



## TRANSPORTATION COORDINATING COMMITTEE (Trans Com)

### Minutes

February 16, 2023

A meeting was held on Thursday, February 16, 2023, 2:00 pm, at WFRC Offices, 41 N. Rio Grande St, Salt Lake City, UT and via Zoom. The following were present:

2023 TRANS COM MEMBERS			
COG APPOINTED		OTHER APPOINTMENTS	
<b>BOX ELDER COUNTY</b>		<b>Utah Transportation Commission</b>	
Member - Kevin Jeppsen (Perry City)	No	Member – Kevin Van Tassell	No
<b>DAVIS COUNTY</b>		Member – Natalie Gochmour	No
Member - Mark Shepherd (Clearfield)	Yes	<b>UTA Board of Trustees</b>	
Alternate - Howard Madsen (Sunset)	No	Member – Carlton Christensen	No
Member - Tamara Tran (Kaysville)	Yes	Member – Beth Holbrook	Yes
Alternate - Kendalyn Harris (Bountiful)	No	<b>Utah Air Quality Board</b>	
<b>MORGAN COUNTY</b>		Member – Kevin Cromar	Yes
Member- Jared Andersen (Morgan County)	Yes	<b>NON-VOTING MEMBERS</b>	
Alternate - Robert McConnell (Morgan County)	No	<b>UDOT Representative</b>	
<b>SALT LAKE COUNTY</b>		Member – Teri Newell	Yes
Member - Robert Dahle (Holladay)	Yes	Alternate – Ben Huot	Yes
Member - Ann Granato (Salt Lake Co Council)	Yes	<b>UTA Representative</b>	
Member - Natalie Hall (Bluffdale)	Yes	Member - Russ Fox	No
Member - Joe Smolka (Emigration Township)	Yes	Alternate – Nichol Bourdeaux	No
Alternate - Trent Staggs (Riverton)	No	<b>Air Quality Board, Staff Representative</b>	
Alternate - Mike Weichers (Cottonwood Heights)	No	Bryce Bird	Yes
Alternate - Marcus Stevenson (Midvale)	No	<b>FHWA – Utah Division Representative</b>	
Alternate - Dan Dugan (Salt Lake City)	Yes	Ivan Marrero	Yes
<b>TOOELE COUNTY</b>		Jennifer Elsken	No
Member - Jared Hamner (Tooele County)	Yes	<b>Mountainland Association of Governments</b>	
Alternate - Doyle Garrard (Lake Point City)	Yes	Carolyn Lundberg - Lindon	Yes
<b>WEBER COUNTY</b>		<b>Other Attendees</b>	
Member – Jim Harvey (Weber County)	Yes	Brad Palmer, Dennis Pay,	
Alternate - Leonard Call (Pleasant View)	No	Nathan Cherpeski, Shule Bishop	
Member – Gordon Cutler (Uintah City)	No	<b>WFRC Staff</b>	
Alternate – Braden Mitchell (Riverdale)	No	Andrew Gruber, Andrea Pearson, Ben Wuthrich, Jordon Chandler, Kip Billings, Mike Sobczak, Miranda Jones Cox, Rosie Hernandez, Ted Knowlton, Wayne Bennion	

**1. Introductions and Consent Agenda**

Mayor Mark Shepherd, Chair, called the meeting to order at 2:04 pm and welcomed committee members and guests. Introductions were made around the table for those attending in person, and Rosie Hernandez, WFRC, read the names of those attending online.

- a. **ACTION: Approval of the [November 3, 2022](#), and [November 21, 2022](#), Meeting Minutes [00:03:33]** A motion was made by Kevin Cromar, Utah Air Quality Board, seconded by Mayor Joe Smolka, Emigration Township, that the minutes of the November 3, 2022, and November 21, 2022, meetings, be approved without changes. Motion carried unanimously.

**2. Chair Report [00:03:54]**

- a. **Legislative Update:** Mayor Shepherd turned the time over to Miranda Jones Cox, WFRC, who provided [an update](#) of the current 2023 Legislative Session and its impact on transportation and local government.

**3. Public Comment - [00:28:56]**

Mayor Shepherd opened the meeting to public comments. There were no public comments made.

**4. Trans Com Roles and Responsibilities and Schedule for 2023 - [00:29:10]**

Mayor Shepherd turned the time over to Wayne Bennion, WFRC, who reminded members of the purpose of the Transportation Coordinating Committee (Trans Com) and referred to the current [Memorandum of Agreement](#) included in the meeting materials. Mr. Bennion also presented a [schedule for Trans Com meetings](#) in 2023. Members were encouraged to review the proposed schedule and provide suggestions about any other topics they would like to discuss.

