

SALT LAKE COUNTY COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

MINUTES

May 7, 2009
County Government Center

WELCOME

Mayor Money welcomed all to the meeting.

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Mayor Crane made the MOTION, seconded by Councilman Jensen, to approve the COG minutes of April 2, 2009. The motion passed unanimously.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Mayor Money reviewed the following meetings:

- Apr 7: Mayors Economic Stimulus Summit 9 -12 pm Holladay City
- Apr 9: Trans Com 2 pm WFRC
- Apr 15-17: ULCT – St. George
- Apr 14: Long Range Plan Committee for Chronically Homeless 12:30 pm WJ
- Apr 23: Conference of Mayors 11:30 am Sandy
- Apr 27: Emergency Services Training for Mayors 10-2 pm
- May 11: Water Suppliers Seminar 1-3 pm WFRC
- May 13: Mayors' Bike to Work Day

CITIZEN INPUT

There was none

PUBLIC WORKS

UTA Frontline 2015 Project Update

Mayor Crane introduced Mike Allegra, UTA, who gave an update on the progress and accomplishments of UTA to date. The Frontline project is 30% completed with \$1 billion dollars obligated. Project contractors have been procured.

Some stimulus funds have been obtained for the Mid Jordan line. 12% of all the stimulus funds in the country have come to UTA. Mr. Allegra stated there was about \$90 million advanced to UTA. A \$300 million dollar bond is being solicited for next year, aided by AAA bond rating.

UTA has purchased the old ZCMI building on 900 West 2100 South to be the new light rail maintenance facility. It will service low floor light rail vehicles in new construction. One of UTA's goals is to eliminate all ramped platforms. There is a low ramp vehicle in each grouping of light rail trains.

UTA's safety record continues with no accidents on the Mid Jordan line construction. They are developing quiet zones in railroad corridors where there will be no train whistling.

Light rail completion dates are as follows:

Mid Jordan line - 2011
West Valley line - 2011
Commuter line - 2012
Airport line - 2013
Draper line - 2013

Mr. Allegra thanked the mayors for their support of projects and indicated if anyone wanted field trips, he would be glad to provide those.

Overview of Transit Issues

Mr. Allegra reported on legislative changes that affect the UTA board. The number of board members will be reduced from 19 to 15 and the terms have changed to three 4 year terms. This should take place over the next year. Who will be eliminated has not been determined. The Draper commuter rails station has not been determined.

With regards to train station stops, he reported there is a stakeholder integration process being adhered to which considers archaeological and cultural impacts. Members include the Corps of Engineers, preservationists and the Governor's office.

Public hearings are going on with regards to changes with the ADA requirements, which states paratransit service is offered only to customers who live within $\frac{3}{4}$ of a mile of a fixed route. UTA has been picking up anyone who called and has slowly been scaling back to the ADA requirement. Paratransit service is a curb to curb service. He stated that all fixed route busses are handicap accessible. Paratransit qualified riders are able to ride fixed route for free.

UTA wants to pool resources and coordinate transportation trips with all the agencies who provide transportation services. There are about 65 agencies providing transportation for their clients.

UTA is also proposing to raise paratransit fares as well as eliminating the discount books.

Councilwoman Wilson made a MOTION, seconded by Mayor Wall, asking for a delay of any decision by the UTA board until January 2010 so local officials can look at more coordination efforts.

The Mobility Management Project, a collaborative study with WFRC, UTA, UDOT and MAG, has hired a consultant to research existing services and service providers as well as propose business plans to promote coordination.

UTA stated they are trying to find alternatives for those riders who have been identified as living outside the ¾ mile radius.

Mayor Applegarth made a SUBSTITUTE MOTION, seconded by Mayor Snarr, that the motion be tabled till the June 4 meeting to allow time to gather more financial information. Councilwoman Wilson specifically asked about detailed information on UTA's budget with regard to the cost of paratransit rides.

The motion passed with Mayor Wall in opposition.

Overview of UDOT Road Projects – Randy Park, UDOT Region 2 Director

Mr. Park reported that \$1 billion has been programmed in Salt Lake County this year for construction. This is bigger than the budget for the I-15 reconstruction in 2001. He gave a brief overview of the following projects:

- \$125 million for 4 new bridges on Beck Street
- SR 201 from 3200 W to 5600 W; adding a lane in each direction
- I-80 2300 E bridge work has been accelerated because of ARRA funds
- I-80 State Street to 1300 E for roadway reconstruction and interchange reconstruction
- 5 travel time signs in downtown SLC
- I-215 Interchange at 3500 South feasibility study
- 9000 S & 700 E Intersection improvement
- 90000 S & 450 W Intersection improvement
- 104th S & Redwood to Bangerter road reconstruction with widening
- 114th S State to Bangerter & I-15 Interchange and road construction
- State Street TRAX bridge completion and roadway reconstruction
- 106th S Interchange at I-15 - Sandy Freeway Beautification
- 700 E Carnation to 114th South & 123rd S intersection with widening
- SR 68 road reconstruction with widening near Bluffdale (4 miles long)
- Express land electronic payment system from sticker system to transponder
- Run-off- the-road safety mitigation project
- List of projects planned because of ARRA funds is available upon request

Mr. Park indicated that the percentage of ARRA money spent in Utah is the highest in the country.

