

MINUTES
Wasatch Front Regional Council
Meeting of April 29, 2004

Mayor Dolan, Vice-Chairman, called the meeting of the Wasatch Front Regional Council to order at 3:05 p.m. at 295 North Jimmy Doolittle Road, Salt Lake City, Utah.

Members Present

Ken Bischoff	Commissioner, Weber County
Dave Connors	Mayor, Farmington
Michael J. Cragun	Commissioner, Davis County
Tom Dolan	Mayor, Sandy
George Garwood, Jr.	Mayor, South Ogden / ULCT
Matthew Godfrey	Mayor, Ogden
Robert Grow	Representative, Envision Utah
Daniel B. Hancock	Councilman, Morgan County
Michael H. Jensen	Councilman, Salt Lake County
Kent Money	Mayor, South Jordan
Dennis Nordfelt	Mayor, West Valley City
Fred Oates	Mayor, Harrisville
Charlie Roberts	Mayor, Tooele
JoAnn B. Seghini	Mayor, Midvale
Jerry Stevenson	Mayor, Layton

Members Not Present

Ross C. Anderson	Mayor, Salt Lake City
Janice Auger	Mayor, Taylorsville
Glen H. Burton, Chair	Commissioner, Weber County
Dannie R. McConkie	Representative, UAC / Alternate
Carol Page	Commissioner, Davis County
Nancy Workman	Mayor, Salt Lake County

Alternate Members Present

J. Lynn Crane	Mayor, Herriman
Wayne Mortimer	Mayor, Bluffdale
Darrell H. Smith	Mayor, Draper
Thomas C. Waggoner	Mayor, Clearfield

Press Present

Joe Baird	S.L. Tribune
Lisa Roskelley	Standard-Examiner

Others Present

Justin Allen	Congressman Bishop's Office
Barry Banks	WFRC Staff
Loveit Baumgardner	WFRC Staff
Wayne Bennion	WFRC Staff
Ed Blaney	WFRC Staff
Pat Casaday	Sandy City
Chuck Chappell	Director, WFRC
Max Ditlevsen	UDOT
Nina Dougherty	Sierra Club
Sharon Gray	WFRC Staff
Ned Hacker	WFRC Staff
Doug Hattery	WFRC Staff
John Hiskey	Sandy City
Andy Li	WFRC Staff
Glenn J. Mecham	Senator Bob Bennett
George Ramjoue	WFRC Staff
Michael Sears	S.L. City Council
Wilf Sommerkorn	Davis County
Clarissa Williams	WFRC Staff
Ben Wuthrich	WFRC Staff

Mayor Auger, Mayor Anderson, Commissioner Burton , Commissioner McConkie, and Commissioner Page were excused from the meeting.

Mayor Dolan, Vice-Chairman, chaired the meeting, as Commissioner Burton, Chairman, was out of town at Road School.

Consent Agenda

Action on the minutes, financial statements, and check registers: Commissioner Cragun moved to approve the minutes of the WFRC meeting of February 26, 2004. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Bischoff and passed unanimously.

Commissioner Cragun moved to approve the Financial statements and Check Registers for January, February, and March, 2004. The motion was seconded by Mayor Oates and passed unanimously.

Chairman's Report

Reports from COGs: Mayor Roberts reported that the Council's annual Water Supply Steering Committee meeting will be held from 3:00 p.m. until 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 11, 2004, in the offices of the Wasatch Front Regional Council located at 295 North Jimmy Doolittle Road, Salt Lake City, Utah. He distributed copies of the meeting announcement and agenda to those in attendance. He stated that the agenda will include, 1) a review of the water supply outlook for the 2004 water season for each of the major services areas and reports on implementation of development plans, 2) a report on water resources planning and development efforts sponsored by the State of Utah, 3) an update on Central Utah Water Conservancy District development activities, and will conclude with 4) a general discussion of water supply issues and inquiries. He encouraged all elected officials along with their staff to attend this information meeting.

