

## UTAH TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION MEETING

Friday, August 18, 2023

Ogden City Council Chambers, 2549 Washington Boulevard, Ogden

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The August 18, 2023 meeting of the Utah Transportation Commission was called to order at 8:30 a.m. by Chairman Naghi Zeenati, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Introductions of Commission members, UDOT staff and others were made and included the following:

Naghi Zeenati, Chairman  
Lew W. Cramer, Commissioner  
Donna J. Law, Commissioner  
Natalie Gochmour, Commissioner  
Kevin T. Van Tassell, Commissioner  
Ronda R. Menlove, Commissioner  
Carlos Braceras, UDOT Executive Director  
Lisa Wilson, UDOT Deputy Director  
Ben Huot, UDOT Program Development Director  
\*Grant Potter, UDOT Communications  
Heather Barthold, Commission Assistant  
Jordan Lee, UDOT Technology & Innovation  
Keriann Noble, UDOT Technology & Innovation  
Andrea Olson, UDOT Planning  
Becky Nix, UDOT Structures  
Bob Pelly, UDOT STIP Coordinator  
Brett Slater, UDOT Region One  
Carmen Swanwick, UDOT Project Development Director  
Daryl Ballantyne, UDOT RUC Program Manager  
Diana Leka, UDOT Right of Way  
\*Jodi Howick, Assistant Attorney General, UDOT Counsel  
Josh Van Jura, UDOT Transit & Trails Director  
Kendall Draney, UDOT Region Two Program Manager  
Leif Elder, UDOT Policy & Legislative Services Director  
Matt Maass, Director of Aeronautics

Matt Parker, UDOT Region Three  
Mitch Shaw, UDOT Region One Communications Manager  
Monte Aldridge, UDOT Region Four Director  
Nathan Peterson, UDOT Region Two Deputy Director  
Peter Asplund, UDOT Policy & Legislative Services Deputy Director  
Rob Clayton, UDOT Region Three Director  
Rob Wight, UDOT Region One Director  
Robert Miles, UDOT Traffic & Safety  
Robert Stewart, UDOT Region Two Director  
Wyatt Woolley, UDOT Region Three Communications  
Ivan Marrero, FHWA Division Administrator  
Brigitte Mandel, FHWA Deputy Division Administrator  
Andrew Gruber, Wasatch Front Regional Council  
Beth Holbrook, Utah Transit Authority Board of Trustees  
Carlton Christensen, Utah Transit Authority Board of Trustees  
Jeff Acerson, Utah Transit Authority Board of Trustees  
Mike Caldwell, Ogden City Mayor  
Mara Brown, Ogden City  
Andrew Gruber, WFRC Executive Director  
Blaine Fackrell, Morgan County Commission  
Casey Brown, AECOM  
Davy Ratchford, Snowbasin General Manager  
Kris Peterson, Horrocks  
Marcia White, Wasatch Front Regional Council  
Matt Sibul, WSP  
Wayne Bennion, Wasatch Front Regional Council

*\*indicates virtual participation*

[Ogden Mayor Mike Caldwell welcomed the group.](#) He said there have been 80 years of documented efforts for the Ogden Canyon Trail, and he expressed his appreciation to Carlos Braceras, UDOT Executive Director, WFRC and UTA for the vision of active transportation and ways to move more effectively along the Wasatch Front and be happier and lead richer lives. He talked about the Ogden BRT, calling it a transformational and generational project. He said some of these active transportation corridors will be the trees planted for our children to enjoy the shade of. He said he appreciates the Department and willingness to partner, even during difficult times. He complimented the patience and professionalism of everyone in the room, and said the support given to different agencies is what allows the State of Utah to do what no one else gets to do; he said the secret sauce of Utah is finding ways to work together with patience and persistence. He thanked the group for their services, acknowledged that they are pulled in many different directions, and expressed his pride in the work that is done.

### **LOCAL AREA PRESENTATION**

Brett Slater, UDOT Region One Program Manager, reviewed recent, current and upcoming projects in the area. Over the past 10 years, \$815,376,650 and 169 projects have been allocated to Weber County.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

[Mitch Shaw, UDOT Region One Communications Manager, read an emailed comment from Ken Naylor, Water Master of the Palmer Weir Water Users Association,](#) expressing his concerns regarding a ditch that runs along the south side of 9000 South between 1850 West to 1300 West, and the Department's 9000 South widening project.