The Utah State Legislature bonded for \$500 million for start construction on the Mountain View Corridor. They are hiring a contractor and designer to design and build the road (end of September 2009). Construction should begin on the south end of the road in February of 2010. They will begin at Redwood Road and go north. They will buy and build the right of way (two lanes in each direction) as well as buy land for the highway. There is approximately \$700 million dollars budget.

Road Project Mitigation Discussion – All

Mr. Parks indicated that UDOT visits with all businesses impacted by road construction projects. There is a public information manager on each project. They try to provide transportation access to every business.

South Jordan reported that they have set up a Citizens Business Committee to work with UDOT to make sure their local businesses are involved with the ongoing construction projects.

When asked what the cities could do to assist with the myriad road projects, Mr. Parks indicated that if noise ordinances were relaxed, they could do a lot of road work at night.

When pre-business meetings are held, UDOT was asked to involve county and local officials.

PHYSICAL RESOURCES – Mayor Dolan

Wasatch Canyons Tomorrow Update – Kevin Fayles, Envision Utah

Mr. Fayles stated that Envision Utah is facilitating a partnership with SL City, SL County and the State of Utah in updating the 1989 SL County Master Plan of the Wasatch Canyons. The US Forest Service is a supportive partner and is providing technical assistance. There will be public workshops held May 12 - 14, 2009. There is also a survey that is taking place that can be accessed at www.wasatchcanyons.slco.org. (Handouts available) He indicated that this study would probably take about a year. The canyons provide more than 50% of Salt Lake City's water supply and add significantly to the quality of life for residents of the SL Valley,

PUBLIC SAFETY – Councilman Anderson

Metro Gang Unit Task Force Update

Councilman Anderson introduced Steve Anjewierden and Curtis Robinson of the Salt Lake Area Gang Project. Due to the lack of time Mr. Anjewierden volunteered to do a presentation about the gang project to individual cities.

He indicated that they are a multi agency task force made up of members of SL County, the State and federal officers. Their mission is threefold:

1. Suppress gang crime which involves identifying gang members
2. Prevent gang crime. They are involved in community advisory boards, assisting with a tattoo removal program and assisting in community mobilization programs
3. Education involves teach the community about gangs and how to identify gangs. They also teach parents how to connect with community resources.
- 4.

The task force also does graffiti intelligence sharing with law enforcement and ordinance enforcement to enable them to identify commonalities throughout the country.

HUMAN SERVICES – Mayor Seghini

FTA JARC/New Freedom Program application ranking

In Mayor Seghini’s absence, Barbara Thomas reported that the Human Services Subcommittee acts as a clearing committee for FTA grants issued through UDOT. Applications for the Job Access and Reverse Commute (JARC) and New Freedom programs are ranked and recommended to the Wasatch Front Regional Council. The applications from SL were listed as follows:

Foundations for Independence \$121,650.00 (two years funding for vehicle & maint)
 UTA Travel Training Program: \$44,590.00
 UTA Route Deviation \$354,000.00
 Utah Dept of Human Svcs \$600,000.00 (development of a one stop call center & continuing the ride along attendant program)

The total amount recommended is \$1,140,240.00. There is an additional \$334,563 which was retained for dispersal in 2010. Each of these recommendations includes a two year allocation.

These recommendations go to WFRC for recommendation to the UDOT Public Transit team who then have a statewide selection team choose applications for funding from FTA.

Mayor Dolan made the MOTION, seconded by Mayor Cullimore, to adjourn the meeting at 3:45

PRESENT:

Mayor Claudia Anderson	Bluffdale	Michael Jensen	SL County
Bryant Anderson	Sandy	Mayor Kent Money	South Jordan
Mayor William Applegarth	Riverton	Mayor Dave Newton (Exc)	West Jordan
Mayor Ralph Becker	SLC	Mayor Dennis Nordfelt	WVC
Russ Brooks	WVC	Mayor Tom Pollard	Alta
Carlton Christensen	SLC	Mayor JoAnn Seghini (Exc)	Midvale
Mayor Peter Corroon	SL County	Mayor Darrell Smith (Exc)	Draper
Mayor Lynn Crane	Herriman	Mayor Dan Snarr	Murray
Mayor Kelvyn Cullimore	Ctnwd Hts	Mayor Russ Wall	Taylorville
Mayor Tom Dolan	Sandy	Mayor Dennis Webb (Exc)	Holladay
Mayor Bob Gray	So SL	Jenny Wilson	SL County
Kathy Hilton (Exc)	WJ	Barbara Thomas	Staff

OTHERS PRESENT

Kane Loader	Midvale	John Hiskey	Sandy City
Ben McAdams	SLC	Cherie Wood	So Salt Lake
Michelle Baguley	UTA/Herriman	Nicole Martin	Herriman
John Geilmann	South Jordan	Andy Hall	Draper
Ann Ober	SL Co	Greg Schultz	SL Co
Max Johnson	SL County	Jon Cox	Senator Bennett
Rita Lund	SL County	Janice Jardine	SLC Council
Jon Larsen	WCEC Engineers	Lianne Stillmann	Cottonwood Heights