



WASATCH FRONT REGIONAL COUNCIL

MINUTES
Regional Growth Committee
 May 20, 2021

A meeting was held on Thursday, May 20, 2021, via Zoom connection, due to the safety restrictions put in place by the Utah Governor's Office, in response to continuing COVID-19 concerns.

The following were present:

MEMBERS AND ALTERNATES PRESENT		OTHER APPOINTED MEMBERS AND ALTERNATES	
Tyler Vincent, Member (Brigham City)	no	Natalie Gochmour, Member Utah Transportation Commission	no
Jeff Scott, Alternate (Box Elder County)	no	Kevin Van Tassell, Alternate Utah Transportation Commission	yes
Len Arave, Member (North Salt Lake)	yes	Beth Holbrook, Member Utah Transit Authority Board of Trustees	yes
Rick Earnshaw, Alternate (Woods Cross)	no	Carlton Christensen, Alternate Utah Transit Authority Board of Trustees	no
Joy Petro, Member (Layton)	no	Erin Mendenhall, Member Utah Air Quality Board	Jon Larsen in her stead
John Pohlman, Alternate (Fruit Heights)	no	Ari Bruening, Member Envision Utah	no
Robert McConnell, Member (Morgan County)	yes	Ryan Beck, Alternate Envision Utah	yes
Matt Wilson, Alternate (Morgan County)	no	NON-VOTING MEMBERS AND ALTERNATES PRESENT	
Jenny Wilson, Member (Salt Lake County)	yes	Ben Huot, Member Utah Department of Transportation	yes
Ron Bigelow, Alternate (West Valley City)	yes	Andrea Olson, Alternate Utah Department of Transportation	yes
Dawn Ramsey, Member (South Jordan) Chair	yes	GJ LaBonty, Member (Interim) Utah Transit Authority	yes
Richard Snelgrove, Member (Salt Lake County)	no	Kerry Doane, Alternate Utah Transit Authority	no
Troy Walker, Member (Draper)	no	Bryce Bird, Staff Representative Utah Air Quality Board	yes
Steven Shields, Alternate (Herriman)	yes	Ivan Marrero, Member FHWA-Utah Division	no
Dan Peay, Alternate (Magna)	no	Kelly Lund, Alternate FHWA-Utah Division	no
Cherie Wood, Alternate (South Salt Lake)	no	Gary Uresk Utah League of Cities and Towns	yes
Kurt Bradburn, Alternate (Sandy)	no	Dina Blaes Utah Association of Counties	yes
Kendall Thomas, Member (Tooele County)	no	Julie Fullmer, Vineyard Mayor Mountainland Association of Governments	no
Ed Hansen, Alternate (Tooele City)	no	WFRC APPOINTMENTS FROM OTHER ORGANIZATIONS	
Mark Allen, Member (Washington Terrace)	yes	Ibi Guevara, Utah Urban Lands Institute	Robert Schmidt in her stead
Norm Searle, Alternate (Riverdale)	yes	Laura Hanson, GOPB	yes
Robert Dandoy, Member (Roy) Vice Chair	yes	Jacey Skinner, Utah Transportation Coalition	yes
Jim Harvey, Alternate (Weber County)	yes	Reid Ewing, University of Utah	yes

OTHER ATTENDEES PRESENT, including WFRC Staff:	
Bret Millburn, Ginger Chinn, Patti Garver, Jory Howell,	WFRC: Andrew Gruber, Ted Knowlton, Andrea Pearson,
Christopher Chesnut, Bill Baranowski, Shule Bishop,	Jory Johner, Hugh Van Wagenen, Mikala Jordan,
Nichol Bourdeaux, Grant Farnsworth, Nate Peterson,	Megan Townsend, Hannah Boettcher, Miranda Jones Cox,
David Larson, Rob Jolley	Rosie Hernandez, Julie Bjornstad, Lauren Victor, Nikki Navio
	Badr Almadhi, Nicole Mendelsohn, Ben Wuthrich,
	Kurt Mower, Ned Hacker, Bill Hereth, Bert Granberg

1. Introductions and Consent Agenda [00:00:05]

Mayor Dawn Ramsey called the meeting to order at 9:45am. Introductions were made via roll call. Laura Hanson, with the Governor’s Office of Planning and Budget, GJ LaBonty, with UTA, and Ginger Chinn, with the Salt Lake Chamber, were welcomed to the meeting.

