



TRANSPORTATION COORDINATING COMMITTEE (Trans Com)

Minutes of Meeting held

August 15, 2013

Chairman Darrell Smith called Trans Com to order at 2:00 p.m. at the Wasatch Front Regional Council offices located at 295 North Jimmy Doolittle Road, Salt Lake City, Utah. Mayor Smith introduced and welcomed Matt Robinson, Mayor Pro Tem of Herriman City. The following asked to be excused: Councilman Jensen, Mayor Clifford, Mayor Cullimore, Mayor Rechtenbach, Commissioner Bell, Commissioner Holbrook, Commissioner McConkie and Commissioner Millburn.

ATTENDANCE

Members:

Darrell Smith, Chair	Mayor, Draper City
Mitch Adams, Vice Chair	Mayor, Clinton City
Tina Kelley	Councilmember, Morgan County
Brent Marshall	Mayor, Grantsville City
Steve Hiatt	Mayor, Kaysville City
JoAnn B. Seghini	Mayor, Midvale City
Richard Harris	Mayor, North Ogden City
Bill Applegarth	Mayor, Riverton
Jan Zogmaister	Commissioner, Weber County
Matt Sibul	Utah Transit Authority
Ben Southworth	Utah Transit Authority Board of Trustees

Others:

Matt Robinson	Mayor Pro Tem, Herriman City
Brett Wood	Herriman City
John Hiskey	Sandy City
Ron Phillips	Phillips Associates, Inc.
Jesse O. Glidden	Utah Department of Transportation – Region 1
Kris Peterson	Utah Department of Transportation – Region 1
Jason Davis	Utah Department of Transportation – Region 2
Chris Potter	Utah Department of Transportation
Stan Adams	Utah Department of Transportation
Daniel Page	Utah Department of Transportation
Andrew Gruber	Wasatch Front Regional Council
Wayne Bennion	Wasatch Front Regional Council
Doug Hattery	Wasatch Front Regional Council
Ted Knowlton	Wasatch Front Regional Council
Ali Oliver	Wasatch Front Regional Council
Ben Wuthrich	Wasatch Front Regional Council
Rena Bodily	Wasatch Front Regional Council

1. MINUTES

ACTION: Mayor Marshall moved that the minutes of the June 20, 2013 Trans Com meeting be approved as written. Mr. Southworth seconded the motion, and the voting was unanimous.

2. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no comments.

3. TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP)

A. ACTION on Board Modifications to the 2013-2018 TIP

Ben Wuthrich, WFRC, reviewed two requests the Wasatch Front Regional Council had received to modify the 2013-2018 Transportation Improvement Program:

- ***UDOT – Redwood Road (SR-68); 2100 South to California Avenue – Scope Change.*** The scope of this project is proposed to change to include a drainage system, curb and gutter, and work on the bridge deck in addition to the original pavement reconstruction. There is no change in funding.
- ***UDOT – I-215; 700 East over I-215 – Funding request of \$530,000 from unspent State Bridge Program funds for this new project.*** This project will repair and protect the deck, seal the parapets, and perform minor substructure rehabilitation in order to extend the life of the structure.

Trans Com members discussed how federal funds are distributed throughout the State and approved by various MPOs in their respective areas.

ACTION: Mayor Applegarth moved that Trans Com approve the resolution to modify the 2013-2018 TIP as requested. Mayor Hiatt seconded the motion and the voting was unanimous.

B. Report on Major UDOT and UTA Projects

Kris Peterson, UDOT's Region 1 Director, reported on the following projects:

- **West Davis Corridor**
Proposed 20 mile corridor; recommended alternative B1
Estimated project cost of \$600 million
UDOT is anticipating a Record of Decision in mid-2014
- **SR-193 Extension**
2000 West to State Street (3 miles of new road)
Funding: \$69 million budget
Targeted completion: June 2014
- **I-15 Express Lanes**

Northbound and (potentially) Southbound express lanes from North Salt Lake to Farmington; two improved interchanges at 500 South and 2600 South; new structures at 1500 South and 400 North

Funding: \$116 million

Targeted completion: Fall 2015

Jason Davis, UDOT's Region 2 Director, reported on the following projects:

- **Mountain View Corridor**

New segment: 5400 South to 4100 South

Funding: \$180 million

Targeted completion: Fall 2016

- **I-15 Point**

7 miles: 12300 South to SR-92; 1 to 2 additional lanes

Funding: \$247 million

Targeted completion: Winter 2015

Ben Southworth, UTA Board of Trustees, reported briefly on the Draper TRAX line opening scheduled for that week, the completion of the Frontlines 2015 Program and UTA's future to "make transit the first choice."

Matt Sibul, Chief Planning Officer at UTA, spoke on UTA's vision to make transit more accessible and frequent; make transit easy to use; integrate transit with biking, walking, and car sharing; and to help build communities around transit stations and corridors. He reported on UTA's current core network and the plan to expand through 2025 with various modes of transit. Mr. Sibul said UTA's current five-year horizon is to optimize the transit investments just completed and work with policy makers and the public to implement the next steps of the Unified Plan.