[Andrew Gruber, Executive Director of Wasatch Front Regional Council, announced that WFRC is on track to adopt the 2024-2029 Transportation Improvement Program](#) that is integrated with the STIP for the whole State. He said the whole program contains \$10 billion in critical transportation investment roadway, transit and active transportation projects. He thanked everyone who partnered in the process, and talked about the significant public engagement during the TIP development, and the hundreds of comments received, and acknowledged the public engagement and partnership of teams working together.

[Davy Ratchford, Snowbasin General Manager, expressed his appreciation for UDOT's partnership, and talked about safety concerns and asked for support for needed improvements of Trapper's Loop Road.](#) He also expressed Snowbasin's support for the future Mountain Green Interchange.

### **FHWA REPORT**

Ivan Marrero, FHWA Division Administrator, announced a \$24,494,147 RAISE grant was awarded to UDOT on June 28 for the First/Last Mile Connections: Improving Communities' Quality of Life project. He also reported that \$750,000 RAISE planning grant funding was awarded to Spring City Corporation and Sanpete County for the Spine through the Heart of Utah project, which will complete a feasibility study, benefit-cost analysis, environmental review and 30% design for approximately 47 miles of multi-use trails in Sanpete County. Ivan also reported that \$8.3 million Nationally Significant Federal Lands and Tribal Transportation Project program funds were awarded to Tooele County for the Iapah Road Safety and Rehabilitation project.

Ivan announced Notice of Funding Opportunities (NOFO) for the Multimodal Project Discretionary Grant (MPDF): \$1.8 billion for the National Infrastructure Project Assistance (MEGA) program, \$3.1 billion for the Infrastructure for Rebuilding America (INFRA) program, and \$675 million for the Rural Surface Transportation Grant (Rural) program. Applications are due August 21. Ivan also announced a NOFO of \$34 million for the Advanced Digital Construction Management Systems (ADCMS) grant program. Applications are due August 28.

Ivan also talked about the Utah Federal Discretionary Grant Workshop on September 19 and 20 in Salt Lake.

### **UDOT SCOREBOARD**

Carmen Swanwick, UDOT Project Development Director, reported on the construction program. Robert Miles, UDOT Traffic and Safety Director, reported on the Safety dashboard.

### **UTAH TRANSIT AUTHORITY ANNUAL REPORT**

Utah Transit Authority Board of Trustees members Carlton Christensen, Beth Holbrook and Jeff Acerson, reviewed UTA's Strategic Plan and 5-year capital plan. They reviewed the upcoming MidValley Connector, S-Line Extension, and Westside Express projects. They talked about workforce strategy and labor relations, and UTA's service vision. They reviewed systemwide ridership of 2021, 2022 and 2023, and talked about ski services for the 2023 and 2024 seasons. They reviewed the OGX system, which includes 13 BRT stations, 1.5 miles of dedicated lanes, 11 all-electric buses, 19 signal priority lights, 10-15 minute service on weekdays, and zero fare for 3 years.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

Commissioner Law moved to approve the items on the Consent Agenda. Commissioner Gochnour seconded the motion, and the items were unanimously approved.

*In favor: Commissioners Cramer, Law, Gochnour, Van Tassell, Menlove, Zeenati*

*Opposed: None*

*Absent: Commissioner Evans*

## PROGRAMMING

### 2023 STIP Amendment #8

#### I-15; SR-97 Widening of 5600 South - Funding Addition/Scope Change

Region One requested approval to add \$140,000,000 of TIF funds to the I-15; SR-97, Widening of 5600 South project to add the realignment of the Davis and Weber Canal to the project scope, and address construction and right of way inflation costs, as well as the cost of additional material quantities. Commissioner Law moved to approve the request, and Commissioner Van Tassell seconded the motion. The request was unanimously approved.

*In favor: Commissioners Cramer, Law, Gochnour, Van Tassell, Menlove, Zeenati*

*Opposed: None*

*Absent: Commissioner Evans*

#### Garden City Truck Descent Improvements - New Project

Region One requested approval to add a new \$850,000 Transportation Solutions project to the current STIP. The Garden City Truck Descent Improvements project will expand the shoulders leading into the Runaway Truck Ramp to provide additional room for trucks to get out of traffic and line themselves up with the Runaway Truck Ramp. Commissioner Menlove moved to approve the request and Commissioner Van Tassell seconded the motion. The request was unanimously approved.

