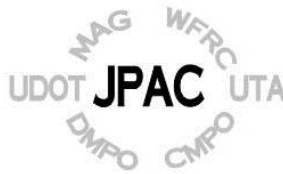


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DIXIE METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION



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CACHE METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

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669 West 200 South
Salt Lake City, Utah 84101

Thursday, August 2, 2013
10:30 a.m.

MINUTES

Members Attending:

Andrew Gruber, Chair	WFRC
Mayor Bill Applegarth	Riverton City
Carlos Braceras	UDOT
Councilman Carlton Christensen	Salt Lake City
Commissioner Jim Eardley	Washington County
Commissioner Larry Ellertson	Utah County
Jim Gass	Smithfield City
Jeff Gilbert	CMPO
Commissioner Meghan Holbrook	Transportation Commission
Andrew Jackson	MAG
Myron Lee	Dixie MPO
Commissioner Bret Millburn	Davis County Commission
Commissioner Kent Millington	Transportation Commission
Commissioner John Petroff	Davis County
Mayor JoAnn Seghini	Midvale City
Matt Sibul	UTA
Bryan Thiriot	Five County Assoc. of Governments

Others Attending:

Brian Carver	BRAG
William Champneys	UTA
Doug Hattery	WFRC
Sam Klemm	WFRC
Shane Marshall	UDOT
Steve Meyer	UTA
Kris Peterson	UDOT
Curtis Roberts	CVTD
Vic Saunders	UDOT
Rod Terry	UDOT
Mayor Randy Watts	Logan City
John English	WAVE
Michael Masquelier	WAVE
Wesley Smith	WAVE
Hunter Wu	WAVE
James May	WAVE
Zachary Kahn	WAVE
Clarke Miyasaki	WAVE

Cache Valley Tour

JPAC members toured the Utah State University affiliated Wireless Advanced Vehicle Electrification (WAVE) rechargeable bus facilities. Company official's introduced JPAC members to the technology which will be used for the University of Utah campus shuttle beginning later this year, and provided a ride on a fully rechargeable electric prototype bus. JPAC members then toured Logan's 10th West Roadway Project.

JPAC Meeting

Mayor Randy Watts welcomed JPAC members to Logan and highlighted a few of the region's transportation issues. Andrew Gruber welcomed JPAC Members to JPAC and Logan.

Cache Transportation Overview

CMPO Transportation Planner Jeff Gilbert provided an overview of transportation related issues for Cache County. Mr. Gilbert reviewed local demographics and growth trends. He indicated that Logan is one of the largest metro areas that is not associated with an interstate freeway system. Mr. Gilbert indicated that Cache households have the highest trips per household rate in Utah while trips are shortest distance and duration. Cache also has one of the highest trip mode share by bicycle, pedestrian and transit in the state of Utah. Mr. Gilbert reviewed with the group some of the future plans dealing with congestion on the Main Street Highway 89/91 corridor. Projects are underway to increase capacity for north-south travel (200 East, 10th West). Planners are also starting to evaluate the possibility of a series of one or more north-south one-way couplet street configurations.

Curtis Roberts from CVTD presented an overview of the current CVTD bus system and discussed some future plans and needs. Mr. Roberts discussed the rationale for keeping the system fare free. Mr. Roberts also discussed some of the challenges CVTD faces in providing connections to Wasatch Front destinations.

Highway Access Management

Kris Peterson, Director, UDOT Region One, presented information on highway access management. UDOT Executive Director, Carlos Braceras, introduced Mr. Petersen and made mention of the emphasis and cooperation UDOT sees for access management in Cache County. Mr. Gilbert indicated that local support for access management dates back many years when the Chamber of Commerce contributed funding to help develop an Access Management Pilot Program. All but one community in Cache adopted the Access Policy Ordinance.

Mr. Petersen pointed out the connection of access management to the four strategic goals of UDOT. Access management is supportive of three of the strategic goals including increasing safety. Access management is striking that balance between mobility and access to property. Mr. Petersen spoke of the benefits of corridor agreements and shared statistics on the benefits of access management. Proper application will reduce accidents, decrease travel time and reduce congestion and vehicle emissions.

Mr. Petersen highlighted the findings of a recent study done on raised medians and their impact on adjacent economic activities. The analysis showed that medians did not have any impact on the overall economic activity of the associated land uses.

Mr. Gilbert and Mr. Petersen spoke about the success at and cooperation achieved by the Cache Access Management Program (CAMP).

Transportation Funding Discussion Update

Andrew Gruber updated JPAC on state level transportation funding discussion. Mr. Gruber indicated that much of the discussion has centered on local option taxes. The Utah League of Cities and Towns (ULCT) and Utah Association of Counties (UAC) along with Mayors of Salt Lake County have been working together to develop ideas for generating more revenue. The Salt Lake County Association of Mayors has endorsed the effort for finding additional local revenue for local transportation needs. The most focus has been on a local option gas tax at the county level with some support for a local option sales tax on fuel. Transit funding is also being considered.

Mayor Applegarth spoke about the fact that B & C road funds are not keeping pace with local needs and indicated that in conversations with state legislators they have indicated there would be support for seeking new revenue if the locals lead out on the issue.

The group talked about the funding challenges that the states face at a national level. Mr. Gruber pointed out that the consensus seems to be that Utah would be better served by not waiting for those national issues to be solved, but move forward with appropriate state and local solutions.

Other Business

Next Meeting Thursday, September 5, 2013 – UTA Frontlines Headquarters

Meeting adjourned at 1:30 p.m.