Mayor Dolan noted that there were no additional reports from the COGs for this meeting.

Information on latest JPAC Meeting and Committee Structure: Mr. Chappell reported on the JPAC Committee and noted that the JPAC meeting for May had been cancelled. He stated that the committee membership included the following members from the Wasatch Front Regional Council:

Commissioner Glen Burton
Mayor Lynn Crane
Commissioner Michael Cragun
Mayor Tom Dolan
Mayor Darrell Smith
Commissioner Bischoff
Mayor Dave Connors
Mayor John Petroff, Jr.
Councilman Carlton Christensen

WFRC Strategic Goals for 2004/2005: Mr. Hattery distributed copies and discussed a handout titled **Wasatch Front Regional Council Report on Performance** dated April 29, 2004. This handout listed goals related to staff development, customer service, process improvement, and business development that had been worked on during the past year. He noted that the big accomplishment during the past year was the reorganization of the staff and new performance plans. Relating to strategic goals and unplanned opportunities not met, Mr. Hattery noted that funding sources for transportation planning are a major concern. He stated that the Council needs to develop a plan to replace lost or shrinking funding which could involve a shift in the nature of some of the staff's work.

Mr. Chappell reported that the Council and staff leadership developed a set of strategic goals to guide the staff over the next year or two. He noted that the goals are strategic, above and beyond the routine, but no less important tasks. Copies of the strategic goals for 2004-05 were included in Council members' packets. He reviewed the goals and discussed the activities recommended that will allow accomplishment of the goals. The goals included the following:

1. Refine individual performance plan process
2. Develop constructive communication and relationship with UDOT by providing outstanding policy and project support.
3. Increase outreach to partners and public
4. Build relationship between Council and Legislative leaders through quarterly meetings
5. Participate in HAFB defense
6. Adopt and implement updated project selection processes
7. Complete next Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) on time
8. Obtain consensus of local officials for implementing an effective RTP funding package.

Mr. Chappell noted that the staff was receptive to modifications of these goals from Council members.

Mayor Dolan stated that he felt that great strides had been made during the past year, especially relating to relationships with UDOT and MAG. He felt these relationships have laid the foundation for terrific things in the future.

Mr. Njord stated that he appreciated Council comments about the relationship with UDOT. He stated that UDOT's staff wants to be approachable and wants to work together to accomplish common goals.

Special Presentation to Barry Banks: Mayor Dolan presented Barry Banks with a plaque thanking him for his service as an employee to the Council from April, 1992, through March, 2004.

Budget Committee Report

ACTION on FY2005 Budget and Work Program: Councilman Jensen noted that Council members' packets included copies of the draft FY2005 Budget and Unified Work Program summary. He noted that this budget includes an overall 4% of salary allowance for COLA and merit increases, benefit enhancements and an awards program. He stated that this draft budget needs to be approved to send to FTA and FHWA and noted that the final budget will be presented to the Council prior to July 1, 2004.

Councilman Jensen moved that the Council approve the draft FY2005 Budget and Unified Work Program summary and that it be made available for FTA and FHWA. The motion was seconded by Mayor Oates and passed unanimously.

FY05 Audit: Councilman Jensen reported that the Council needs to select an auditor for the FY05 period. He stated that RFPs have been distributed to six auditing firms, of which four returned proposals and two firms declined. He stated that after review of the proposals, the Budget Committee recommended staying with the firm Hansen, Barnett, and Maxwell for an additional year.

Council members discussed the firms and the proposals that had been submitted.

Councilman Jensen noted that is good to change firms every so often, but stated that the Budget Committee didn't feel a need to change firms at this time. Councilman Jensen then moved that the Council approve the selection of Hansen, Barnett, and Maxwell.

Mayor Oates noted that the FY05 Audit had not been included as an agenda item, and felt it should be best to vote on the proposals at a future meeting.

Councilman Jensen withdrew his motion and stated that it would be included as an agenda item at the May, 2004 Council meeting. He stated that Council members can take action on it at that time.