*In favor: Commissioners Cramer, Law, Gochnour, Van Tassell, Menlove, Zeenati*

*Opposed: None*

*Absent: Commissioner Evans*

#### SR-108; 300 North to 1800 North - Funding Addition

Region One requested approval to add \$8,000,000 of TIF funds to the SR-108; 300 North to 1800 North project to award the project. The apparent low bid for the advertised project came in at 116% of the engineer's estimate, and after reviewing the bids, the project team determined it is unlikely that readvertising would result in lower bids. Commissioner Cramer moved to approve the request and Commissioner Law seconded the motion. The request was unanimously approved.

*In favor: Commissioners Cramer, Law, Gochnour, Van Tassell, Menlove, Zeenati*

*Opposed: None*

*Absent: Commissioner Evans*

#### SR-204; 23rd Street to US-89 - Funding Addition

Region One requested approval to add \$1,500,000 of High Volume funds to the SR-204; 23rd Street to US-89 project to address increases in the current engineer's estimate from the 2020 estimate and deliver the project as scoped. Commissioner Menlove moved to approve the request and Commissioner Law seconded the motion. The request was unanimously approved.

*In favor: Commissioners Cramer, Law, Gochnour, Van Tassell, Menlove, Zeenati*

*Opposed: None*

*Absent: Commissioner Evans*

#### US-89; SR-193 to Weber River - New Project

Region One requested approval to add a new \$5,400,000 High Volume project to the current STIP. The US-89; SR-193 to Weber River project will replace pavement that has deteriorated quicker than anticipated. Commissioner Cramer moved to approve the request and Commissioner Menlove seconded the motion. The request was unanimously approved.

*In favor: Commissioners Cramer, Law, Gochnour, Van Tassell, Menlove, Zeenati*

*Opposed: None*

*Absent: Commissioner Evans*

#### [US-89; SR-204 to SR-134 - New Project](#)

Region One requested approval to add a new \$5,500,000 High Volume project to the current STIP. The US-89; SR-204 to SR-134 project will replace pavement that has deteriorated quicker than anticipated. Commissioner Van Tassell moved to approve the request and Commissioner Cramer seconded the motion. The request was unanimously approved.

*In favor: Commissioners Cramer, Law, Gochnour, Van Tassell, Menlove, Zeenati*

*Opposed: None*

*Absent: Commissioner Evans*

#### [Midvalley Highway Right of Way - New Project](#)

Region Two requested approval to add a new \$500,000 Transportation Solutions project to the current STIP. The Midvalley Highway Right of Way project will purchase needed easement from the Tooele Army Depot. The acquisition process could take up to three years to complete. Commissioner Menlove moved to approve the request and Commissioner Cramer seconded the motion. The request was unanimously approved.

*In favor: Commissioners Cramer, Law, Gochnour, Van Tassell, Menlove, Zeenati*

*Opposed: None*

*Absent: Commissioner Evans*

#### [SR-112 at 600 West Turn Lanes - New Project](#)

Region Two requested approval to add a new \$1,500,000 Transportation Solutions project to the current STIP. The SR-112 at 600 West Turn Lanes project will construct right turn lanes on east and westbound SR-112, and Tooele City will widen the north and south legs of the intersection. Commissioner Gochnour moved to approve the request and Commissioner Law seconded the motion. The request was unanimously approved.

*In favor: Commissioners Cramer, Law, Gochnour, Van Tassell, Menlove, Zeenati*

*Opposed: None*

*Absent: Commissioner Evans*

#### [Orem 1600 North from 12100 West to State Street - Funding Transfer](#)

Region Three requested approval to transfer \$3,000,000 of TIF funds from the Orem 1600 North from 12100 West to State Street Environmental project to the Orem 1600 North from 12100 West to State Street project, as the environmental phase has been completed. MAG approved the funding transfer on July 31. The project will require additional funds for construction, which will be requested at a later date; Region Three will work to minimize that request during design. Commissioner Law moved to approve the request and Commissioner Van Tassell seconded the motion. The request was unanimously approved.

*In favor: Commissioners Cramer, Law, Gochnour, Van Tassell, Menlove, Zeenati*

*Opposed: None*

*Absent: Commissioner Evans*

#### [SR-132; Canyon Hill Golf to MP 37.05 Shoulder Widening - Funding Addition](#)

Region Three requested approval to add \$1,250,000 of TSP funds and \$238,355 of LG Betterment funds from Nephi City to the SR-132; Canyon Hill Golf to MP 37.05 Shoulder Widening project to address impacted water lines, the need for MSE walls, and inflation costs. Commissioner Van Tassell moved to approve the request and Commissioner Law seconded the motion. The request was unanimously approved.