ACTION: Approve Minutes from March 18, 2021 [00:02:10]

With no discussion or changes noted, Mayor Ramsey entertained a motion to accept the minutes. A motion was made by Mayor Len Arave, and seconded by Mayor Robert Dandoy that the Minutes be approved. Motion passed unanimously.

2. Public Comment [00:06:31]

Mayor Ramsey opened the meeting for public comments. There were none.

3. Wasatch Choice - the 2023-2050 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) [00:06:59]

Ted Knowlton and Hugh Van Wagenen, both with WFRC, presented key plan objectives of the RTP, which is the transportation component of the overall Wasatch Choice Vision, and a part of Utah’s Unified Transportation Plan. Mr. Knowlton and Mr. Van Wagenen revisited the objectives of the RTP, and sought feedback from the RGC, as a steering committee, on the overall regional transportation planning process. Mr Knowlton and Mr. Van Wagenen then facilitated a discussion of key focus areas of the RTP: improving the Region’s resilience in the face of rapid growth, recovery from COVID-19, and new external forces such as rapidly shifting transportation technologies and behaviors. Polls were presented to the group during this discussion, and the results are below.

4. ACTION: Amendment #3 to the 2019-2050 RTP [00:40:01]

Jory Johner and Julie Bjornstad, both with WFRC, presented the proposed Amendment Number 3 to the 2019-2050 Regional Transportation Plan (2019-2050 RTP). Project amendments are organized into three levels: *Level 1 - Staff modifications*, which include minor adjustments; *Level 2 - Board Modifications*, where action is requested to make a formal adoption of the projects and; *Level 3 - Full Amendment*, where action is requested to release these projects for public comment. The projects within this amendment were presented to their respective Technical Advisory Committees (TACs) on April 28, 2021 and will also be presented to the Box Elder, Weber, Davis and Salt Lake County Councils of Governments (COGs). Ms. Bjornstad and Mr. Johner briefly discussed each project. **[01:16:48]** Mayor Ramsey asked if there were any members of the public that would like to have their comments noted. With no comments stated, Mayor Ramsey made a motion to approve the Level 2 - Board Modification projects and release the Level 3 - Full Amendment projects and the air quality conformity determination as found in Draft Air Quality Memorandum 40 for public comment for Amendment Number 3 to the 2019-2050 RTP. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Jim Harvey, and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

5. ACTION: Point of the Mountain Transit Locally Preferred Alternative [01:20:05]

Mayor Ramsey turned the time to Utah Transit Authority Trustee Beth Holbrook, for a report on the Point of the Mountain Transit Study, which began in 2019 as a partnership of local governments and agencies, including WFRC, with the intent to explore transit corridor improvements in Utah’s fastest

growing areas of southern Salt Lake County and northern Utah County. Information presented by Patti Garver, UTA, summarized the purpose of this study, which was to identify a Preferred Alternative, named the Common Ground Segment, that meets the needs of the proposed land use and communities in the area. The action requested is a vote of approval and support of this Locally Preferred Alternative in preparation for the upcoming environmental phase of the project. [01:40:00] Mayor Len Arave made a motion to approve the Common Ground Segment as the Locally Preferred Alternative, which was seconded by Commissioner Robert McConnell. The affirmative vote was unanimous.

6. Other Business [01:42:14]

The next meeting is scheduled for August 19, 2021.

7. Adjournment [01:43:10]

With no other business brought before the group, Mayor Ramsey entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. A motion was made by Reid Ewing, University of Utah, and seconded by Beth Holbrook, UTA Trustee, that the meeting adjourn. Motion passed unanimously, and the meeting adjourned at 11:28am.