Regional Growth Committee (RGC) Report

Report on Regional Growth Committee and the RGC Technical Advisory Committee's activities: Mayor Connors reported that the last meeting of the Regional Growth Committee was held April 1, 2004. He stated that there three presentations that were very interesting and informative. He noted that what was interesting in particular was that the three presentations by the Quality Growth Commission, Envision Utah, and Kennecott Land was that they represented three distinct sectors; State government, a private non-profit organization, and a private (for profit) development company. He stated that in each of their presentations, some sort of growth principles, goals, and strategies were being used to provide overall guidance to their programs/projects to encourage and/or facilitate quality growth.

Mr. Ramjoue' reminded Council members that the Ogden/Layton and Salt Lake Technical Advisory Committees(TAC) of the Regional Growth Committee (RGC) meet every month and report to the RGC. He stated the importance of having local planning officials involved and participating in the meetings. Mayor Connors stated that in order for the committee to work effectively, it needs to be a cooperative effort.

Mayor Dolan reminded Council members that to make a project happen, it has to originate at the technical committee level.

Discussion of Long Range Plan Finance Committee: Mr. Hattery reported that the Wasatch Front Regional Council created a Long Range Plan Finance Committee to pursue the necessary funding to implement the Long Range Plan. He stated that this Committee has met several times over the past two months to identify the needs for funding, the benefits of the recommended improvements on the Plan, and the best strategies for working with the Legislature and seeking public approval of additional revenues. Copies of a table of additional revenues needed for the Wasatch Front region to implement the Long Range Plan were included in Council members' packets, and is shown below. Mr. Hattery discussed the table which outlined some alternative funding sources along with estimates of the additional revenue needed (over and above existing federal, state, and local gas, sales, and other tax revenues) to implement the recommendations of the Long Range Plan (a total of almost \$10 billion in new revenue through the year 2030 will be needed). The table also shows estimates of the expected revenues from various funding sources, including the gas tax, state general funds, and transit sales taxes assumed in the Long Range Plan as well as other alternative sources being considered by the Legislature's Transportation Planning Task Force.

Mr. Hattery noted that the Long Range Plan Finance Committee will meet agin on Monday, May 3rd.

Additional Revenues Needed for the Wasatch Front Region to Implement the Long Range Plan

	Phase 1 2004-2012	Phase 2 2013-2022	Phase 3 2023-2030	Total 2004-2030
(No gas tax, and Difference between WFRC and UDOT general fund)	Highways \$ 439,000,000	\$ 1,711,000,000	\$ 2,631,000,000	\$ 4,781,000,000
(Without 1/2 cent sales tax and no bonding)	Transit \$ 2,102,000,000	\$ 2,309,000,000	\$ 712,000,000	\$ 5,123,000,000
Total	\$ 2,541,000,000	\$ 4,020,000,000	\$ 3,343,000,000	\$ 9,904,000,000

