



TRANSPORTATION COORDINATING COMMITTEE (Trans Com)
Minutes of Meeting held
June 16, 2016

Chairman Bill Applegarth called Trans Com to order at 2:08 p.m. at the Wasatch Front Regional Council offices located at 295 North Jimmy Doolittle Road, Salt Lake City, Utah.

ATTENDANCE

Members:

Mitch Adams	Mayor, Clinton City
Bill Applegarth, Chair	Mayor, Riverton
Karen Cronin	Mayor, Perry City
Kelvyn Cullimore	Mayor, Cottonwood Heights
Brent Marshall	Mayor, Grantsville City
Robert McKinley	UTA Board of Trustees
Toby Mileski	Mayor, Pleasant View City
Norm Searle	Mayor, Riverdale City
JoAnn Seghini	Mayor, Midvale City

Others:

Wayne Bennion	Wasatch Front Regional Council
Kip Billings	Wasatch Front Regional Council
Steve Call	Federal Highway Administration
Dave Goeres	Utah Transit Authority
Andrew Gruber	Wasatch Front Regional Council
Ned Hacker	Wasatch Front Regional Council
Jeff Harris	Utah Department of Transportation
Scott Hess	Wasatch Front Regional Council
Vern Keeslar	Parametrix
Sam Klemm	Wasatch Front Regional Council/SLCOG
Ted Knowlton	Wasatch Front Regional Council
David Lloyd	Wasatch Front Regional Council
Andrea Pearson	Wasatch Front Regional Council
Matthew Silski	Wasatch Front Regional Council
Suzie Swim	Wasatch Front Regional Council
Dallas Wall	Utah Department of Transportation, Traffic & Safety
Ben Wuthrich	Wasatch Front Regional Council
Muriel Xochimitl	Wasatch Front Regional Council

Mayor Carmen Freeman, Mayor Beverly Macfarlane, Erin Mendenhall, Meghan Holbrook, and Dan McConkie were excused from the meeting.

1. Approval of Minutes

Mayor Bill Applegarth brought attention to the minutes of the April 21, 2016 meeting and asked if there were any questions. There were none. Mayor Kelvyn Cullimore moved that the minutes of the April 21, 2016 Trans Com meeting be approved as written. Mayor Toby Mileski seconded the motion, and the voting was unanimous.

2. Opportunity for Public Comment

Mayor Bill Applegarth opened to meeting up for public comments. There were no public comments.

3. Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

a. Report on Board Modifications to the 2016-2021 TIP

Ben Wuthrich, WFRC, reported that since the last meeting of Trans Com, WFRC received requests to modify the current 2016-2021 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The modification required action from Wasatch Front Regional Council and the Transportation Commission, but did not require a new air quality conformity analysis or a 30-day public comment period. He referred members to the packet for detailed information on Amendment Seven and asked if there were questions.

b. ACTION on Board Modifications to the 2016-2021 TIP

Ben Wuthrich reviewed requests the Wasatch Front Regional Council has received to modify the 2016-2021 TIP, Amendment Eight.

The six following projects are Chokepoint Projects that have been identified as Priority Projects within the Wasatch Front Regional Council Area. During the April Workshop of the State Transportation Commission, the list of Chokepoint projects was presented and each UDOT Region was charged with the responsibility to determine the cash flow and delivery schedule for the chokepoint projects within their jurisdiction. The cash flow available for the projects included the balances from the 2016 FAST ACT apportionments that were generated as a result of conservative programming prior to the approval of the new transportation bill. Due to the necessity to get these projects underway with preliminary engineering and design, they need to be amended into the 2016-2021 TIP/ STIP with their identified cash flow and delivery schedule to utilize the 2016 monies. The remaining chokepoint projects will continue through the Draft TIP/ STIP process to be approved in August.

