of 700 East to Redwood Road. Federal Highway Administration applied for the TIGER planning grant which was used to fund approximately half of the study.

Transportation goals include:

- Improve Safety
- Increase person throughput
- Improve travel time reliability
- Increase accessibility to jobs and education
- Improve air quality
- Improve economic outcomes
- Reduce household transportation costs
- Improve mode balance

Solutions include:

- **I-15:** Double-Decked
- **Transit:** No-fare transit system wide
- **Active Transportation:** Cycle superhighway
- **Incentive Programs:** Pay-per-use transportation applications
- **Surface Streets:** Improve street connections

The JPAC members had a general discuss on a variety of concerns, potential solutions, and provided feedback.

Other Business

The next JPAC will be held November 2, 2017 at 11:30 a.m. at the Utah Department of Transportation.

The meeting adjourned at 12:58 p.m.