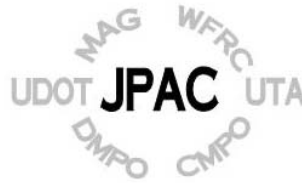


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Utah Transit Authority Boardroom

3600 South 700 West, Salt Lake City, UT 84119

Thursday, September 6, 2007

12:00 Noon

MINUTES

Members Attending:

Councilwoman Suzanne Allen
Mayor Lewis K. Billings
Mayor J. Lynn Crane
Burtis Bills
Chuck Chappell
Councilman Carlton Christensen
Commissioner Larry Ellertson
Mayor Jay Franson
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Highland (MAG)
Cache MPO
Utah Transportation Commission
Utah Transit Authority
Orem (MAG)

Others Attending:

Mike Allegra
Todd Beutler
Carlos Braceras
Mick Crandall
Dennis Dunn
Brent Gardner
Sharon Gray
Doug Hattery
Ahmad Jaber
Andrew Jackson
Sam Klemm
Andrea Packer
Lincoln Shurtz

Utah Transit Authority
General Manager, Cache County Transit District
Utah Department of Transportation
Utah Transit Authority
Mayor, Elkridge City
UAC
Wasatch Front Regional Council staff
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UDOT
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Utah Transit Authority
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Members Not In Attendance:

Orrin T. Colby, Jr.	Utah Transit Authority Board
Darrell Cook	Mountainland Association of Governments (MAG)
Commissioner Craig Dearden	Weber County (WFRC)
Lowell Elmer	Dixie MPO
Mayor Matthew Godfrey	Ogden City (WFRC)
Todd Jensen	UDOT
Mayor Mike Johnson	Millville City (Cache MPO)
Commissioner Bret Millburn	Davis County (WFRC)
Commissioner Kent Millington	Utah Transportation Commission
John Njord	Utah Department of Transportation
Mayor Dennis Nordfelt	West Valley City (WFRC)
Mayor John Petroff, Jr.	West Point City (WFRC)
Mayor Darrell Smith	Draper (WFRC)
Mayor Russ Wall	Taylorsville (WFRC)

The meeting began at 12:22 p.m. with Mr. Chuck Chappell conducting.

Mr. Darrell Cook, Mayor Darrell Smith, Commissioner Bret Millburn, and Mr. Lowell Elmer were excused from the meeting.

Approve the August 2, 2007 Meeting Minutes

Councilwoman Suzanne Allen moved to approve the minutes of the June 7, 2007, meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Jeff Gilbert, and passed unanimously.

Overall Status of the 2015 Plan

Mr. John English reported that the federal government requires an annual count of ridership miles for the National Transit database report. He stated that UTA counts and reports bus ridership once each month. He noted that in the past UTA has had problems with under reporting, however, he stated that those problems have been corrected. He noted that the problem with the TRAX counters has also been corrected. He stated that UTA is now using smarter and better infrared measuring technology.

Mr. Mick Crandall presented a PowerPoint presentation on UTA's Transit 2015 financing program. He stated that the Mid-Jordan LRT and the Draper LRT will be financed with federal funds and the FrontRunner south, the West Valley LRT, and the Airport, LRT will not.

Mr. Crandall discussed the following sections of UTA's program:

- Program Goals & Objectives
- Program Principles
- Transit 2015 Schedule
- Progress Report
- Summary of Operating and Maintenance Costs
- Capital Cost Summary (2007-2030)
- Key Assumptions – Operating and Maintenance Revenue

- Annual Growth in Taxable Sales – Utah
- Summary of Operating and Maintenance Revenues
- Summary of Transit 2015 Program
- Summary of Capital Revenues – Local and Federal
- Summary of Capital Revenues – Debt Financing
- Key Points
- Key Financial Performance Indicators
- Annual Ending Capital Balance 2007-2030
- Risks and Uncertainties

Mr. Crandall reported that Commuter rail south will open in 2012, Mid Jordan LRT will open in 2011, West Valley LRT will open in 2012, Draper LRT will open in 2013, and the Airport LRT will open in 2014.

Roundtable Discussion – Corridor Preservation

Commissioner Larry Ellertson headed up a roundtable discussion on Corridor Preservation in the region. He explained that although funding sources for Corridor Preservation are available from UDOT, the \$10.00 increase in vehicle registration fees, and the additional ¼% sales tax, additional funding sources need to be found.

JPAC members discussed additional ways to fund Corridor Preservation which included the following:

- Partnerships with development
- City Impact Fees
- Local Governments providing Right-of-Way
- State Road development
- Regional or State-wide Impact Fees

JPAC members discussed possible collection and transmission of funding. It was noted that a new system could be implemented that would include a “closing or transfer fee” in closing documents. Commissioner Ellertson stated that an active process needs to be in place, and noted that this process would take time and creativity.

Mayor Billings asked the staff to look for 2/3 best practices in other jurisdictions, and put on a future JPAC agenda.

Panel on Funding for Local Roads

Mr. Lincoln Shurtz, representing the Utah League of Cities and Towns; Mr. Brent Gardner, representing the Utah Association of Counties; Mayor Jerry Washburn, representing the Joint Highway Committee; and Mr. Chuck Chappell, representing Utah’s Metropolitan Planning Agencies, participated in a panel on funding for local roads.

Mr. Chappell stated that this panel was put together to present and discuss ideas to present to the Legislature regarding funding for Surface Arterial Systems. He stated that the reasons for discussing these ideas include:

- Debate around federal reauthorization
- State dipping into local revenue
- From \$10.00 registration fee / Legislature mandated 70% of the local funding for the State system
- Cost/effectiveness is better for smaller projects, many of them local
- Other areas are increasing their local funds for local projects - examples include:
 - Texas, Phoenix, and Tucson
 - California (self help counties - 13 counties participate)
 - Nevada – Las Vegas has county option gas tax
 - Colorado – Pikes Peak authorized collection of funds

Mr. Chappell, representing Utah's Metropolitan Planning Agencies, stated that our region will be facing a crisis in coming years. He felt that besides looking at funding for the region, local officials also need to implement more compatible Land Use Plans.

Mayor Jerry Washburn, representing the Joint Highway Committee, felt that the region has done an excellent job of explaining the region's highway needs to the Legislature. He expressed his concern relating to the need to include additional sources of revenue, as the Legislature provides funding for state highways, but not local roads. He suggested that a model access management plan for local communities be developed.

Mr. Lincoln Shurtz, representing the Utah League of Cities and Towns, expressed his concern relating to the State's priorities that never include local roads. He felt the Legislature should be made aware of needed local roads that are not funded. He also felt local government officials and the Legislature were disconnected. He suggested that a consistent methodology of reporting be implemented, as currently every county and city reports are different.

Mr. Brent Gardner, representing the Utah Association of Counties, stated that when the Legislature prioritizes road projects, local roads are never included. He felt that until the Legislature decides that local roads are important, funding won't be provided.

JPAC members discussed working together, compatibility and regional cooperation, and maintenance needs and noted the importance of getting it all on the table. They also discussed the possibility of establishing special assessment districts.

Mr. Chappell was given the O.K. to move ahead with the following:

1. Develop a Uniform Survey for needs
2. Define potential funding sources
3. Analyze the impact of major development on the transportation system

Other Business

Next Meeting: The next JPAC meeting will be held on October 4, 2007, at 12:00 (noon).

The meeting adjourned at 1:50 p.m.