*In favor: Commissioners Cramer, Law, Gochnour, Van Tassell, Menlove, Zeenati*

*Opposed: None*

*Absent: Commissioner Evans*

#### [US-89; University Avenue to 500 West, Provo - Funding Addition & Scope Change](#)

Region Three requested approval to add \$7,725,000 of Reconstruction funds, and \$1,866,702 LG Betterment funds from Provo City to address inflation and unexpected impacts to utilities and right of way due to driveway and sidewalk reconstruction. MAG approved this request on July 31. Commissioner Law moved to approve the request and Commissioner Cramer seconded the motion. The request was unanimously approved.

*In favor: Commissioners Cramer, Law, Gochnour, Van Tassell, Menlove, Zeenati*

*Opposed: None*

*Absent: Commissioner Evans*

#### [Payson Main Street/600 North Intersection - Abandon Project](#)

Region Three requested approval to abandon the \$1,117,000 Payson Main Street/600 North Intersection project and reprogram the funds, at the request of Payson City and MAG. MAG approved this request on July 31. Commissioner Law moved to approve the request and Commissioner Gochnour seconded the motion. The request was unanimously approved.

*In favor: Commissioners Cramer, Law, Gochnour, Van Tassell, Menlove, Zeenati*

*Opposed: None*

*Absent: Commissioner Evans*

#### [I-15; Payson Main Street Interchange \(Phase I\) - New Project](#)

Region Three requested approval to add a new \$300,000 TIF project to the current STIP. The I-15; Payson Main Street Interchange (Phase 1) project will construct an interchange to provide more access to Payson and the areas south of I-15. Funding for the project in SB2 is contingent upon a “substantial right of way donation”. The requested funds are proposed for the preparation of right of way plans, documents and related activities necessary to facilitate the right of way donation. A future request will address funding necessary for the balance of the project. MAG approved this request on July 31. Commissioner Cramer moved to approve the request and Commissioner Van Tassell seconded the motion. The request was unanimously approved.

*In favor: Commissioners Cramer, Law, Gochnour, Van Tassell, Menlove, Zeenati*

*Opposed: None*

*Absent: Commissioner Evans*

#### [400 North and 100 West Roundabout, Moab - Abandon Project](#)

Region Four requested approval to abandon the \$1,157,000 400 North and 100 West Roundabout, Moab City project, and return the remaining federal funds, per the City’s request. Moab applied for and received Joint Highway Committee funding to fund the project. During the design phase, the estimates to complete the proposed project were much higher than the City anticipated, totalling \$2,650,000. Moab City will be responsible to pay the match (6.77%) on the expended \$300,000 in PE costs to date, which is approximately \$21,000. Commissioner Van Tassell moved to approve the request and Commissioner Cramer seconded the motion. The request was unanimously approved.

*In favor: Commissioners Cramer, Law, Gochnour, Van Tassell, Menlove, Zeenati*

*Opposed: None*

*Absent: Commissioner Evans*

#### [SR-18; Snow Canyon State Park White Rocks Acceleration Lane - Scope Change](#)

Region Four requested approval to add scope and change the name of the SR-18; Snow Canyon State Park White Rocks Acceleration Lane project to SR-18; Snow Canyon Park Access and Parking project. The original scope included a right turn deceleration lane and right turn acceleration lane at the White Rocks trailhead parking lot on SR-18 near MP 11.7. During the design phase of the project, Snow Canyon State Park sent a request to UDOT asking to expand the White Rocks parking lot. The Region evaluated the request, and due to limited sight distance, the vertical and horizontal curves near the access and the profile grade, they determined that without a left turn deceleration lane, the additional traffic at the White Rocks trailhead would increase safety concerns at the location. The proposed modified scope would develop a frontage road and new parking lot, and also include a multi-use path parallel to the frontage road. These changes will greatly improve the safety of those entering and exiting the park by providing increased sight distance and turn lanes for each turning movement. The modified project can be designed and constructed within the existing budget, and construction is anticipated in spring 2024. Commissioner Law moved to approve the request and Commissioner Van Tassell seconded the motion. The request was unanimously approved.

