

Tooele Valley RPO

Tooele City Hall, 90 North Main, Tooele

March 11, 2019, 1:30 PM

Note – Due to technical difficulties the audio recording of the meeting is not available.

Introductions (0:00)

1. Approve Minutes (1:40)

- i. Commissioner Kendall Thomas, Motion; Kim Clausing, Second. **Approved**

2. Overview of Public Comments Received on Draft Plan (2:15)

- a. Wayne Bennion of WFRC summarized the comments received. Public response was greater than in the past.
- b. Depot Boundary Road – a lot opposed, a few in favor
- c. Droubay Extension – a lot of comments on this project, for and against about equally divided
- d. Widening I-80 – moderate number in favor
- e. Midvalley Highway – moderate number in favor, a few opposed
- f. Oquirrh Expressway – a lot opposed: impact to residents and wildlife, benefits developers not residents, impacts to trails and petroglyphs, visual “pollution”
- g. SR-201 Extension – moderate number in favor
- h. Transcript of comments will be added to the website in the future. UDOT would like a copy of the comments for their records.

3. Transit Feasibility Study (about 19:00)

- a. Joe Taylor represented UTA on behalf of Levi Roberts. UTA is undertaking a feasibility study of rail and BRT service to Tooele Valley. UTA is considering adding a Flex route (a bus route that can deviate to accommodate passengers) in the spring between Tooele Valley and Salt Lake Valley during the middle of the day.
 - i. An initial meeting to discuss this will be held on March 27, 2019.

4. Midvalley Highway Update (24:46)

- a. Oanh LeSpradlin reported for UDOT and is coordinating with the Army Corps of Engineers to receive their comments. Construction is anticipated to begin August 2019 and will take about two years to complete. Surcharging and compaction will occupy the first year.
- b. An auxiliary lane will be added to I-80 westbound between SR-201 and SR-36. Impacts involve wetlands, so the design will take over a year.

5. I-80 Bridge Replacements Update (32:38)

- a. Pat Kalisz from Granite Construction reported for UDOT. Surcharging for the last 6 months is nearing completion. UPRR has lost some of its permitting staff so this process is taking longer. Temporary roads and retaining wall have been constructed but waiting on permits for the Blackrock structures. About 16” of compaction on the north side, 7” on the south side has been achieved so far for the Lakepoint Interchange structure.

6. Legislative Update (36:15)

- a. Wayne highlighted topics in transportation-related legislation.
 - i. UTA leadership
 - ii. Transportation funding/taxing
 - iii. Alternative fueled vehicles, UDOT modifications
 - iv. Motor vehicle related sales taxes are the main source for State funded highway capacity improvements. Considering expanded eligibility of this fund for active transportation. TTIF funds are designated for transit projects. WFRC has a bill tracker posted on the WFRC.org website.
 - v. Active transportation is also being discussed at the legislature.

7. Other Business (43:31)

- a. Grant Farnsworth, UDOT Region 2 Planning Manager, is investigating a corridor study to evaluate future connection needs for long term growth. Mayor Marshall of Grantsville suggested UDOT also evaluate use on Burmester Road as part of demand on SR-36.
 - i. I-80 truck route is critical to freight movement and will impact Tooele area during construction because alternate routes are not available.

8. Next Meeting (53:20)

- a. June 10, 2019, 1:30PM.

End 56:00

