



**TRANSPORTATION COORDINATING COMMITTEE (Trans Com)**  
**Minutes of Meeting held**  
**February 18, 2016**

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.

**ATTENDANCE**

**Members:**

Bill Applegarth, Chair	Mayor, Riverton
Karen Cronin	Mayor, Perry City
Carmen Freeman	Mayor, Herriman
GJ LaBonty	Utah Transit Authority
Nathan Lee	Utah Department of Transportation
Beverly Macfarlane	Mayor, Sunset City
Shane Marshall	Utah Department of Transportation
Dan McConkie	Utah Transportation Commission
Robert McKinley	Utah Transit Authority Board of Trustees
Erin Mendenhall	Utah Air Quality Board
Toby Mileski	Mayor, Pleasant View City
Norm Searle	Mayor, Riverdale City
JoAnn Seghini	Mayor, Midvale City
Derk Timothy	Mayor, Bluffdale City
Troy Walker	Mayor, Draper City

**Others:**

Wayne Bennion	Wasatch Front Regional Council
Ben Bolte	GREENbike
Michelle Bjorklund	Wasatch Front Regional Council
Andrew Gruber	Wasatch Front Regional Council
Ned Hacker	Wasatch Front Regional Council
Scott Hess	Wasatch Front Regional Council
Sam Klemm	Wasatch Front Regional Council/SLCOG
Ted Knowlton	Wasatch Front Regional Council
Tammy Long	Mayor, South Weber City
Jen McGrath	Utah Transit Authority
Ben Wuthrich	Wasatch Front Regional Council
Muriel Xochimitl	Wasatch Front Regional Council

**1. Approval of Minutes**

Mayor Toby Mileski moved that the minutes of the November 19, 2015 Trans Com meeting be approved as written. Mayor Beverly Macfarlane seconded the motion, and the voting was unanimous.

## **2. Opportunity for Public Comment**

There were no public comments.

## **3. Trans Com Schedule for 2016**

Wayne Bennion reminded the committee that Trans Com was created by agreement between the Wasatch Front Regional Council, the Utah Department of Transportation, and the Utah Transit Authority to provide opportunities for collaboration in planning and to meet federal transportation planning requirements. Trans Com acts as the policy advisory committee to the Regional Council regarding the programming of funds through the TIP and other short range transportation issues. Mr. Bennion reviewed the schedule for 2016 and Mayor Bill Applegarth recommended that members give their suggestions for what they would like to add to the schedule. Erin Mendenhall said that an air quality report in connection with the programming of CMAQ projects would be helpful. Mayor Beverly Macfarlane asked that active transportation continue to be discussed at Trans Com meetings.

## **4. Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)**

### **a. Report on Board Modifications to the 2016-2021 TIP**

Ben Wuthrich reported that since the last meeting of Trans Com, WFRC received requests and took action to modify the current 2016-2021 TIP. He referred members to the packet and asked if there were questions.

### **b. ACTION on Board Modifications to the 2016-2021 TIP**

Ben Wuthrich presented and reviewed the requests the Wasatch Front Regional Council has received to modify the 2016-2021 TIP:

- Hooper City: 4700 West; 4800 South to 5400 South: This request is to change the limits of the STP funded project on 4700 West from 4800 South – 5000 South to 5000 South – 5400 South and to separate the new intersection/new construction portion on 4700 West; 4800 South to 5000 South from the reconstruction project 5000 South – 5400 South due to the timing of available funds. This request will not negatively impact any other project. Adjust project scope: Same funding.
- UDOT: I-215: I-15 Interchange Bridge Rehabilitation Project: The additional funding is required for pothole patching overruns, beam-end repairs, and expansion joint changes on this structure rehabilitation project. The requested funding for these change orders comes from State Structure funds and Region One Contingency funds. Additional funding amounts: \$140,000 and \$133,575, respectively.
- UDOT: I-15; Lagoon to Layton Parkway: The request for additional funding will allow the project scope to include the application of bonded wearing course to I-15 from the South Layton Interchange to Gordon Avenue (SR-232). The additional funding comes from the Region One Pavement Rehabilitation Program. Additional funding amount: \$1,500,000.
- UDOT: US-89 Willard Shoulder Project: The scope of the project is to improve the shoulders along US-89 through Willard City. This improvement is part of the UDOT Region One 2016 Asset Management Program. Funding comes from Region Efficiency Funding. New project funding amount: \$3,000,000.
- UDOT: Box Elder, Cache, and Rich Counties Clear Zone Improvement Project: The scope of the project is to improve road drainage and slope in various locations

of the three counties. This improvement is part of the UDOT Region One 2016 Asset Management Program. Funding comes from Region Efficiency Funding. New project funding amount: \$1,000,000.