**5. Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) - [00:37:32]**

- a. **[Report](#): Staff Modifications to the 2023-2028 TIP**

Mayor Shepherd turned the time over to Ben Wuthrich, WFRC, who reminded the Committee that in 2021, Congress approved the Infrastructure Investment & Jobs Act (IIJA), authorizing the Carbon Reduction Program (CRP). This new resource provides funding from FFY 2022 to FFY 2026, Mr. Wuthrich explained that in order to avoid loss of CRP funds, previously programmed projects from the Congestion Mitigation Air Quality Program (CMAQ) have been moved into the first two years of CRP.

- b. **[Report](#): Board Modifications to the 2023-2028 TIP - [00:48:38]**

Mr. Wuthrich reported that there were requests to modify the current 2023-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The modification required action from the Wasatch Front Regional Council at its January 26, 2023, meeting and the State Transportation Commission; however, neither a new air quality conformity analysis nor a 30-day public comment period were required.

- c. **[ACTION](#): Board Modifications to the 2023-2028 TIP - [00:50:54]**

Mr. Wuthrich reported that there are new requests to modify the current 2023-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). This modification requires action from Trans Com (as delegated by the Regional Council) and the State Transportation Commission, but does not require a new air quality conformity analysis or a 30-day public comment period. Mr. Wuthrich briefly discussed each project.

**ACTION [00:57:00]:** Vice Chair and Commissioner Jim Harvey, Weber County, made a motion to approve the resolution to modify the 2023-2028 TIP as requested, seconded by Mayor Joe Smolka. The affirmative vote was unanimous.

- d. **Review of Fiscal Year 2022 obligation of federal highway and transit funds - [00:58:40]** Mr. Wuthrich reported that the IIJA requires all metropolitan planning organizations (MPO), state transportation departments, and public transportation operators to cooperate in preparing a report of federal funds obligated during the immediately preceding year. The WFRC staff, with the help of UDOT and UTA, has prepared a report of obligated federal, and local and state match funding during federal fiscal year 2022 (October 1, 2021, through September 30, 2022). For the State of Utah, these federal funds currently represent about twenty percent of the total highway and transit expenditures. Mr. Wuthrich briefly presented the Statewide and WFRC Region FFY 2022 Federal Highway Funds Obligation by project improvement type.
6. **Safe Street and Roads for All Update - [01:06:59]**  
Mayor Shepherd turned the time over to Kip Billings, WFRC, who provided a brief overview of the Safe Street and Roads for All (SS4A) Discretionary Grant Program. WFRC, on behalf of several counties and cities in the Wasatch Front Area, applied for a grant from the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) under this program. The grant is for the preparation of a Comprehensive Safety Action Plan (Action Plan) for the Weber, Davis, Salt Lake, Tooele, Morgan, and southern Box Elder County area. WFRC, in partnership with local governments, UDOT, and UTA will guide a consultant team in the development of the Action Plan. The goal of the SS4A program and the Action Plan is to prevent fatal and serious injury crashes principally on locally-owned roadways. FHWA has awarded WFRC \$775,200 in federal funds for this project under the IIJA. Combined with local and State matching funds, the total budget for this study is \$969,000. Completion of the Action Plan is targeted for May, 2024, which will make municipalities eligible to submit funding requests for safety improvements. Mr. Billings reported that the presumed deadline for implementation grant requests is September 2024.
7. **Other Business - [01:15:30]**  
Councilmember Dan Dugan, Salt Lake City, reported that Salt Lake City joined the Vision Zero Network with the goal of eliminating traffic fatalities.  
  
[01:16:15] Mayor Shepherd mentioned that WFRC's New Committee Member Orientation will be held on Thursday, February 23, 2023, and advised the group of the new meeting date for the next Trans Com meeting, which is scheduled for April 27, 2023.
8. **Overview of Utah Open and Public Meetings Act - [01:16:42]**  
With no further business, Mayor Shepherd stated that Utah State law requires that elected officials serving on committees such as those of the Wasatch Front Regional Council receive training regarding the Utah Open and Public Meetings Act. Mayor Shepherd said that an 8-minute video would be shown in order to comply with this requirement and asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting upon completion of the training video.  
  
**ACTION: [01:17:07]** Beth Holbrook, UTA, made a motion to adjourn the Trans Com meeting upon conclusion of the video, and Commissioner Jim Harvey seconded. The affirmative vote was unanimous.
9. **Adjournment - [01:25:20]**  
The video concluded and the meeting adjourned at 3:30 pm