

TRANSPORTATION COORDINATING COMMITTEE

Minutes of Meeting held February 18, 2010

Commissioner Bret Millburn called Trans Com to order at 2:05 p.m. at the Wasatch Front Regional Council offices located at 295 North Jimmy Doolittle Road, Salt Lake City, Utah. Commissioner Millburn welcomed Mayor Mike Winder, Mayor Brent Marshall and Commissioner Dannie McConkie as new members of Trans Com.

ATTENDANCE

Members:

Bret Millburn, Chair	Commissioner, Davis County
Carlton Christensen	Councilman, Salt Lake City
Darrell Smith	Mayor, Draper City
Brent Marshall	Mayor, Grantsville City
Steve Curtis	Mayor, Layton City
Doug Clifford	Mayor, Pleasant View City
Bill Applegarth	Mayor, Riverton City
Mike Winder	Mayor, West Valley City
Terry Diehl	UTA Board of Trustees
Dannie McConkie	Utah Transportation Commission

Others:

Derk Timothy	Mayor, Bluffdale City
Shane Greenwood	South Jordan City
John Baza	West Bountiful City Council
Ben White	West Bountiful City Engineer
Ahmad Jaber	Utah Department of Transportation
Kevin Griffin	Utah Department of Transportation – Region 1
Cory Pope	Utah Department of Transportation – Region 2
Mick Crandall	Utah Transit Authority
Chuck Chappell	Wasatch Front Regional Council
Wayne Bennion	Wasatch Front Regional Council
Doug Hattery	Wasatch Front Regional Council
Ned Hacker	Wasatch Front Regional Council
Sam Klemm	Wasatch Front Regional Council
Barbara Thomas	Wasatch Front Regional Council
Ben Wuthrich	Wasatch Front Regional Council
Renae Bodily	Wasatch Front Regional Council

1. MINUTES

ACTION: Mayor Marshall moved that the minutes of the November 19, 2009, Trans Com meeting be approved as written. Mayor Curtis seconded the motion, and the voting was unanimous.

2. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments.

3. PROPOSED SCHEDULE FOR 2010 AND DISCUSSION OF TRANS COM'S ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Commissioner Millburn asked Trans Com members to look at Trans Com's schedule for 2010 and the list of topics that will be discussed. Remaining meetings in 2010 are scheduled for April 15, June 17, August 19, and November 18.

Wayne Bennion said that the Transportation Coordination Committee's (Trans Com's) responsibility relates to the 6-year Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). A primary role of Trans Com is to recommend which transportation projects receive Surface Transportation Program (STP) funds and Congestion Mitigation / Air Quality (CMAQ) funds within the Salt Lake and Ogden-Layton Urbanized Areas.

Trans Com focuses on short range planning issues and provides a forum for cooperative discussion about projects by identifying potential opportunities or problems early on.

4. TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

A. Report on WFRC Board Modification to the 2010-2015 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Ben Wuthrich reviewed the following two requests from UDOT to modify the current 2010-2015 TIP:

- 1. *An additional lane on I-215 on-ramps to southbound I-15 - \$7 million.* (\$5 million is available from the SR-201 - Bangerter Highway to 5600 West project; and \$2 million is available from the I-80 - Kimball Junction to Silver Creek project. Extra funds in both of these projects resulted from favorable bids and good construction management.)**
- 2. *A study to construct a new interchange on Bangerter Highway and 600 West - \$3.5 million.* (The additional funding requested for this project is available by replacing the SR-140 - 14600 South realignment project.)**

Mr. Wuthrich said these Board Modifications were approved at the Regional Council meeting on January 28, 2010 and this report is for Trans Com's information only.

B. ACTION on Board Modifications to the 2010-2015 TIP

Mr. Wuthrich reported on the following request from UDOT:

Requested additional Ogden/Layton Urban STP funds for the 1800 North project to include the study of a possible interchange at 1800 North on I-15 - \$700,000 in STP funds (If additional funding is added now, it would save money and eliminate duplication of work. The \$700,000 would come from unprogrammed funds made available due to ARRA funding.)

ACTION: Mayor Curtis moved that Trans Com approve the Resolution to modify the 2010-2015 TIP as requested. Mr. Diehl seconded the motion and the voting was unanimous.

C. Review of Fiscal Year 2009 obligation of federal highway and transit funds

This item was postponed until Trans Com's April 15 meeting.

D. Potential projects for second stimulus package

Mr. Wuthrich said that on December 16, 2009, the House passed the "Jobs for Main Street Act." As Congress works to prepare this economic stimulus package, the Wasatch Front Regional Council (WFRC) staff has been working with UDOT and UTA to identify eligible and ready projects to utilize the proposed funds in case the funding becomes a reality.