*In favor: Commissioners Cramer, Law, Gochnour, Van Tassell, Menlove, Zeenati*

*Opposed: None*

*Absent: Commissioner Evans*

#### [SR-143: Slope Stabilization and Flood Repair, Phase 2 - New Project](#)

Region Four requested approval to add a new \$3,500,000 PROTECT project to the current STIP. The SR-143; Slope Stabilization & Flood Repair project will stabilize slopes and protect the roadway in Parowan Canyon that continues to experience flooding and debris flows. Commissioner Law moved to approve the request and Commissioner Cramer seconded the motion. The request was unanimously approved.

*In favor: Commissioners Cramer, Law, Gochnour, Van Tassell, Menlove, Zeenati*

*Opposed: None*

*Absent: Commissioner Evans*

#### [US-6: Tucker to Soldier Summit - Funding Addition](#)

Region Four requested approval to add \$2,120,000 of High Volume funds to the US-6; Tucker to Soldier Summit project to address inflation related to asphalt, structures elements and other construction costs. Commissioner Gochnour moved to approve the request and Commissioner Cramer seconded the motion. The request was unanimously approved.

*In favor: Commissioners Cramer, Law, Gochnour, Van Tassell, Menlove, Zeenati*

*Opposed: None*

*Absent: Commissioner Evans*

#### [I-15: Northbound Climbing Lane, MP 43 to 56 - Funding Addition](#)

Region Four requested approval to add \$40,000,000 to the I-15; Northbound Climbing Lane MP 43 to 56 project to address increases from the project's 2020 estimate in concrete, asphalt, labor, Road Ex, UTBC, GB, and other construction materials. The project is being paired with the South Cedar Interchange grant proposal for a Multimodal Project Discretionary grant (MPDG) application. If selected, the project would include climbing lanes on I-15 from MP 43 to 58, and the preferred alternative from the South Cedar Interchange EA. Commissioner Law moved to approve the request and Commissioner Van Tassell seconded the motion. The request was unanimously approved.

*In favor: Commissioners Cramer, Law, Gochnour, Van Tassell, Menlove, Zeenati*

*Opposed: None*

*Absent: Commissioner Evans*

#### [River Road Bridge Replacement - Funding Addition](#)

Region Three requested approval to add \$2,646,000 of Joint Highway Committee Off System Bridge funds to the River Road Bridge Replacement project to address cost increases from the 2018 estimate in mobilization, pavement, structural concrete, and reinforcing steel, as well as a design change impacting the amount of riprap and size of the structure. Commissioner Van Tassell moved to approve the request and Commissioner Law seconded the motion. The request was unanimously approved.

*In favor: Commissioners Cramer, Law, Gochnour, Van Tassell, Menlove, Zeenati*

*Opposed: None*

*Absent: Commissioner Evans*

#### [Bridge Formula Program - Project Additions](#)

Bob Pelly, UDOT STIP Coordinator, requested approval for additions to the Bridge Formula Program:

- Box Elder County: Replace four locally owned bridges - \$8,900,000 (No match required)
  - Malad River Bridge, East of Portage
  - 5600 West 17600 North near Garland
  - West Canal Bridge, 2.5 miles east of Fielding
  - Corinne Canal Bridge, Southeast of Fielding
- Holladay City: Replace one locally owned bridge - \$7,100,000 (Match required)
  - Highland Drive over Big Cottonwood Creek
- Midvale City: Replace one locally owned bridge - \$3,000,000 (Match required)
  - 8000 South over Jordan and SL Canals

- Riverton City: Replace one locally owned bridge - \$2,400,000 (Match required)
  - 13400 South over Utah and SL Canals
- Salt Lake City: Replace one locally owned bridge - \$7,400,000 (No match required)
  - 500 South over the Jordan River in SLC
- American Fork City: Replace two locally owned bridges - \$5,400,00 (No match required)
  - 200 South over American Fork Creek
  - 400 East over American Fork Creek
- Weber County: Replace one locally owned bridge - \$1,900,000 (No match required)
  - County Road over South Fork of Ogden River

The local agencies have been contacted and are in support of these projects. Commissioner Menlove moved to approve the request and Commissioner Law seconded the motion. The request was unanimously approved.