Hypothetical Sources and Revenue Generated

Highway Gas Tax (Statewide)	\$0.05/gallon	Implemented 2006	Phase 1 2006	Phase 2 2006	Phase 3 2006	Total 2006
		\$ 312,000,000	\$ 574,000,000	\$ 599,000,000	\$ 599,000,000	\$ 1,485,000,000
		2012	2012	2012	2012	2012
		\$ 49,000,000	\$ 574,000,000	\$ 599,000,000	\$ 599,000,000	\$ 1,222,000,000
		2018	2018	2018	2018	2018
		\$ -	\$ 308,000,000	\$ 599,000,000	\$ 599,000,000	\$ 907,000,000
		2024	2024	2024	2024	2024
		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 531,000,000	\$ 531,000,000
		2030	2030	2030	2030	2030
		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 83,000,000	\$ 83,000,000
		Total	Total	Total	Total	Total
		\$ 361,000,000	\$ 1,456,000,000	\$ 2,411,000,000	\$ 2,411,000,000	\$ 4,228,000,000
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General Fund (Statewide)		Implemented 2004	Phase 1 2004	Phase 2 2004	Phase 3 2004	Total 2004
		\$ 111,000,000	\$ 386,000,000	\$ 440,000,000	\$ 440,000,000	\$ 937,000,000
Difference between UDOT and WFRC projections						
Assumptions: \$40.41 Million from 2004-2017						
Assumptions: \$100 Million from 2018-2030						
Note: Assumes 55% of statewide revenue come to WFRC						
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Transit Sales Tax (3-County)	0.5%	Implemented 2007	Phase 1 2007	Phase 2 2007	Phase 3 2007	Total 2007
		\$ 802,000,000	\$ 2,230,000,000	\$ 2,876,000,000	\$ 2,876,000,000	\$ 5,908,000,000
Assumptions: 5.5% growth rate						
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Transit Property Tax (3-County)	.4 mil	Implemented 2004	Phase 1 2004	Phase 2 2004	Phase 3 2004	Total 2004
		\$ 281,000,000	\$ 418,000,000	\$ 439,000,000	\$ 439,000,000	\$ 1,138,000,000
Assumptions: Collection Rate 96%						
Assumptions: 3.1% Average Growth Rate						
Note: Projections from UTA						
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Highway Sales Tax (Statewide)	0.25%	Implemented 2004	Phase 1 2004	Phase 2 2004	Phase 3 2004	Total 2004
		\$ 518,000,000	\$ 1,004,000,000	\$ 1,351,000,000	\$ 1,351,000,000	\$ 2,873,000,000
Assumptions: 6% growth rate						
Note: Assumes 55% of statewide revenue come to WFRC						
Sales Tax (3-County)	0.25%	2007	2007	2007	2007	2007
		\$ 401,000,000	\$ 1,115,000,000	\$ 1,438,000,000	\$ 1,438,000,000	\$ 2,954,000,000
Assumptions: 5.5% growth rate						
Note: Regional Revenue, based on Transit Projections						
Highway Sales Tax (Statewide)	0.125%	Implemented 2004	Phase 1 2004	Phase 2 2004	Phase 3 2004	Total 2004
		\$ 259,000,000	\$ 502,000,000	\$ 675,000,000	\$ 675,000,000	\$ 1,436,000,000
Assumptions: 6% growth rate						
Note: Assumes 55% of statewide revenue come to WFRC						
Sales Tax (3-County)	0.125%	2007	2007	2007	2007	2007
		\$ 201,000,000	\$ 558,000,000	\$ 719,000,000	\$ 719,000,000	\$ 1,478,000,000
Assumptions: 5.5% growth rate						
Note: Regional Revenue, based on Transit Projections						
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Highway Gas Sales Tax (Statewide)	4.75%	Implemented 2004	Phase 1 2004	Phase 2 2004	Phase 3 2004	Total 2004
		\$ 599,000,000	\$ 1,065,000,000	\$ 1,324,000,000	\$ 1,324,000,000	\$ 2,988,000,000
Assumptions: \$1.50 per gallon, gas price increases 2%/year and 3% growth rate in gallons sold						
Note: Assumes 55% of statewide revenue come to WFRC						
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Highway Registration Fees (Statewide)	\$35	Implemented 2004	Phase 1 2004	Phase 2 2004	Phase 3 2004	Total 2004
		\$ 380,000,000	\$ 559,000,000	\$ 583,000,000	\$ 583,000,000	\$ 1,522,000,000
Assumptions: Includes passenger vehicles, trailers, and motorcycles						
Note: Assumes 55% of statewide revenue come to WFRC						

Discussion of Mobility Summit: Mr. Chappell reported that there is exciting interest being generated from several private organizations who are working to develop private sector support for additional transportation funding. He noted that Lane Beattie and Robin Riggs are helping to develop a coalition in support of the Plan. He stated that the WFRC staff and others are coordinating with these organizations in planning for a Mobility Summit later this spring. He stated that at the Summit, the need for and benefits of the proposed transportation improvements in the Long Range Plan will be outlined.

