

MINUTES
WFRC || Regional Growth Committee
January 16, 2025

WFRC Regional Growth Committee Meeting was held at WFRC Office, 41 N Rio Grande Street, Salt Lake City and via Zoom.

1. Welcome & Consent Agenda [00:01:12]

At 9:20 a.m., Mayor Robert Dandoy of Roy City, Chair of the Regional Growth Committee, welcomed the members and guests to the meeting. Introductions were made both around the table and online.

ACTION [00:06:13] UTA Trustee, Beth Holbrook, made a motion to approve the [Minutes](#) of the RGC Meeting held October 10th, 2024. Mayor Lorin Palmer, Herriman City, seconded the motion. There was no discussion and the minutes were approved unanimously.

2. Public Comment [00:06:57]

There was no public comment.

3. [Status Update for the Wasatch Choice Vision](#) [00:07:20]

- a. Wasatch Choice Workshop Results and Next Steps [00:08:04]** Ted Knowlton, WFRC Deputy Director, provided an overview of how WFRC is processing feedback from the recent Fall Workshop discussions focused on the Wasatch Front Region. He explained that the next steps in updating the Wasatch Choice Vision, a four-year process, include using the information gathered from local communities at these workshops to explore future scenarios (2024), develop a preferred approach (2025), prioritize projects (2026), and plan for adoption (2027). Ted also shared a preview of what each of these steps might look like.
- b. The process for considering exploratory transportation concepts [00:22:43]** Andrew Gruber, WFRC Executive Director, provided a review of the Regional Growth Committee meeting from August 2024, where the group discussed how to strike the right balance between being aspirational and pragmatic as an organization and community. Andrew also highlighted the progress made since the last RGC meeting in efforts to achieve that balance.
- c. New project selection criteria: how transportation projects are considered for the Vision [00:31:46]** Jory Johner, WFRC Long Range Planning Director, provided a high-level, step-by-step overview of the process for reviewing and screening transportation concepts for the upcoming RTP, as part of the Wasatch Choice initiative. Jory outlined three key components of the process: 1) the sources of the proposed projects, 2) the preliminary screening criteria for each mode, and 3) an overview of the technical criteria. He also discussed how, after considering these three components, the interaction between multimodal elements will be evaluated.

[01:04:39] Laura Hanson, Planning Director at the Governor's Office of Planning and Budget, provided an update on Governor Cox's State Housing Plan and his second-term strategic plan, [Built Here](#). This plan aims to build 40,000 new housing units within centers identified in regional visions, such as the Wasatch Choice Vision

4. [Station Area Plan Certification - South Jordan TRAX stations](#) [01:10:46]

Megan Padjen, Community and Economic Development Director at WFRC, provided an overview of the Station Area Planning goals and requirements. She introduced the South Jordan TRAX Station Area Plan, which includes four stations: the South Jordan portion of 5600 W Old Bingham Hwy, South Jordan Parkway, South Jordan Central, and Daybreak Parkway. Mayor Dawn Ramsey of South Jordan City and Steven Schaefermeyer, South Jordan City Planning Director, also presented an overview of the project and discussed its significance for South Jordan City and Daybreak residents.

ACTION [01:30:35]: Mayor Brandon Stanger of Clinton City made a motion to recommend the certification of the South Jordan TRAX Station Area Plan to the Wasatch Front Regional Council. Mayor Tamara Tran of Kaysville City seconded the motion. There was no discussion, and the motion passed unanimously

5. Utah Legislative Session Overview and Federal Transportation Update [01:33:35]

Miranda Jones Cox, Government Affairs Manager at WFRC, provided a brief overview of what to expect in the upcoming 2025 Legislative session, covering topics such as transportation, housing, economic development, land use, and other related legislation and appropriations.

6. Overview of the Utah Open and Public Meeting Act [01:45:28]

Mayor Dandoy, Regional Growth Committee Chair, explained that, as part of WFRC's compliance and annual training requirements, a video on the Utah Public and Open Meetings Act was sent in the initial RGC meeting email. He thanked those who have already completed the training and asked that everyone else please do so to fulfill the board's training requirements. He explained that the training video will also be sent in a follow-up email for those who have not yet completed it.

7. Other Business and Adjournment [01:45:57]

Mayor Dandoy explained that the Wasatch Front Regional Council Meeting will take place next Thursday, January 23rd at 1:30 p.m., and the next Regional Growth Committee meeting will take place on Thursday, March 20th at 9:15 a.m.. UTA Trustee Beth Holbrook made a motion to adjourn, and Davis County Commissioner, Lorene Kamalu seconded the motion. Meeting Adjourned at **11:11 a.m.**

A recording of this meeting, as well as meeting materials, may be found on the WFRC website at www.wfrc.org. Please see the next page for attendance.