*In favor: Commissioners Cramer, Law, Gochmour, Van Tassell, Menlove, Zeenati*

*Opposed: None*

*Absent: Commissioner Evans*

#### [Ibapah Road Safety and Rehabilitation - New Project - For Information Only](#)

Valued at \$18,131,122.13, the Ibapah Road Safety and Rehabilitation project was recently awarded grants from the Federal Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2023; Rural Surface Transportation grant, and Nationally Significant Federal Lands and Tribal Projects programs. Tooele County also provided a local match. The scope of this new project will rehabilitate the existing pavement, install guardrails, update traffic signs and upgrade drainage culverts.

#### [Neffs Canyon Trailhead Improvements - New Project - For Information Only](#)

The Neffs Canyon Trailhead Improvements project was recently awarded \$800,000 from the Federal Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2023, and will be funded with the required match of \$58,093 from Millcreek City. The project will resurface the Neffs Canyon Parking Lot and install new restrooms.

#### [Region Three Emergency Pavement Projects - For Information Only](#)

Approved by Deputy Director authority given in the Utah Transportation Commission Policy 01-01, Region Three has added three emergency pavement repair projects:

- US-40, MP 88 to 96 - \$175,000
- US-191, MP 379.8 to 386 - \$170,000
- US-40, Heber to Duchesne - \$155,000

#### [US-89 Widening from 200 South, Pleasant Grove to 500 East, American Fork - For Information Only](#)

On July 31, MAG approved the request to transfer \$7,371,219 from the State Street, Pleasant Grove 200 South to American Fork, 500 East, Phase 1 project to the new US-89; Widening from Pleasant Grove to 500 East in American Fork, Phase 2 project. Due to challenges obtaining an agreement with UPRR, the project has been split into two phases. Phase 1 will focus on improvements at the 500 East in American Fork and Pleasant Grove Boulevard/200 South areas, and Phase 2 will focus on road widening and intersection improvements in between those locations, and will be completed when the agreements are completed.

#### [Patchwork Parkway's Interpretive Signage & Kiosks - For Information Only](#)

Utah's Patchwork Parkway has coordinated with the National Scenic Byway Program (NSBP) and received funds to build Utah's Patchwork Parkway's Interpretive Signage and Kiosks along SR-143. The \$312,358 project is in partnership with Iron and Garfield counties, along with the communities of Parowan, Brian Head and Panguitch, and will construct nine interpretive Kiosk facilities, replace four byway wayfinding/directional metal signs, and produce printed and digital-accessible interpretive materials. The project is aligned with the byway Corridor Management Plan and Interpretive & Signage Master Plan to develop safe accessible sites to provide historical, archaeological, cultural, natural, recreational and scenic interpretive information to enhance the traveler's experience. A discussion about sign replacements took place.

### Carbon Reduction Plan Development - For Information Only

Approved by Deputy Director authority given in the Utah Transportation Commission Policy 01-01, the \$250,000 Carbon Reduction Plan Development project will fund the initial development of the Statewide Carbon Reduction Strategy Plan.

### Project Combinations - For Information Only

Bob Pelly reviewed recent project combinations in each Region.

### Draft FY 2024-2029 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) - Approval to Release to FHWA/FTA for Review & Approval

Bob Pelly reviewed comments received, and requested approval to release the Draft FY 2024-2029 STIP to FHWA/FTA for review and approval. Commissioner Law moved to approve the request and Commissioner Menlove seconded the motion. The request was unanimously approved.

*In favor: Commissioners Cramer, Law, Gochnour, Van Tassell, Menlove, Zeenati*

*Opposed: None*

*Absent: Commissioner Evans*

### 2023 ACIP AMENDMENT - For Information Only

Bob Pelly reviewed a project combination at the Monticello airport.

### RECREATIONAL TRAILS PROGRAM

Bob Pelly requested approval to add the 2024 Recreational Trails Program to the current STIP. Commissioner Menlove moved to approve the request and Commissioner Van Tassell seconded the motion. The request was unanimously approved.

*In favor: Commissioners Cramer, Law, Gochnour, Van Tassell, Menlove, Zeenati*

*Opposed: None*

*Absent: Commissioner Evans*

### PRIORITIZATION PROCESS DOCUMENT - FOR APPROVAL

Andrea Olson, UDOT Planning Director, requested approval of the New Transportation Capacity Project Prioritization Process document, and reviewed the next steps in the prioritization process. Commissioner Gochnour moved to approve the request and Commissioner Cramer seconded the motion. The request was unanimously approved.