ACTION on Goals for the "Next" Regional Transportation Planning Process/Plan: Mayor Connors reported that the Regional Growth Committee (RGC) discussed and approved the "Goals" for the "Next" regional transportation planning process and Plan. Copies of *The Goals for the "Next" Regional Transportation Planning Process/Plan* were included in Council members' packets. He noted that at the February 26th Council meeting, Mayor Seghini made a motion, which passed unanimously, to accept the Goals for the time being, and to consider their endorsement at the next Regional Council meeting.

Mayor Connors noted that the Goals had been developed from work that had been previously accomplished in some other Metropolitan Planning Organizations, work that has been accomplished and recommended by the U.S. Department of Transportation (FHWA and FTA), and perceived needs by the staff and RGC for improving the WFRC's regional transportation planning process. He stated that the endorsement/adoption of these goals by the Regional Council, and their implementation will significantly improve and elevate the WFRC's process so that it will be closer to the state of the practice, and, in some aspects, to the state of the art.

Mayor Connors moved to endorse the goals for the "next" Regional Transportation Planning Process/Plan, as approved by the Regional Growth Committee on February 19, 2004. The motion was seconded by Councilman Jensen.

After a brief discussion, Mr. Robert Grow suggested that the following language (*and their impacts on quality of life and economic development*) be added to goal #2, so that it would read as follows: 2. Develop a "Vision" of what our region could become in the next 30, 40, or more years relative to land use and transportation and their impacts on quality of life and economic development.

Mayor Connors amended his motion to include the added language to Goal #2. Councilman Jensen agreed to second the amended motion.

After a brief discussion that included the time line and the need to keep technical people involved, the motion passed unanimously.

The approved list of recommended goals for the "next" Regional Transportation Planning Process/Plan as listed below:

**Recommended Goals for the “next”
Regional Transportation Planning Process/Plan**

1. Adopt growth principles/strategies that can serve as guidelines to local governments.
2. Develop a "Vision" of what our region could become in the next 30, 40, or more years relative to land use and transportation and their impacts on quality of life and economic development.
3. Identify scenarios of alternative futures, or growth choices for the Regional Transportation Plan on which policy decisions relative to transportation can be based.
4. Develop an enhanced public outreach/involvement process relative to the regional "Vision" and Transportation Plan that involves innovative techniques and collaboration.
5. Develop an enhanced geographic information system (GIS) database and analysis capabilities consistent with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), travel demand modeling and enhanced public outreach/involvement requirements.
6. Incorporate NEPA and other criteria/analyses into the transportation planning process, such as project purpose and need; safety and security; economic development land use; alternatives-analysis; and core system performance measures.
7. Strive for consistency between the Regional Transportation Plan and local general plan policies and provisions.
8. Enhance the regional planning process with new technical planning tools, such as UrbanSim; and foster collaboration between MPO organizations, especially when such organizations have contiguous boundaries.
9. Evaluate and update the criteria for selection of projects and for determining project priorities for the Regional Transportation Plan.

Mayor Dolan reminded Council members that one of the state's goals is to create jobs, whereas local communities goals include raising sales tax revenues. He stated that the local cities/counties don't want the state to dictate to them what to do. He felt that the need should come from the ground up.

Copies of the Wasatch Front Regional Council Communique' dated April, 2004, were distributed to Council members and others in attendance.

Trans Com Committee Report

Review of 2003 Obligations of Federal Highway and Transit Funds: Commissioner Cragun reported that the Transportation Equity Act of the 21st Century (TEA-21) requires that a report be made to the Regional Council and made available to the public on the funds that were obligated on federal highway and transit projects for each fiscal year. He stated that the WFRC staff with the help of UDOT and UTA prepared a list of all the projects that received federal funding during the federal fiscal year of 2003. Copies of the list of highway project obligations and transit project obligations during Fiscal Year 2003 were included in Council members' packets.