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

Polling 1: Managed Lanes

Polling is closed

31 voted

1. Regarding the Managed Lanes approaches



Polling 2: Fare Free Transit

Polling is closed

29 voted

1. Regarding Fare Free Transit



Polling 3: Congestion Pricing

Polling is closed

28 voted

1. Regarding the concept of Congestion Pricing

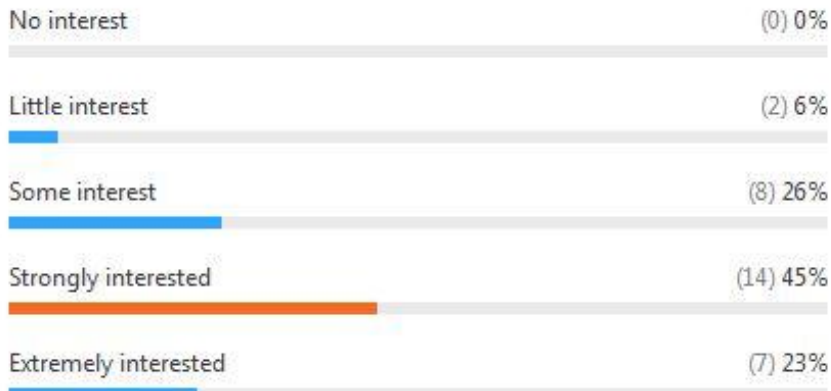


Polling 4: Street Connectivity

Polling is closed

31 voted

1. On a scale of 1 to 5, approximate how much interest communities might have in improving Street Connectivity

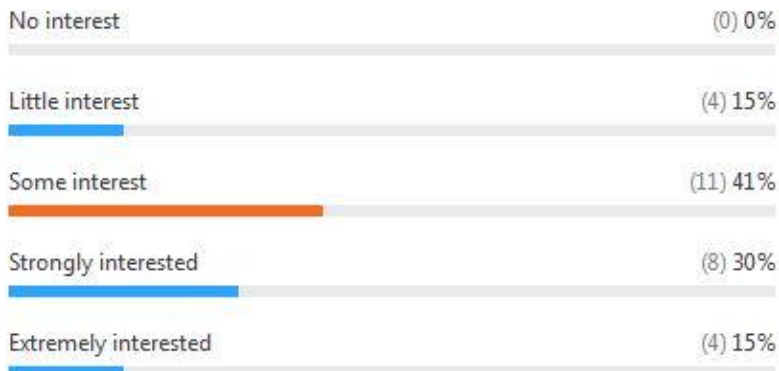


Polling 5: Curbside Management

Polling is closed

27 voted

1. On a scale of 1 to 5, approximate how much interest communities might have in exploring new Curbside Management approaches

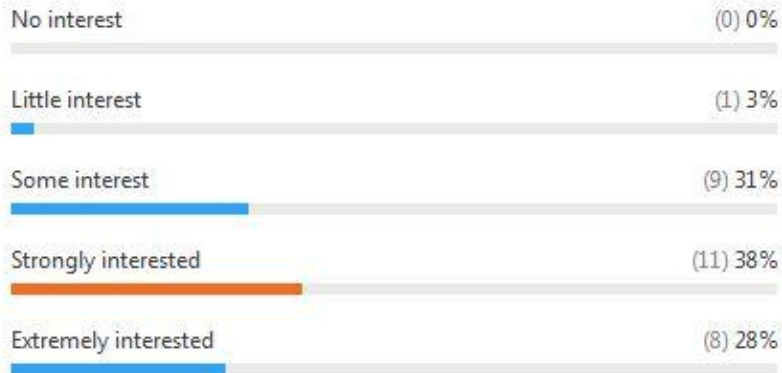


Polling 6: Local Street Design Modifications ▼

Polling is closed

29 voted

1. On a scale of 1 to 5, approximate how much interest communities might have in exploring Local Street Design Modifications



Polling 7: Parking Modernization ▼

Polling is closed

28 voted

1. On a scale of 1 to 5, approximate how much interest communities might have in exploring Parking Modernization