*In favor: Commissioners Cramer, Law, Gochnour, Van Tassell, Menlove, Zeenati*

*Opposed: None*

*Absent: Commissioner Evans*

### EXPRESS LANE FEE WAIVER FOR RUC PILOT

Daryl Ballantyne, UDOT RUC Program Manager, requested approval to waive toll fees for pilot participants during the 6-month Road Usage Charge Local Overlay and Tolling Integration Pilot. An awarded STSFA grant will reimburse UDOT for the costs of the participants waived fees, an estimated \$6,000. Commissioner Gochnour moved to approve the request and Commissioner Law seconded the motion. The request was unanimously approved.

*In favor: Commissioners Cramer, Law, Gochnour, Van Tassell, Menlove, Zeenati*

*Opposed: None*

*Absent: Commissioner Evans*

### CORRIDOR PRESERVATION

Carmen Swanwick, reviewed the Marda Dillree Corridor Preservation budget and obligations and fund tracking.

### SR-85/Foothill Boulevard: Patterson Construction, Saratoga Springs

Carmen requested approval to purchase a 14.31 property of four parcels in Saratoga Springs that will be used for the future of SR-85/Foothill Boulevard. The property has appraised for \$4,151,700. Commissioner Cramer moved to approve the request and Commissioner Menlove seconded the motion. The request was unanimously approved.



*In favor: Commissioners Cramer, Law, Gochmour, Van Tassell, Menlove, Zeenati*

*Opposed: None*

*Absent: Commissioner Evans*

### **ADMINISTRATIVE RULES REVIEW**

#### **R940-3: State Infrastructure Bank Fund - For Approval**

Peter Asplund, UDOT Policy and Legislative Services Deputy Director, reviewed and requested approval of the changes to R940-3: State Infrastructure Bank Fund, which were needed due to State Infrastructure Bank (SIB) amendments provided in [SB 185](#) (line 1854), which requires UDOT to establish a separate account in the SIB for infrastructure loans for publicly owned infrastructure projects in greenfield areas that are located no less than one mile from an existing municipal or county water supply, water distribution facility or wastewater facility. Commissioner Law moved to approve the request and Commissioner Menlove seconded the motion. The request was unanimously approved.

*In favor: Commissioners Cramer, Law, Gochmour, Van Tassell, Menlove, Zeenati*

*Opposed: None*

*Absent: Commissioner Evans*

#### **R940-10: Guidelines for Department Participation in Transportation Reinvestment Zones - For Review**

Leif Elder, UDOT Policy and Legislative Services Director, reviewed new rule R940-10: Guidelines for Department Participation in Transportation Reinvestment Zones, which establishes a process for Department participation in a Transportation Reinvestment Zone (TRZ), created under Section [11-13-227](#). The objective of Department participation in a TRZ is to enhance the State transportation system by accelerating State highway projects or projects on local highways that are eligible for Federal funds in areas where the projects are likely to stimulate increased local tax revenue that can be used to offset the cost of those projects. Pursuant to Utah Code Section 11-13-227, two or more public entities can enter into an agreement to create a TRZ, including the boundaries of the zone; define the specific transportation improvements that are needed, and establish the terms for sharing increased property tax and sales tax generated within the defined TRZ zone. Revenue generated within a TRZ can be used for a wide variety of transportation improvements, including roads, sidewalks, bike and walking paths and transit. In addition to providing a tool for local entities to work together on infrastructure issues within a TRZ, TRZs are also a potential tool for local entities to formally partner with the State for infrastructure projects. That partnership can be between the State and a single local entity, or multiple local entities.

### **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

#### **Commission Committee Reports**

[Commissioner Menlove](#) reported on Corridor Preservation Advisory Committee meetings, as well as local government meetings in Region One to learn about the issues of local communities. [Commissioner Gouhnour](#) reported on WFRC's Wasatch Choices update. [Commissioner Cramer](#) echoed Commissioner Menlove's comments about the Corridor Preservation Advisory Committee meetings, and talked about line striping improvements. [Commissioner Law](#) complimented Region Four on design and outreach for Cedar City. [Commissioner Van Tassell](#) complimented work done by WFRC and Region Three to keep trucks on the road and not off the road. [Chair Zeenati](#) reported on CIB and DTAC meetings.

#### **Upcoming Transportation Commission Meetings**

- September 21-22, Duchesne
- November 16-17, Hurricane
- December 14-15, UDOT Complex

Commissioner Law moved to adjourn the meeting at 11:30 a.m.



Heather Barthold, Commission Assistant