

# Tooele Valley RPO

## Tooele City Hall, 90 North Main, Tooele

June 10, 2019, 1:30 PM

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### **Introductions** (0:00)

#### **1. Approve Minutes of meeting on March 11, 2019 (1:20)**

Mayor Brent Marshall, Motion.

Mayor Debbie Winn 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**Approved.**

#### **2. ACTION: Tooele Valley RPO Transportation Plan (4:00)**

Wayne Bennion shared materials documenting the Tooele Valley 2040 Transportation Plan. Wayne noted that the Plan serves to build awareness of transportation needs and is a valuable resource for further studies and pursuit of funding. A discussion of the content of the Plan followed. It was noted that the Plan remains open to modification as needs and conditions change. Projects currently in the Plan were selected based on transportation modeling of future conditions, local government involvement, and public comment.

Motion to approve the Plan as drafted by Commissioner Tom Tripp.

2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Kendall Thomas

**Approved.**

#### **3. Midvalley Highway Update (15:00)**

Oanh Le-Spradlin reported that the project was advertised later in May and will be open for bids for three weeks or more. Construction is expected to begin by August. The first year will be mostly for surcharging and soil settlement. The ground is exceptionally wet this year and cannot support construction equipment at this time. Construction will be completed in the second year. Oanh met with the contractors this morning. The 404 permit is being reviewed. UDOT is in the process of acquiring two critical properties. Concerns have been expressed about access to SR-138 and Sheep Lane.

#### **4. I-80 Bridge Replacements Update (19:00)**

Pat Kalisz reported that surcharging is underway and is nearing completion. There was a discussion about the safety concerns with left turning traffic from west side businesses crossing SR-36 to return to the freeway and how this would be impacted with a third lane being added southbound. Some suggestions included a raised median to prohibit left turns (which is opposed by some businesses), or a new road to take traffic leaving west side businesses to the traffic signal at Saddleback.

A question was raised about how the improvements would alleviate traffic congestion. It was explained that the new auxiliary lane will reduce weaving on I-80 from SR-201 to SR-36 and allow for more queue storage as vehicles exit at SR-36. Reducing congestion will result in fewer crashes and less demand on emergency services.

**5. Near-term Priorities (29:10)**

Wayne Bennion mentioned two study items of interest to the Committee.

1. Northeast Area Corridor Study
2. Transit Feasibility Study

Wayne asked the Committee for suggestions of other near-term needs. A discussion about safer pedestrian crossings on SR-36 at Bates Canyon and Mills Jct. followed. UDOT will look at potential improvements for these intersections.

**6. Other Business (56:00)**

The deadline for Safe Routes to School applications is July 19<sup>th</sup>.

**7. Next Meeting (57:00)**

Monday, September 9, 2019

End meeting (59:00)