Regional Growth Committee

2025 RGC MEMBERS			Present	Others in attendance
BOX ELDER COUNTY				Brigitte Mandel
Member -	Dennis Bott, Mayor	Brigham City	No	Camile Alexander, HDR
Alternate -				Isaac Higham
DAVIS COUNTY				K. Marousis
Member -	Brandon Stanger, Mayor	Clinton	Yes	Lance Evans
Alternate -	Kendalyn Harris, Mayor	Bountiful	No	Ryan Anderson, SLCo
Member -	Tamara Tran, Mayor	Kaysville	Yes	Kimberly Bell, Sandy
Alternate -	Brian Horrocks, Mayor	North Salt Lake	No	Steven Schaefermeyer
MORGAN COUNTY				Roger Borgenicht, UBET
Member -	Tony London, Councilmember	Morgan City	No	Chandler Beutler, UTA
Alternate -	Mike Newton, Commissioner	Morgan County	No	Paul Larsen, Brigham
SALT LAKE COUNTY				
Member -	Dawn Ramsey, Mayor	South Jordan	Yes	
Alternate -	Alison Stroud, Councilmember	Sandy	Yes	
Member -	Jenny Wilson, Mayor	Salt Lake County	No	WFRC STAFF
Member -		Salt Lake County	No	Andrew Gruber
Member -	Monica Zoltanski, Mayor	Sandy	Yes	Ted Knowlton
Alternate -	Eric Barney, Mayor	Magna	No	Andrea Pearson
Alternate -	Cherie Wood, Mayor	South Salt Lake	Yes	Jordon Chandler
Alternate -	Brett Hales, Mayor	Murray	No	Sarah Lawless
TOOELE COUNTY				Miranda Jones Cox
Member -	Kendall Thomas, Councilmember	Tooele County	Yes	Matt Ryan
Alternate -	Ed Hansen, Councilmember	Tooele City	No	Julie Bjornstad
WEBER COUNTY				Lauren Victor
Member -	Sharon Bolos, Commissioner	Weber county	Yes	Johnnae Nardone
Alternate -	Ken Phippen, Mayor	Farr West	Yes	Christy Dahlberg
Member -	Robert Dandoy, Mayor (Chair)	Roy	Yes	Tim Watkins
Alternate -	Gordon Cutler, Mayor	Uintah	No	Megan Padjen
OTHER APPOINTMENTS:				Jory Johner
Member -	Natalie Gochnour, Commissioner	Utah Transportation Commission	No	Marian Florence
Alternate -	Brad Dee, Commissioner	Utah Transportation Commission	Yes	Hugh Van Wagenen
Member -	Beth Holbrook, Trustee	UTA	Yes	Chay Mosqueda
Alternate -	Carlton Christensen, Trustee	UTA	Yes	Byron Head
Member -	Kevin Cromar, Board Member	Utah Air Quality Board	Yes	Ellie Spencer
Alternate -				Rosie Hernandez
Member -	Ari Bruening, Executive Director	Envision Utah	Yes	
Alternate -	Ryan Beck, Deputy Director	Envision Utah	No	



WASATCH FRONT REGIONAL COUNCIL

NON-VOTING MEMBERS			
Member -	Tiffany Pocock, Program Development Dir.	UDOT	Yes
Alternate -	Andrea Olson, Planning Director	UDOT	No
Member -	Nichol Bourdeaux, Chief Planning & Engmt Ofc	UTA	Yes
Alternate -	Russ Fox, Planning Manager	UTA	Yes
Member -	Bryce Bird, Director	Department of Air Quality	No
Member -	Ivan Marrero	Federal Highway Association	Yes
Alternate -	Trisha Sharma	Federal Highway Association	No
Member -	Lorin Palmer, Herriman City Mayor	Utah League of Cities & Towns	Yes
Member -	Dina Blaes, Salt Lake County	Utah Association of Counties	Yes
Member -	Julie Fullmer, Vineyard City Mayor	Mountainland Association of Governments	Yes
Member -	Lorene Kamalu, Commissioner (Vice Chair)	Davis County	Yes
Member -	Robert Schmidt	Utah Urban Land Institute	No
Member -	Laura Hanson	GOPB/Quality Growth Commission	Yes
Member -	Mary Catherine (MC) Perry	Salt Lake Chamber	No
Member -	Reid Ewing	University of Utah	Yes