

MPO Technical Advisory Committee

MINUTES | September 25, 2023 | 1:30 - 3:00

Location: Central Utah Water Conservancy District 1426 East 750 North, Bldg. 2 Orem, UT
YouTube: <https://youtu.be/ehCSCviLje4>

Attending:

Aaron Wilson
Alma Haskell
Andy Spencer
Ben Hunter
Brad Kenison
Brian Amaya
Chandler Goodwin
Charles Allen
Chris Wilson
Dave Anderson
Dede Murray
Dillon Muirbrook
Emma Patching
Eric Mason
Eric Rasband
Jack Henneman
Jason Bond
Jed Muhlestein
Jered Johnson, Vice Chair
Jeremy Lapin
Jill Spencer, Chair
Josh Yost
Kevin Croshaw
Kim Struthers
Mary DeLaMare-Schaefer
McKay Parkinson
Michael Florence
Mike West
Naseem Ghandor
Nick Wilcox

Representing:

Pleasant Grove
UTA
Highland
American Fork
Lehi

Cedar Hills
Paramatrix
Springville
Spanish Fork
UTA
Spanish Fork
Provo City
UDOT
UDOT

Santaquin
Alpine
Spanish Fork
Saratoga Springs
Payson
Springville
Avenue Consultants
Lehi
UTA
Kimley-Horn
Lindon
Lehi
Vineyard
UTA

Patrick James	Vineyard
Richard Nielson	Utah County
Rob Hunter	Mapleton
Robert Mills	Payson
Sarah Carroll	Saratoga Springs
Sam Kelly	Orem
Mayor Wyatt Cook	Cedar Fort
Vern Kessler	Provo

MAG Staff:

Melanie Haws	Dan Wayne	Kendall Willardson
Bob Allen	Shauna Mecham	Jim Price

Jill Spencer called the meeting to order at 1:34 pm.

Public Comment

None

Approve MPO TAC Minutes August 28, 2023 (0:52)

Rob Huter moved to approve the August 28, 2023 meeting minutes. Brad Kenison seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Utah County Corridor Preservation Requests – Jim Price, MAG

Pony Express Parkway, Saratoga Springs (1:55)

Saratoga Springs City is requesting Corridor Preservation Funds in order to acquire multiple segments of ROW located between Saratoga Road (2300 W) and 1100 W as follows:

1. 2.82 acres from a 23.355-acre larger parcel, 1331 E 145 N. Mostly vacant land partially improved with a 2,016-sf single-family home constructed in 1966, associated perimeter field fencing, gravel road base, detached garage, several storage structures. Appraised Value \$920,500
2. 0.38 acre from a 3.780-acre larger parcel, 7390 N 8350 W. Vacant land. Appraised value \$129,600
3. 1.24 acres from a 12.369-acre larger parcel, 8925 W 7350 N. Vacant land. Appraised value \$393,600
4. 3.33 acres from a 28.506-acre larger parcel, 8901 W 7350 N. Four contiguous tax parcels of mostly vacant land partially improved with a 1,149-sf single-family home constructed in 1970, perimeter field fencing, corral fencing gravel road base, well house, and a storage shed that has no contributory value.

Appraised value - \$1,125,300
Estimated closing costs - \$50,000
Total Funds Requested - \$2,569,000
Remaining CPF balance - \$3,884,015

Brad Kenison moved that the MPO TAC recommend to the MPO Board approval of the Saratoga Springs request for \$2,569,000 in Corridor Preservation Funds. Richard Nielson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Salem Parkway, Utah County [\(10:22\)](#)

Utah County is requesting Corridor Preservation Funds in order to acquire ROW located at approximately 1600 W 8000 S in Spanish Fork. The property is mostly vacant agricultural land improved with a concrete irrigation ditch and perimeter field fencing. 1.091 acres from a 10.606-acre larger parcel.

Appraised Value - \$356,800
Estimated closing costs - \$20,000
Total Funds Requested - \$376,800
Remaining CPF balance - \$3,507,215

Jason Bond moved that the MPO TAC recommend to the MPO Board approval of the Utah County request for \$376,800 in Corridor Preservation Funds. Vern Keesler seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Jim Price announced that he is retiring from MAG end of November and thanked everyone for many years of great interactions.

TIP Modification American Fork 700N Connection – Bob Allen, MAG

American Fork 700 N Connection [\(16:38\)](#)

In 2016, American Fork was awarded \$1,100,000 in MAG Exchange funds to connect 700 N from 100 E to 200 E. The project includes a 3-lane cross-section and a new signal at 100 E.

The project is intended to begin construction as soon as possible, and costs have risen considerably since the project was initially selected due to inflation. Additionally, due to grades in the area, a traditional intersection at 200 E is not feasible.

American Fork is requesting a scope change to add a roundabout at the 200 E intersection and additional funds to cover the costs of the project.

Original Funds	\$1,100,000
10% Contingency	\$ 110,000
Additional Funds	\$1,389,503
New MAG Total	\$2,599,503

Brad Kenison moved to recommend the scope change and addition of \$1,389,503 to the American Fork 700 North project to be approved. Mary DeLaMare-Schaefer seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Bob Allen reminded TAC that the TIP Selection is ongoing and to log into Workflow to submit projects ideas. Drat ideas are due by October 5th.

Safe Street for All Update – Charles Allen, Parametrix [\(21:43\)](#)

SS4A is a new federal program developed through the newest transportation bill. It is a specific grant directed at improving safety on the streets in America. US DOT SS4A grant program receives \$1B annually for 5 years. There are two grant types: 1) planning grants, and 2) implementation grants. MAG was awarded a planning grant in 2022 to complete a safety action plan. Parametrix was hired to do the safety action plan for the MAG area.

The primary objective of the grant is to position for future implementation grants and elevate safety in the MPO/RPO project planning and prioritization process. The intent is to develop projects that are data driven.

Local government coordination will consist of monthly stakeholder committee meetings and quarterly update to MAG staff. Public outreach will be conducted via pop-up community events, websites, online survey, pedestrian intercept surveys, and in-person and virtual open houses.

Next steps and timeline

Ongoing	Crash analysis and public engagement
Early October	Stakeholder committee meetings begin
Late 2023	Early project identification
Spring 2024	Plan adoption
June 2024	First package of project concepts complete
July 2024	Anticipated Implementation Grant deadline

Counties and cities can apply individually or collectively. MAG will be in contact with staff to collect information needed to begin the grant process.

Other Business and Adjournment [\(39:59\)](#)

Next Meeting scheduled for October 23, 2023.

Dan Wayne reminded TAC that cycle 2 of the Technical Assistance to Governments program letters of intent are due September 28th. The letters of intent allow MAG to learn what the basic project concept is and determine if it is eligible, or if there are other funding sources better suited to meet that request. Letters of intent can be submitted online.

A survey was recently distributed in the MAG region regarding the Regional Opportunities Team. The intent of the survey is to better coordinate State resources and tackle some difficult local problems. They are collecting and reviewing ideas to build a team to leverage everyone's resources.

Richard Nielson moved to adjourn the meeting at 2:19 p.m. Brad Kenison seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.