Mr. Wuthrich briefly reviewed a list of projects from the Salt Lake and Ogden-Layton Urbanized Areas that could possibly be under contract or construction within 90 days. Also listed were maintenance, preventative, rehabilitative, and bridge projects UDOT has identified.

E. ACTION of Proposed Modifications to Evaluation Criteria for Urban Surface Transportation Program (STP)

Mr. Bennion said that last year the Technical Committees requested that the evaluation criteria for Urban STP projects be reviewed to ensure that new construction projects submitted for consideration are not at a disadvantage. A subcommittee developed potential modifications to the evaluation criteria.

Mr. Bennion reviewed a chart (included in member's packets) that compared previous evaluation criteria with the proposed changes to the criteria. Changes were proposed for delay reduction, growth principles/ economic improvement, and operation, TSM, TDM, and ITS improvement categories.

Mr. Bennion gave an example of how the proposed evaluation criteria change could affect projects. Last year the proposed 6200 South new construction project scored sixth from the bottom; with the proposed criteria changes that project would now be in the upper third.

ACTION: Mayor Winder moved that Trans Com approve the proposed modifications to the Urban STP evaluation criteria. Mayor Curtis seconded the motion and the voting was unanimous.

Mr. Bennion distributed a list of 2011-2016 "Project Evaluation Concept Reports" submitted as of January 27, 2010 for Trans Com's review.

5. MOBILITY MANAGEMENT UPDATE

Mr. Hattery explained that the Wasatch Front Regional Council, the Mountainland Association of Governments and the Utah Transit Authority are jointly conducting a Mobility Management Study to identify strategies to make better, more efficient use of the existing resources to provide transportation for older adults, persons with disabilities and low income persons. He said a consultant was hired to help coordinate these efforts.

Mr. Hattery said some recommendations that have come out of studies, workshops and open houses are to take small steps to develop trust between different agencies and to move towards a brokerage/call center to improve and expand available transportation options.

Mr. Hattery said on January 21, 2010 a successful mobility management summit was held at the State Capitol to present the recommendations of many stakeholders who had participated in the study. The consultant recommended that the first step be to create a regional coordinating council what would include state, local and private agencies and transportation providers. The first meeting of this council will be held on March 2nd. Mr. Hattery said it is hoped that by July 1st a mobility management coordinator will be hired by the Regional Council.

Councilman Christensen asked how is trust built among the participants? Mr. Hattery responded that some steps might include creating a council, preparing a list of available services, providing used vehicles to smaller cities, driver training, and dispatching. He said it could take over a year to build up relationships so entities know they can work together and want to be a part of the Mobility Management program.

Ms. Thomas said that so far 25 people have been invited to join the new mobility management council. It is hoped that elected officials will also be on the council. She invited Trans Com members to let her know if anyone would like to be on the council.

6. UTAH STATE LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Sam Klemm reported on the following transportation related bills currently being discussed at the 2010 General Session of the State Legislature:

SPONSOR	BILL NUMBER	SUMMARY	STATUS
Rep. Draxler	HB 102	Creates an agriculture sustainable fund to purchase conservation easements of agricultural land	Held in the House Agriculture Committee
Rep. Noel	HB 131	Lowers bid limit requirement on B&C road construction to \$50,000 from \$125,000	Not yet assigned to a committee
Rep. Frank	HB 210	Requires entities exercising eminent domain to pay attorney's fees if they lose a lawsuit challenging the value of the property taken	Not yet assigned to a committee

Rep. Harper	HB 351	Would allocate additional ¼ of the ¼ money to Salt Lake County highway projects through bonding	Short Title Only
Rep. Sumsion	HB 361	Public Transit Amendments	Short Title Only
Rep. Ipson	HB 405	Transportation Surcharge	Short Title Only
Sen. Neiderhauer	SB 30	Recodification of existing sales tax law relative to transportation would repeal ability of county legislative body to impose the 3 rd quarter sales tax	On House 3 rd Reading Calendar
Sen. Morgan	SB 38	Would open HOV lanes to general use during non-peak hours	Withdrawn
Sen. Hillyard	SB 81 2 nd Sub.	Requires entities exercising eminent domain to pay attorney's fees if they lose a lawsuit challenging the value of the property taken	Senate 2 nd Reading Calendar
Sen. Madsen	SB 162	Dedication of a Highway	Short Title Only
Sen. Madsen	SB 186	Emissions Inspection	Short Title Only
Sen. McAdams	SB 215	Transportation Revisions	Short Title Only
Sen. Jenkins	SB 262	Modifications to Transportation	Short Title Only
Sen. Stevenson	SB 272	Transportation Amendments	Short Title Only

7. OTHER

Mr. Hattery said that the Regional Council would be having an orientation meeting for new members of the Council, or any others that would like to attend, on Thursday, February 25 at 2:00 p.m.

The meeting ended at 3:10 p.m.

Next meeting: April 15, 2010