Mr. Wuthrich noted that \$123 million in federal funds was obligated for highway projects in the five counties and over \$119 million in federal funds were obligated for transit related projects along the Wasatch Front. He stated that a lot of projects have been planned/completed and a lot of hard work has gone into this process.

ACTION on Amendment to 2004-2008 Transportation Improvement Program: Commissioner Cragun reported that the WFRC has received a request from UDOT to amend the 2004-2008 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). He stated that this request includes the following projects:

2004-2008 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Enhancement Projects

County	Project Title	Sponsor	Activity	Funds Programmed
Davis	Historical Emigrant Trail	Syracuse	Bike/Pedestrian	\$ 474,200
Davis	Farmington Creek Trail Underpass	Farmington	Bike/Pedestrian	\$ 500,000
Salt Lake	Emigration Canyon Bike Lanes	Salt Lake City	Bike/Pedestrian	\$ 388,240
Salt Lake	Gadsby/ No Temple Trailhead	Salt Lake City	Bike/Pedestrian	\$ 450,455
Salt Lake	Parley's Trail, Phase II	Salt Lake Co.	Bike/Pedestrian	\$ 500,000
Salt Lake	Porter Rockwell Trail- Final Phase	Draper	Bike/Pedestrian	\$ 249,600

National Recreational Trails

County	Project Title	Sponsor	Activity	Funds Programmed
Weber	Northern Utah Cooperative Trail Machine	USFS, Ogden RD	Trails	\$ 40,425
Davis	Historic Emigrant Trail	Syracuse City	Bike/Pedestrian	\$ 100,000
Salt Lake	Jordan River Parkway/ Trail Head (13800 South)	Bluffdale City	Bike/Pedestrian	\$ 79,800
Salt Lake	Big Water Trail Head Restrooms	USFS Salt Lake Rd	Restrooms	\$ 21,847
Statewide	RTP State Administrative Expenses	Utah Div. of Parks and Recreation	Administration	\$ 57,579
Statewide	Environmental Protection & Safety Education	Utah Div. of Parks and Recreation	Education	\$ 5,000
Statewide	Off-Highway Vehicle Curriculum for kids	UT State Office/ Bureau of Land Mgt	Trails	\$ 40,000
Statewide	Snow Cat Trail Groomer	Utah State Parks	Trails	\$ 38,403

2004-2008 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Bridge Preservation Program

County	Project Location	Bridge	Project Scope	Funds Programmed
Weber	I-84 at Mouth of Weber Canyon	C-477	Preliminary Study: Alignment, Env., etc.	\$ 300,000
Weber	SR-204, 24th Street Viaduct - Ogden	C-655	Rehab: Deck, joints	\$ 1,500,000
Davis	SR-68, Redwood Road over I-215 North	C-512	Rehab: Deck Replacement, Paint	\$ 1,700,000
Salt Lake	SR-190, Big Cottonwood Canyon at Maxfields Lodge	D-258	Preliminary Study: Alignment, Env., etc.	\$ 100,000

Copies of UDOT's letter dated March 30, 2004, requesting the amendment, along with copies of *A Resolution of the Wasatch Front Regional Council Amending the 2004-2008 Transportation Improvement Program*, and the list of projects were included in Council members' packets.

Commissioner Cragun noted that the amendment was made available for public review and comment by the UDOT and WFRC from March 1 through March 31, 2004. No comments were received. He noted that because these projects are either Enhancement projects, National Recreational Trail projects, or Bridge Preservation projects, they are exempt from air quality conformity requirements. Therefore, an additional conformity analysis does not need to be completed for these projects.

Commissioner Cragun moved to approve the Resolution of the Wasatch Front Regional Council amending the 2004-2008 Transportation Improvement Program. The motion was seconded by Councilman Jensen and passed unanimously.

Executive Director's Report

Mr. Chappell discussed the Communique' that was distributed to Council members earlier in the meeting. He noted that the Communique' will be distributed to get the word out on the Council's Long Range Transportation Plan.