- UDOT: Davis, Morgan, and Weber Counties Clear Zone Improvement Project: The scope of the project is to improve road drainage and slope in various locations of the three counties. This improvement is part of the UDOT Region One 2016 Asset Management Program. Funding comes from Region Efficiency Funding. New project funding amount: \$2,000,000.
- UDOT: Bangerter Highway (SR-154); 4700 South and 5400 South (SR173): The additional costs are to cover a lawsuit that UDOT recently lost regarding the closing of the access point on Bangerter Highway into the former Kmart Shopping Center at 5400 South. The funds come from contingency savings on the I-80; State Street to 1300 East Project and the I-15; Cedar Fort Road (Lehi) (SR-73) to 12300 South (Riverton) Project. Additional funding amount: \$5,024,795.
- UDOT: I-15 Northbound; 10600 South Interchange Improvement: The additional costs are to cover increased drainage facilities, additional maintenance of traffic, and additional right-of-way. The additional funding will come from project cost savings on the I-15; SR-73 to 12300 South Widening Project. Additional funding amount: \$5,500,000.

**ACTION: Mayor Carmen Freeman moved that Trans Com approve the resolution to modify the 2016-2021 TIP as requested. Mayor JoAnn Seghini seconded the motion and the voting was unanimous.**

#### **c. Review of Fiscal Year 2015 Obligation of Federal Highway and Transit Funds**

Ben Wuthrich said that *Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act*, the federal transportation bill, requires all metropolitan planning organizations, state transportation departments, and public transportation operators to cooperate in preparing a report of federal funds obligated during the immediately preceding year. The WFRC staff, with the help of UDOT and UTA, has prepared a report of obligated federal, state, and local match funding during fiscal year 2015 (October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2015). Mr. Wuthrich explained what obligation means in relation to funding for projects, and reviewed obligation amounts by type of project statewide and in the WFRC region.

#### **5. Bike Share Report**

Wayne Bennion introduced Ben Bolte, the Director of GREENbike and Jennifer McGrath, Senior Planner with the Utah Transit Authority. Mr. Bolte provided an overview of the current program including the primary benefits and goals:

- Create a Public Transit Enhancement
- Improve Air Quality
- Improve Community Health
- Encourage Downtown Living
- Assist Economic Development
- Create New Cyclists & Address Gender Gap
- Encourage Infill Development

Ms. McGrath gave an overview of the Bike Share Regionalization Study:

- Driven by stakeholders
- Stakeholders include the following: GREENbike, UTA, UDOT, WFRC, MAG, Downtown Alliance, Salt Lake City, Salt Lake County, Davis County, Ogden, Provo, and Bike Utah
- Determine goals and desired outcomes for a regional bike sharing system

- Assess pros and cons of potential governance structures and their policy implications
- Seek consensus on a regional governance structure recommendation

Mayor Bill Applegarth applauded GREENbike and the regionalization study and suggested that cities need guidance before the end of the year on implementing a bike share program.

## **6. FAST Act Funding**

Wayne Bennion reviewed FAST Act funding. In December 2015, the *Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act* was signed into law by President Obama. The legislation authorizes \$305 billion in federal funding for highway, transit, and rail programs and provides five years of predictable, consistent funding. Moderate increases in Surface Transportation Program funding occurred and with the five years of authorized funding in all programs, the Regional Council staff intends to program two years of Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) funding in this cycle. This will match the typical time required to construct a TAP project. In the following cycle, the intent is to return to programming one year of TAP funding.

## **7. State Legislative Update**

Muriel Xochimitl reviewed HB 362 which was passed during the 2015 legislative session. In the current legislative session, there are two bills that will attempt to change the allocation identified in the local option. The first bill, HB 183 would change the allocation in the local option in five rural counties to afford more flexibility when it comes to transit funding. These five counties are located outside of the WFRC area. The second bill, HB 215 Sub 1 would change the transit component in the local option to remove transit all together.

## **8. Other Business**

Next meeting date: **April 21, 2016**

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:05 p.m.