



**TRANSPORTATION COORDINATING COMMITTEE (Trans Com)**  
**Minutes of Meeting held**  
**August 21, 2014**

Chairman Bill Applegarth 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. Mayor Applegarth welcomed new member Erin Mendenhall, who is with the Utah Air Quality Board. He excused committee members Commissioner Bret Millburn, Trustee Justin Allen, Cory Pope, and Mayor Toby Mileski.

**ATTENDANCE**

**Members:**

Mitch Adams	Mayor, Clinton City
Bill Applegarth, Chair	Mayor, Riverton City
Carmen Freeman	Mayor, Herriman City
Robert Hunter	Utah Transit Authority Board of Trustees
Tina Kelley	Councilmember, Morgan County
Shane Marshall	Utah Department of Transportation
Dan McConkie	Commissioner, Utah Transportation Commission
Erin Mendenhall	Utah Air Quality Board
Norm Searle	Mayor, Riverdale City
JoAnn Seghini	Mayor, Midvale
Jan Zogmaister	Commissioner, Weber County

**Others:**

Wayne Bennion	Wasatch Front Regional Council
Steve Call	Federal Highway Administration
George Chapman	Private Citizen
Andrew Gruber	Wasatch Front Regional Council
Ned Hacker	Wasatch Front Regional Council
Jeff Harris	Utah Department of Transportation
Alma Haskell	Utah Transit Authority
Tracy Jackson	Wasatch Front Regional Council
Joe Kammerer	Utah Department of Transportation, Region 2
Ted Knowlton	Wasatch Front Regional Council
Kelly Lund	Federal Highway Administration
Travis Lund	Wasatch Front Regional Council
Justin Morgan	Federal Highway Administration, Utah Division
Kris Peterson	Utah Department of Transportation, Region 1
Ron Phillips	Phillips Associates, Inc.
Suzie Swim	Wasatch Front Regional Council
Ben Wuthrich	Wasatch Front Regional Council

Muriel Xochimitl

Wasatch Front Regional Council

## 1. MINUTES

**ACTION:** Mayor Carmen Freeman moved that the minutes of the June 19, 2014 Trans Com meeting be approved as written. Councilmember Tina Kelley seconded the motion, and the voting was unanimous.

## 2. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

George Chapman, private citizen, requested that streetcars be re-evaluated in the central Salt Lake area. He said that streetcars cause problems with bicycles. He also noted that they are not cost effective. Mr. Chapman said that the \$57 million for the proposed new central bus garage downtown is too much money. He suggested that restoring the bus service should be a higher priority. The CNG is next to the freeway. Any leak would close down the freeway. He also stated that the transit oriented development proposed at the 10000 South TRAX Station should not be subsidized with taxpayer funds. Utility relocations and right of way purchases are occurring north of that point.

## 3. Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

### a. Report on Board Modifications to the 2014-2019 TIP

Ben Wuthrich presented and reviewed 15 requests the Wasatch Front Regional Council (WFRC) had received to modify the 2014-2019 TIP:

#### Funding Adjustments

- Draper City: 1300 East; Pioneer Road to 13200 South. Reconstruct and widen. The request comes as a result of increased right of way costs. The additional funding would come from project cost savings of other projects on the program. This request will not negatively impact any projects currently programmed. **Additional Funding Requested: \$500,000.**
- UDOT Region 2 requests to combine the 5400 South intersection improvements and signal upgrade at 700 West with the Pavement Rehabilitation Project along 5400 South from 1900 West to I-15. This will also allow the project to include an additional scope for the section between I-15 to State Street. The combining of these projects will provide benefits in construction scheduling, work sequencing, coordination of activities, and will also save on project costs for design and construction. The additional funding comes from cost savings of other projects in Region 2. **Additional Funding Requested: \$1,700.**
- UDOT Region 2 requests additional funding for the I-15 Northbound and 10600 South interchange improvements. The additional funds are available from programming contingency balances. **Additional Funding Requested: \$3,500,000.**
- Salt Lake County: 2300 East; I-80 to 3900 South. Salt Lake County request to add local government funds to the 2300 East; I-80 to 3900 South to

reconstruct and widen, including safety improvements to cover cost overages, project betterments, and “beautification” not eligible or covered by the federal dollars. **Additional Funding Requested: \$1,003,765 from Local Funding.**

