

**DIXIE TRANSPORTATION EXECUTIVE COUNCIL (DTEC)
MINUTES
March 18, 2009**

PRESENT

Jerry Amundsen, Vice Chair, City Council Member, Santa Clara City
Jerry Blair, City Council Member, Ivins City
Roger Bundy, City Council Member, Washington City
Nathan Lee, Director, UDOT, Region 4
Jim Eardley, Commissioner, Washington County
Jerry Lewis, Commissioner, UDOT
Lowell Elmer, Director, Dixie MPO
Larry Bulloch, Public Works Director, St. George City
Zac Renstrom, Bush and Gudge
Miriam Palma, Secretary, City of St. George

CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chairman Amundsen called the meeting to order at 12:20 p.m. He noted that there was not a quorum present. Lowell Elmer indicated that he had spoke to Dan McArthur, Suzanne Allen and Jerry Lewis and discussed the action items. He had their proxy votes. Vice Chairman Amundsen then called for a review of the February 18, 2009 meeting minutes. At this point Nathan Lee entered the meeting and asked to be first on the agenda, as he had to return to the UDOT Commission meeting.

UDOT/FHWA BUSINESS

Legislative Update

Nathan Lee reported that UDOT Region 4 staff has been meeting to program the funding as follows:

1. Hilton Drive/Blackridge - \$2.4 million (MPO stimulus funds)
2. Valley View Bridge Construction - \$6.2 million (includes \$3.8 million in State's share of Federal Stimulus funds).
3. St. George Blvd/I-15 Pedestrian Crossing Study - \$500,000
4. Southern Parkway - \$65 million (\$15 million to Phase 6)

He further explained that funding for the Southern Parkway involved the most complicated decision making. He told the group that the EIS identified 5 phases to complete the Southern Parkway, but UDOT has elected to add a 6th phase in order to close the loop from I-15 at MP2 to I-15 at MP16 and make it a connector road. Phases 1 and 2 - essentially complete. Phase 3 - runs from River Road to Warner Valley; Phase 4 - Washington Dam Road to 3000 South; Phase 5 - 3000 South to SR-9; and the new Phase 6 from SR-9 to I-15 at MP16.

Nathan indicated that the UDOT Commission has programmed \$15 million of the \$65 million to obtain right of way for phase 6. Of the remaining \$50 million, UDOT is suggesting that it be programmed for phases 3a (Airport Road to Warner Valley); and 4a (Washington Dam Road to 4300 West aka Sand Hollow Road).

He asked that DTEC member consult with developers or others who may have an interest in cost-sharing agreements to complete other sections of the Parkway. A cost-sharing agreement could bump a project further up in priority. He requested that any information be sent to him

prior to May 2009, when the UDOT Commission will meet again to make final decisions on funding allocations.

At this point Nathan Lee left the meeting.

MINUTES

Following Nathan's presentation, Vice Chairman Amundsen called for a review of the February 18, 2009 minutes.

Motion: Roger Bundy made a motion to approve the February 18, 2009 Dixie Transportation Executive Council regular meeting minutes as written.

Second: Jerry Blair seconded.

Vote: All voted "aye" and the motion passed unanimously.

ACTION ITEMS

2009 UPWP Modification - Lowell Elmer distributed the 2009 UPWP, modification #2. He reminded Council Members that after a discussion concerning Coordinated Human Services Transportation Planning in a previous meeting, it was decided that enough studies had been completed and it was time to fund projects. This modification would bring in \$40,000 for FTA funds to complete a Mobility Management Implementation Tool. The DTAC recommended approval of this project at their March 4, 2009 meeting.

Motion: Roger Motion approved modification #2 to the 2009 UPWP to include \$40,000 in funding from FTA for a Mobility Management Implementation Tool.

Second: Jerry Blair seconded

Vote: All voted "Aye" and the motion passed unanimously.

At this point, Commissioner Lewis joined the meeting.

2009-13 TIP Modification

Lowell explained that this modification to the 2009-13 TIP is made to incorporate the stimulus funding as follows:

Hilton Drive - \$2.4 million (with \$201,261, including match, under prior obligation which cannot be moved);

Southern Parkway - River Road to Replacement Airport, shift funding to reconcile with the STIP. Shift \$3.3 million funding from PIN 6828 To MP 6.5 at the Ft. Pearce Wash \$3.3 million and create a new PIN for the project. The new PIN for this project 7531

Virgin River Bridge - A tier 2 project. This action shifts Hilton Drive/Blackridge UZA money to the Virgin River, 300 East project in Washington.

Valley View Bridge - Total project is \$6.2 million. State share of stimulus is \$3.8 million, \$1.2 million in previously programmed MPO funds and \$1.2 million from St. George City. Plans are to advertise March 23, bid opening April 14 and ground breaking May 1 with Congressman Matheson.

Mall Drive Bridge - This is a tier three project which will not be funded at this time, but may in the future with anticipated re-distribution of stimulus funds that other states cannot use.

Transit Administration Building - Incorporated \$1.1 million for Suntran to construct an Administration Building.

Following Lowell's explanation discussion by the Council, Vice Chair Amundsen called for a motion.

Motion: Jerry Blair made a motion
Second: Roger Bundy seconded
Vote: All voted "aye" and the motion passed unanimously.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

ITS Communication Plan Update - This project is being managed by the UDOT Traffic Control Center. No updates were available.

Model TAZ Adjustments Update - UDOT is directing this project to provide a statewide model that will incorporate updates of regional models.

Transit Corridor Preservation Study - The scope of work is being reviewed by DTAC. Comments are due March 23.

Southern Parkway Corridor Preservation Agreement - Hurricane City, St. George City, Washington City, Washington County, the MPO and UDOT have signed the agreement and the copies have been distributed to each entity.

Corridor Preservation Fee - The Washington County Commission approved a \$10 Corridor Preservation Fee at their March 17, 2009 meeting. In order to administer these funds, a COG was established on February 3, 2009 and became effective February 18, 2009.

OTHER BUSINESS

None

ADJOURNMENT

1:05 p.m.

NEXT MEETING

April 15, 2009