Personnel: Mr. Chappell reported that the Council has hired Andy Li. Andy is from China and has a PhD in Transportation Demand Modeling from the New Jersey Institute of Technology. He noted that Mr. Li will enable the WFRC, MAG, UDOT, and UTA, to improve their modeling process.

Legislative Review: The Legislature took action on several transportation related issues this past session. Copies of the list of transportation related issues were included in Council members' packets, as follows.

- **Centennial Highway Fund** -- The State General Fund contribution toward the retirement of the I-15 bonds (CHF) was left untouched.
- **B&C Road Fund** -- The \$18 million in the B&C Road Fund that comes from sales tax was left untouched.

- **House Bill 23** – Transportation Planning Amendments, sponsored by Representative Becky Lockhart, codifies Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) in State Law. It also requires WFRC and MAG to coordinate their plans.
- **House Bill 157** – Transit Board Re-Alignment, sponsored by Representative John Dougall, requires the State Transportation Commission to designate one of its members to sit as an ex-officio (non-voting) member of the UTA Board. The UTA Board will also submit its proposed annual budget to the Transportation Commission for comment.
- **Senate Bill 11** – Guidelines for Local Matching Dollars for Transportation Projects, sponsored by Senator Carlene Walker, requires that the State Transportation Commission adopt rules for partnering with counties and municipalities to help finance state highway improvement projects through local matching dollars. The League of Cities and Towns will have input into the development of the rules and the Legislature’s Transportation Interim Committee must also approve the proposed rules.
- **Senate Bill 121** – Sales Tax Redistribution, sponsored by Senator Greg Bell, was sent to be studied in interim committee over the summer.
- **Senate Bill 170** – UTA Board Appointments, sponsored by Senator James Evans, requires that appointments to the Board be at-will and terms be for two years instead of three, with a maximum of three terms. The UTA Board will also be required to submit its annual budget to the elected bodies of its constituent cities and counties for comment.
- **Senate Bill 248** – Highway Project Bonding, sponsored by Senator Dan Eastman, set spending at \$48.5 million as opposed to \$109 million last year. This will delay 8 projects statewide. They are the I-15 and Riverdale Road projects in Weber County, I-80 in Salt Lake County, 10600 South between Redwood Road and Bangerter Highway, 11400 South in Sandy, South Jordan, and Draper, 3500 South in West Valley City, 800 North in Orem and the 1100 South overpass in Brigham City.
- **TEA-21 Re-Authorization** – The Senate has passed it’s version of the Bill at \$318 billion. The House version of the Bill has also passed at \$275 billion. The Bill is scheduled for a conference committee in late April. No tax increases were included, but the House bill deliberately left the door open to reconsider that issue in two years. The President has said he will veto anything over \$256 billion. This may be difficult for him since both houses passed their versions by veto-proof margins. We are currently operating under temporary extensions of the old law, which may well have to be extended again.

Other Business

Mr. Njord stated his appreciation for Mayor Connor’s Regional Growth Committee Report. He briefly reported on a project that is going on in South Jordan. He stated that Kennecott Land is planning transportation issues and implementing them into their development. He felt that the Council could learn from them in areas of working and learning together for a better future. Mayor Money added that seldom is there a developer with that many acres right from the start that has the desire to start from scratch and do it right. He felt that it was a good marriage in South Jordan between the city and Kennecott Land. Mayor Dolan added that it would be a great model for the future. Mayor Seghini noted that Kennecott Land has been willing to work with all the communities that will be involved in the project. She stated that instead of needing a redevelopment authority, the developer has been up front, making the financing

work and stating this is how we can make it work, and this is how we can see the future. She hoped that other developers will see this as a way to develop land responsibly.

Mayor Dolan introduced Mr. John Hiskey who will replace Pat Casady as Deputy Mayor in Sandy City. He noted that Pat Casady will be moving to Argentina to become a Mission President.

Mayor Dolan noted that the next Council meeting will be held on May 27th at 3:00 p.m. in the Council offices at 295 North Jimmy Doolittle Road, Salt Lake City, Utah.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:50 p.m.