- UDOT: Weber County – SR-39 (12th Street and Washington Blvd Intersection). This project will construct additional left turn lanes on all four legs of the intersection. Projected cost: \$2,500,000. Recommended funding: \$100,000 in 2016 for design and engineering, \$400,000 in 2017 for beginning construction and remaining \$2,000,000 in 2018 for project completion.
- UDOT: Weber County – SR-235 (400/450 East and 2700 North Intersection). This project will improve the turning movements at the intersection of 400/ 450 East and 2700 North. It will also contribute to a project on 400/ 450 East approved by the Regional Council for reconstruction and widening. Projected cost: \$2,000,000. Recommended funding: \$100,000 in 2016 for design and engineering, \$350,000 in 2017 for beginning construction and remaining \$1,550,000 in 2018 for project completion.
- UDOT: Davis County – SR-68 (Redwood Road; I-215 to Center Street in North Salt Lake) This project will widen the structure over I-215 to improve capacity and prevent traffic from backing onto I-215 and also improve safety on Redwood Road. It will also add a northbound lane from I-215 to Center Street. The project will tie in with an intersection project approved by the Regional Council at Redwood Road and Center Street. Projected cost: \$18,000,000. Currently funded: \$6,000,000. Recommended funding: \$250,000 in 2016 for design and engineering, \$2,000,000 in 2017, \$14,000,000 in 2018 and \$1,750,000 for project completion.
- UDOT: Salt Lake County – SR-111 (SR-111; SR-201 to 2700 South). This project will provide a full roadway reconstruction, including the addition of one lane in each direction, sign upgrades, drainage work, ITS and utilities and a second left turn lane from WB SR-201 to SB SR-111. Projected cost: \$6,698,000. Recommended funding: \$150,000 in 2016 for design and engineering, \$6,598,000 in 2017 for construction and project completion.

- UDOT: Salt Lake County – SR-210 (SR-210 at Wasatch Blvd). A new High-T intersection design will improve left turns into and out of Wasatch Blvd at SR-210 and significantly improve flow of traffic leaving Little Cottonwood Canyon during heavy canyon use days. Projected cost: \$10,000,000. Recommended funding: \$150,000 in 2016 for design and engineering, and \$9,850,000 in 2017 for construction and project completion.
- UDOT: Salt Lake County – SR-209 (9000 South; State Street to 700 East). This project will widen 9000 South from State Street to 700 East, including improvements to shoulder, curb, gutter, and sidewalk, where necessary. Projected cost: \$13,800,000. Recommended funding: \$300,000 in 2016 for design and engineering, and \$13,500,000 in 2017 for construction and project completion.

Mayor Bill Applegarth asked if there were any questions regarding this information. Committee members discussed the merits of some of these projects. Mayor Toby Mileski moved that Trans Com approve the resolution to modify the 2016-2021 TIP as requested. Mayor Mitch Adams seconded the motion and the voting was unanimous.

c. Action to Approve Draft 2017-2022 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and Air Quality Conformity Analysis for Public Comment

Ben Wuthrich presented and reviewed new projects for the Draft 2017-2022 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), a six-year program of highway, transit, and active transportation projects funded by federal, state, and local revenues. The six years include two years of concept development projects and four years of funded projects. The WFRC staff has worked with the Utah Department of Transportation (UDOT), the Utah Transit Authority (UTA), and the cities and counties in the region to compile the list of proposed projects for inclusion in a draft 2017-2022 TIP. Federal regulations require that the public be given an opportunity to review and comment on the TIP through a period of at least 30 days, that the TIP be approved by the Regional Council, that the TIP be financially constrained, and that the TIP be found to conform with state air quality plans. The WFRC staff has determined that the Draft 2017-2022 TIP conforms to air quality plans. Staff intends to make the draft TIP and air quality conformity determination available for public review during July.

Ben referred to the attachments in the packet that list the draft 2017-2022 TIP proposed projects for the Salt Lake/ West Valley and the Ogden/ Layton Urban Areas. These projects will help to implement long range plans, meet short range needs and provide for maintenance of existing facilities. The TIP includes all projects that will provide new construction, rehabilitation and maintenance, safety improvements, and active transportation improvements. It also represents millions of dollars, thousands of jobs, economic growth and development for our communities, improvements to mobility and access as well as preservation of life, all of which contributes to enhancing the quality of life for the Wasatch Front Region.

Andrew Gruber commented that WFRC works diligently to comply with all federal regulations, and thanked Steve Call, with the FHWA Utah Division office and his effective partnership with WFRC.

Ben highlighted several projects from the draft TIP. Committee members asked questions, and staff responded.

While only in early stages of development, WFRC, in collaboration with UDOT, has implemented an interactive map that identifies each project and allows users to click on a facility designated on the map to see important information regarding the project. Preliminary information in the dialogue box includes status of the project, date

planned/began, and amount funded. There is a place for public comment also included, and as each person comments, it will record the comment anonymously for another user to view.