- Region 1 requests approval to transfer \$3,418,700 of local government funds from the 4000 South; 5100 West to Midland Drive project to the Midland Drive; 4000 South to Hinckley Drive reconstruction project that includes widening to five lanes, curb, gutter, sidewalk, and shoulders. **Additional Funding Requested: \$3,218,700 from the Weber County Local Transportation Fund and \$200,000 from Other Local Funding and Roy Water District Fund.**
- Region 1 requests approval to add \$900,000 of local government funds to the Midland Drive/3500 West Access Project. This project is a safety project and the additional funds are to accommodate the reconstruction/realignment of 3500 West, including curb, gutter, sidewalk, and shoulders. **Additional Funding Requested: \$900,000 from the Weber County Local Transportation Fund.**

#### Change of Scope:

- UTA requests a change in scope in their Key North Temple Project/Multimodal connections to FrontRunner, TRAX, bus, bicycle, and pedestrian facilities. The scope change is due to the need to properly construct the improvements that were made to provide temporary connections for the commuter rail and light rail facilities at the North Temple Station. Right of way for the original connection is not readily available. This scope change will provide appropriate multimodal connections to enhance transit access and usability. No additional funds are being requested. Current limits: 500 West from North Temple to 300 West. Requested Change: 200 North from 500 West to 440 West. **Same Funding Level.**
- Holladay City requests to combine two intersection projects; 1) 6200 South and 2300 East, and 2) 6200 South and Holladay Boulevard. Intersection Improvements. The request to combine these two projects would minimize the impact to the traveling public. There will also be a cost savings for design and construction coordination. **Same Funding Level.**

#### Project Removed:

- Holladay City: Laney Avenue to Murray-Holladay Road. At the time this project was approved, the community was in support of the project improvements. However, since that time the property ownership has changed and the new property owners do not support the original project. The Federal Transportation, Community, and System Preservation funds were grant monies specific to the original project improvements and are not available to be transferred to another project. They will be returned to FHWA.

#### New Projects:

- UDOT Region 1 requests that the I-15 Interchange at Hill Field Road be added to the TIP. Construction of a Single Point Urban Interchange (SPUI). The new interchange will provide significant congestion relief at one of the busiest locations in Davis County. This project is part of an amendment to the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) for which approval is anticipated in the August Regional Council meeting prior to the approval of the TIP Board Modification. Funding for this project comes from cost savings on previously funded projects, allowing this project to move forward prior to 2018. **Funds Requested: \$31,000,000.**
- UDOT Region 1 requests the new project 2000 West; Antelope Drive to 300 North be added to the TIP. This project will reconstruct and widen to a five lane facility including curb, gutter, sidewalk, and shoulder providing capacity and safety along the 2000 West Corridor for vehicle, bike, and pedestrian users. **Funds Requested: \$50,000,000.**
- UDOT Region 2 requests the inclusion of the Bangerter Highway Interchange at 9000 South. This project will construct a new interchange. The new interchange will enhance both east/west and north/south travel in Southwest Salt Lake County. This project is part of an amendment to the RTP for which approval is anticipated in the August meeting prior to the approval of the TIP Board Modification. **Funds Requested: \$49,200,000.**
- UDOT Region 2 also requests that the Bangerter Highway Interchange at 600 West be added to the TIP. This project will construct a new interchange. This project was identified as a high priority several years ago and has been recommended for the Fiscal Year 2018 TIP Program. **Funds Requested: \$46,000,000.**
- UDOT Region 2 also requests that the I-15/I-215 Interchange; 5300 South to 9000 South interchange improvements be added to the TIP. This project includes several operational and safety improvements that will improve traffic flow on I-15 and I-215. **Funds Requested: \$66,401,000.**

Additional Funding/Scope Enhancement:

- West Jordan City requests additional funds for their project on 5600 West; 6300 South to 7000 South. This project will reconstruct and widen to five lanes, including curb, gutter, sidewalk, and shoulder. This request comes as a result of the expansion of the project scope to make improvements to cross streets, including the relocation and resizing of a detention pond, expanded storm drain system, burying existing power lines, waterline relocations and providing a new traffic signal at 7000 South. The additional funding will be provided by West Jordan (the project sponsor). **Additional Funding Requested: \$1,180,812 Local Government Funds.**

**ACTION: Mayor Mitch Adams moved that Trans Com approve the resolution to modify the 2014-2019 TIP as presented. Mayor JoAnn Seghini seconded the motion and the voting was unanimous.**

**b. ACTION on the 2015-2020 Transportation Improvement Program**

Ben Wuthrich presented and discussed the draft 2015-2020 TIP. This draft 2015-2020 TIP was reviewed by Trans Com in June and made available for public review.

