



TRANSPORTATION COORDINATING COMMITTEE (Trans Com)

Minutes

August 17, 2023

A meeting was held on Thursday, August 17, 2023, 2:00 pm, at the 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	
BOX ELDER COUNTY		Utah Transportation Commission	
Member - Kevin Jeppsen (Perry City)	No	Member – Kevin Van Tassell	Yes
DAVIS COUNTY		Member – Natalie Gochmour	No
Member - Mark Shepherd (Clearfield)	Yes	UTA Board of Trustees	
Alternate - Howard Madsen (Sunset)	No	Member – Carlton Christensen	Yes
Member - Tamara Tran (Kaysville)	Yes	Member – Beth Holbrook	Yes
Alternate - Kendalyn Harris (Bountiful)	No	Utah Air Quality Board	
MORGAN COUNTY		Member – Kevin Cromar	Yes
Member- Jared Andersen (Morgan County)	No	NON-VOTING MEMBERS	
Alternate - Robert McConnell (Morgan County)	No	UDOT Representative	
SALT LAKE COUNTY		Member – Teri Newell	No
Member - Robert Dahle (Holladay)	Yes	Alternate – Tiffany Pocock	No
Member - Ann Granato (Salt Lake Co Council)	Yes	UTA Representative	
Member - Natalie Hall (Bluffdale)	Yes	Member - Russ Fox	No
Member - Joe Smolka (Emigration Township)	Yes	Alternate – Nichol Bourdeaux	Yes
Alternate - Trent Staggs (Riverton)	No	Air Quality Board, Staff Representative	
Alternate - Mike Weichers (Cottonwood Heights)	Yes	Bryce Bird	No
Alternate - Marcus Stevenson (Midvale)	Yes	FHWA – Utah Division Representative	
Alternate - Dan Dugan (Salt Lake City)	Yes	Ivan Marrero	No
TOOELE COUNTY		Jennifer Elsken	Yes
Member - Jared Hamner (Tooele County)	Yes	Mountainland Association of Governments	
Alternate - Doyle Garrard (Lake Point City)	Yes	Carolyn Lundberg - Lindon	No
WEBER COUNTY		WFRC Staff	
Member – Jim Harvey (Weber County)	Yes	Andrew Gruber, Andrea Pearson, Ben Wuthrich, Bert Granberg, Hugh Van Wagenen, Jeresun Atkin, Jordon Chandler, Lauren Victor, Lilah Rosenfield, Mike Sobczak, Rosie Hernandez, Ted Knowlton, Wayne Bennion	
Alternate - Leonard Call (Pleasant View)	No		
Member – Gordon Cutler (Uintah City)	No		
Alternate – Braden Mitchell (Riverdale)	No		
Other Attendees			
Alma Haskell Jacob Smith (Fruit Heights) Steve Van Maren			

1. Introductions and Consent Agenda [00:00:01]

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 Andrea Pearson, WFRC, read the names of those attending online.

a. ACTION: Approval of the [June 15, 2023, Meeting Minutes](#) - [00:02:00]

A motion was made by Dr. Kevin Cromar, Utah Air Quality Board, seconded by Councilmember Ann Granato, Salt Lake County, that the minutes of the June 15, 2023 meeting be approved with a modification to action item 4b, *Board Modifications to the 2023-2028 TIP*, to include the failed motion made by Dr. Cromar. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Chair Report - [00:02:42]

- a. Mayor Shepherd turned the time over to Deputy Director Ted Knowlton, WFRC, who provided a brief overview of the [Wasatch Choice Vision](#). The Wasatch Choice Vision is our communities' shared vision for coordinated transportation investments, development patterns, and economic opportunities. He demonstrated the newly launched and refreshed website, and navigated through the [Wasatch Choice Map](#). More information on the Vision can be found at wasatchchoice.org.

[00:13:51] Mayor Shepherd turned the time over to Director of Short Range Planning and Programming, Wayne Bennion, WFRC, who provided a brief update on an upcoming webinar intended to introduce the [Comprehensive Safety Action Plan](#) (CSAP) for the WFRC region. The CSAP will meet eligibility requirements that allow local jurisdictions to apply for Implementation Grants from the United States Department of Transportation (USDOT) [Safe Streets and Roads for All](#) (SS4A) program. More information can be found by visiting the project website at wfrcsafetyplan.org.