Mayor Applegarth asked if all in attendance felt comfortable using an interactive map such as this, and requested a handout or tutorial with instructions. Muriel Xochimitl commented that the end goal is to have the map be as user friendly as possible, and staff are working on improvements and step by step instructions. Mayor Applegarth requested that there be a communication created for those Mayors who are not as involved in the council meetings. Muriel confirmed that the information will be more widely distributed.

Mayor Bill Applegarth asked if there were any questions or comments regarding this information. Mayor Brent Marshall moved that Trans Com approve the draft TIP and air quality conformity determination for public review. Mayor Kelvyn Cullimore seconded the motion and the voting was unanimous.

4. Active Transportation Report

Scott Hess, WFRC, presented information regarding the Active Transportation Committee. The ATC participated in exercises to establish regional priorities for active transportation during the summer of 2014 and late 2015. In addition to setting priorities, the ATC is working on a series of performance measures – ways to track and improve active transportation-related outcomes in our region. Together these are key guidelines for active transportation work for WFRC.

There are six performance measures that will be tracked annually and two that follow the RTP Cycle. The FHWA has recently released a ruling on pedestrian safety that will be incorporated into the ATC performance measures in order to be working with the most relevant and accurate data. How funding decisions are made has been a well-discussed topic. HB362, Proposition 1, and FAST Act have all assisted in making funding sources more accessible. The next step for the ATC will be to educate the public on how to safely utilize the systems and facilities. For the current TIP funding year, ATC has 28% of the funding related to improving active transportation with the purpose to bring attention to and create desire for more people to utilize active transportation options.

The question was asked if there was a formalized process for getting the performance measure information to the TAC first, before bringing it back to the Trans Com. It was confirmed by WFRC staff that there is a formal process in place.

5. Safety Report

Kip Billings, WFRC, presented information regarding safety trends and data. One of the goals of Utah's Unified Transportation Plan is safety. Within that goal, a key objective shared by UDOT, UTA and WFRC is to reduce the number of fatal and serious injuries on the transportation system. Detailed crash data is now available on the UDOT website known as Numetric. (udot.numetric.com) This site includes statewide crash data from 2010 to the present. The data can be displayed and analyzed in various formats including maps, charts, and tables. This valuable data resource is available for local governments to examine specific safety needs in their community. UDOT has also collaborated with Brigham Young University to create a crash prediction modeling system that has been used for evaluating key areas to focus on when planning improvement projects. Attendees Dave Goeres, UTA, and Dallas Wall, UDOT Traffic and Safety, were recognized for their work in researching, organizing and developing the safety data.

While the goal of Zero Fatalities is still not attained, improved vehicle safety features have made a positive impact on reducing the numbers of lives lost. However, serious/fatal accidents that can be attributed to distracted driving continue to be of great concern. Public

awareness and education efforts are priorities. The importance of this Committee advocating safety precautions, such as the following five behaviors, was emphasized: 1) always wear a seatbelt/safety harness, 2) do not drive impaired (alcohol, other substances,) 3) do not participate in aggressive driving (exceeding speed limit, tailgating,) 4) avoid distracted driving, (not paying attention due to an external distraction,) and 5) avoid driving while drowsy.

The presentation was opened up to questions. Statistics and data regarding motorcycle accidents was requested and it was suggested that this information would be made available. Public safety regarding railroad crossings was discussed and will also continue to be a priority for the region.

6. Other Business

Muriel Xochimitl, WFRC, gave a reminder that the Wasatch Choice 2050 Consortium and Active Transportation Health Summit will be held on Wednesday, June 29 at the Little America Hotel in Salt Lake City, in conjunction with the 50th anniversary conference of the National Association of Regional Councils (Sunday, June 26 through Tuesday June 28, 2016.)

Mayor Seghini inquired about autonomous vehicles and requested resources and information. It was suggested that this could be a topic for discussion at an upcoming Trans Com meeting.

Next meeting date: August 18, 2016

Mayor Bill Applegarth asked if there were any other items of business. There were none. With no further business, Mayor Kelvyn Cullimore motioned for the meeting to adjourn at 3:34 p.m. The motion was seconded by Mayor Mitch Adams and the decision was unanimous.