C. ACTION to recommend approval of the 2014-2019 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and air quality conformity determination

Mr. Wuthrich said that the Wasatch Front Regional Council is responsible for developing the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) on an annual basis. The TIP is a six-year program of highway and transit projects funded by federal, state and local funds. WFRC staff works with UDOT, UTA, and local governments in the region to compile the list of projects for inclusion in the TIP.

Mr. Wuthrich pointed out the Draft 2014-2019 TIP tables and Conformity Finding included in the Trans Com packets. He said if anyone has any questions regarding the tables to please contact him. A public comment period was held from June 29 through August 3, with open houses in Ogden, Farmington and Salt Lake City. No comments were received.

Mr. Wuthrich described a pilot program included in the draft TIP for FY 2014 of \$400,000 in STP funds for planning assistance to local governments. An example of assistance might be helping communities use the Wasatch Choice for 2040 toolbox to enhance centers and corridors.

Mr. Wuthrich said the TIP is financially constrained and conforms to the state air quality plans, using the latest planning assumptions and models. The Salt Lake/ West Valley and the Ogden/ Layton Area Technical Committees and the WFRC staff recommend that the 2014-2019 TIP be approved.

ACTION: Mayor Hiatt moved that Trans Com recommend to the Regional Council the adoption of the Resolution approving the 2014-2019 Transportation Improvement Program and the Conformity Finding for the 2014-2019 TIP. Mayor Harris seconded the motion and the voting was unanimous.

4. ACTION ON SELF-CERTIFICATION OF PLANNING PROCESS

Mr. Wuthrich stated that each year the Regional Council and UDOT certify to the Federal Highway Administration and the Federal Transit Administration that the transportation planning process is addressing the major transportation issues facing the metropolitan planning area and is being conducted in accordance with all applicable requirements of the Code of Federal Regulations. FHWA and FTA also conduct a Certification Review of WFRC every four years and that review will be conducted next week.

Some of the key work products that WFRC develops are documented in the self-certification, including:

- Regional Transportation Plan (RTP)
- Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)
- Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)
- Air Quality and Conformity
- Public Involvement

Mr. Wuthrich said WFRC, UDOT and UTA have worked together to evaluate how well the federal requirements are being met and prepared the documentation attached to the resolution included in the Trans Com packets. Based on this evaluation, WFRC staff proposes that Trans Com recommend that the Regional Council approve the resolution certifying the transportation planning process.

ACTION: Mayor Hiatt moved that Trans Com recommend to the Regional Council the approval of the Resolution certifying the transportation planning process. Mayor Adams seconded the motion and the voting was unanimous.

5. ACTION ON WASATCH MOBILITY PLAN

Mary Guy-Sell, Wasatch Mobility Manager, reported that the draft Wasatch Mobility Plan has been out for public comment. The Wasatch Mobility Plan identifies regional and local strategies that address the mobility needs of individuals with disabilities, older adults, individuals with lower income, and veterans in an eight county area (Davis, Morgan, Salt Lake, Summit, Tooele, Utah, Wasatch, and Weber). Partners who worked closely together to develop the Plan included transportation providers, human service agencies, government agencies, businesses, and private citizens.

Ms. Guy-Sell gave a brief overview of the public comments received. She also highlighted the following areas in the Mobility Plan: destinations, transportation options, environmental barriers, commercial transportation, active transportation, needs, volunteer programs, and regional strategies.

ACTION: Mayor Marshall moved that Trans Com recommend that the Regional Council approve the Wasatch Mobility Plan. Mayor Applegarth seconded the motion and the voting was unanimous.

6. BUY AMERICA PROVISIONS FOR FEDERALLY FUNDED PROJECTS

Wayne Bennion introduced Chris Potter and Stan Adams, Deputy Construction Engineers at UDOT, to give an update on Buy America with regards to highway projects. Some of the items highlighted were:

- Buy America applies to iron and steel products permanently incorporated into the project, including donated items, and states that these products must be manufactured in the United States.
- Current MAP-21 legislation modified federal Buy America regulations to apply to all projects with a NEPA action **and** to any projects that use federal funds on any portion or phase of the project.
- Buy America does not apply on locally-owned facilities when the local jurisdiction is legally unable to pay the private utility.
- Recently waived are nuts, bolts, washers and other common off-the-shelf hardware as well as products containing less than 90% iron and steel.

Trans Com members were invited to contact Richard Manser (rmanser@utah.gov; 801.965.4083), Statewide Utilities and Railroads Engineer, with any questions regarding Buy America.

Matt Sibul, UTA, added that the Federal Transit Administration funds continue to be under Buy America legislation with no exceptions.

The meeting ended at 3:40 p.m.

Next meeting date: November 21, 2013