Mr. Bennion also reminded the group that the application period for submitting nominations for the Transportation Investment Fund (TIF), and the Transit Transportation Investment Fund (TTIF), is still open until August 31, 2023. More information can be found at the [UDOT Project Prioritization](#) website.

3. Public Comment - [00:16:10]

Mayor Shepherd opened the meeting to public comments. There were none.

4. Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) - [00:16:19]

a. ACTION: Board Modifications to the 2023-2028 TIP - [00:17:00]

Mr. Wuthrich reported that there were new requests to modify the current 2023-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). This modification requires action from 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.

[00:39:20] Mayor Tami Tran, Kaysville City, made a motion to recommend that the Regional Council approve the resolution to modify the 2023-2028 TIP as presented. Commissioner Jim Harvey, Weber County, seconded the motion. The motion passed by majority vote.

b. **ACTION: Recommend Approval of 2024-2029 TIP** [00:40:00]

Mr. Wuthrich continued by presenting the 2024-2029 TIP. A draft 2024-2029 TIP was reviewed by Trans Com in June (as delegated by the Regional Council) and approved to release for public review and comment.

The public comment period extended from June 24 through July 29, 2023. The extensive outreach included distribution to thousands of stakeholders about opportunities to provide public comment, an interactive map on WFRC's website, a news release, two open houses, coordination with UDOT and UTA, and social media posts. A summary of the public comments with respective responses is included in the meeting materials, along with the list of individual comments received. WFRC staff will work with local governments, UDOT, and UTA to address individual comments as appropriate. An analysis of the TIP completed by the WFRC staff shows that the 2024-2029 TIP conforms to the state air quality plans.

[00:55:00] Trustee Carlton Christensen, Utah Transit Authority, made a motion to recommend to the Regional Council the adoption of the resolution approving the 2024-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and the corresponding air quality conformity finding. Councilmember Granato seconded the motion. The motion passed by majority vote.

5. **WFRC Funding Opportunities for Local Governments** - [00:55:30]

Mayor Shepherd turned the time over to Mr. Bennion, who provided an overview of the Funding and Technical Assistance Programs for fiscal year 2024. The Wasatch Front Regional Council administers or assists with nine programs that provide resources for local governments, totaling approximately \$50 million annually.

These programs include:

- Surface Transportation Program (STP)
- Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ)
- Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP)
- Carbon Reduction Program (CRP)
- Transportation and Land Use Connection (TLC)
- Station Area Plan Technical Assistance (SAP)
- Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)
- Community Impact Board (CIB)
- Wasatch Front Economic Development District (WFEDD)

Detailed information on these programs and how to apply for funding can be found [here](#).

6. **ACTION: Self-Certification of Transportation Planning Process** - [01:03:20]

Mr. Bennion directed attention to the draft Urban Transportation Planning Process Certification exhibit information. He stated that each year when the Regional Council approves the Transportation Improvement Program, WFRC and UDOT also need to certify that the transportation planning process meets all federal planning requirements. The staff at WFRC, UDOT, and UTA have worked together to confirm that the federal requirements are being met.

[01:04:57] Commissioner Harvey made a motion to recommend that the Regional Council approve the resolution as presented. Mayor Joe Smolka, Emigration Township, seconded the motion. The motion passed by majority vote.

7. Other Business & Adjournment - [01:05:20]

Trustee Holbrook reported that the Utah Transit Authority is opening the Ogden Express (OGX), its newest Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) line, on Sunday, August 20, 2023.

Executive Director Andrew Gruber, WFRC, reported that Dr. Cromar will be joining the WFRC Regional Growth Committee, and thanked him for his service as a member of TransCom. He also reported that Mayor Jeff Silvestrini, Millcreek, who is also a member of the Air Quality Board, will be joining the Transportation Coordinating Committee.

[01:08:38] Mayor Shepherd reported that the next meeting will be held on November 9, 2023, and asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mayor Smolka made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Trustee Christensen. The motion passed by majority vote. The meeting ended at 3:13 pm.

A recording of this meeting, as well as meeting packet materials, may be found on the WFRC website at www.wfrc.org.