Muriel Xochimitl discussed the public comment process. WFRC provided an outreach opportunity during the comment period. There was an open house, advertisement, and good media coverage through the Salt Lake Tribune. Channels 2 and 4 came to the event. Channel 2 did a news story.

Mr. Wuthrich reported that several comments to the TIP were received and WFRC staff reviewed and responded to each comment. A list of comments and responses were included in the packet.

**ACTION: Mayor Carmen Freeman moved that Trans Com approve the 2015-2020 TIP as presented. Erin Mendenhall seconded the motion and the voting was unanimous.**

c. **WFRC Programs for Local Governments and 2016-2021 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Schedule**

Ben Wuthrich discussed the WFRC annual process for programming federal funds. Mr. Wuthrich stated he will make sure all of the COGs local staff are aware of the due date for letters of intent.

Mr. Wuthrich provided a brief description of the WFRC programs for local governments and 2016-2021 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) schedule. There are six funding sources:

- Surface Transportation Program (STP)
- Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) Program
- Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP)
- Local Planning Resource Program
- Community Development Block Program (CDBG) Small Cities Program
- Wasatch Front Economic Development District

Mr. Wuthrich explained that a project may be eligible for more than one program and that WFRC staff will be requesting letters of intent for the programs at the same time to encourage coordination among applicants.

Mayor JoAnn Seghini asked if there was any chance that the federal government will increase the gas tax. Mayor Bill Applegarth explained that the increase was an important thing to do. Some people are for it and some against it. The way we can get involved is with our delegates.

4. **ACTION on Self-Certification of Planning Process**

Wayne Bennion reviewed how WFRC, UDOT and the UTA staff have worked together to verify that the federal requirements are being met in the regional transportation

planning process. He also pointed out that the agencies are exceeding the requirements in many instances.

**ACTION:** Mayor JoAnn Seghini moved that Trans Com recommend that the Regional Council approve the resolution certifying the transportation planning process. Mayor Carmen Freeman seconded the motion and the voting was unanimous.

#### **5. State Route 108 Update (2000 West, 3500 West, Midland Drive)**

Kris Peterson, with UDOT Region 1, provided a presentation on SR-108 (2000 West, 3500 West and the Midland Drive) in Davis and Weber Counties. The purpose and need for widening and improving SR-108 addresses three main issues:

- Reduce roadway congestion
- Eliminate roadway deficiencies; lack of shoulders and turn lanes
- Enhance opportunities for multimodal transportation

There was a discussion on how the phasing begins with the top and bottom of the route. With congestion increasing, it is important to attack at both ends. Weber County funds are included because the improvement need is so great.

#### **6. Mountain View Corridor Update**

Joe Kammerer, UDOT's project manager for the MVC, reviewed the progress to date and outlined the next steps and future plans. There was a discussion on whether it will continue to be multimodal and pedestrian friendly. Mr. Kammerer explained that all future phases have planned for separated bike paths. UDOT is accommodating as best they can.

Mayor Norm Searle asked for time frames for uncompleted sections. Mr. Kammerer stated that as of April 2015 there will be two years of construction from 5400 South to 4100 South. This will be two miles long, including 20 structures and four pedestrian overpasses. The next piece will provide connectivity from 4100 South to SR-201. This is Phase 1 of the RTP and will occur when funding becomes available.

A comment from Mayor Freeman was that east/west connectivity was a huge problem. This project has the potential to alleviate pressure on east/west travel.

#### **7. OTHER BUSINESS**

Wasatch Choice for 2040 Consortium – October 23, 2014

Wasatch Regional Council Committee Meeting – October 23, 2014

The meeting ended at 3:30 p.m.

Next meeting date: November 20, 2014