

Transportation Mobility Advisory Committee Meeting September 21, 2023

Item 1 – Introductions

- The meeting was called to order at 12:30 PM by Ms. Joy McMurray, TMAC Chair. Ms. McMurray welcomed those in attendance and asked them to introduce themselves. Those attending the meeting:

Committee Members

James Hamula – District 1
Joy McMurray – District 2, Committee Chair
Geoff McLaughlin – District 3, Committee Vice-Chair
Beth Alligood – District 4
Lisa Jensen – Planning Commission Member (At Large)
David Hurtado – Alternate
Greg McFarlane – Academia (At Large)
Noah Gordon – Alternate

Other Attendees

Gordon Haight – Public Works, City Engineer
Vern Keeslar – Public Works, Traffic Manager
Kaehan Shour – Public Works, Engineer
David Day – Public Works, Assistant City Engineer/Development Engineering Coordinator
Joseph Gandy – Public Works Management Analyst/Public Information
David Michelsen – Public Works Engineer
Jansten Teuscher – Development Services Planning
Boden Golding – Development Services Parking
Judy Johnson – Public Works Office Assistant

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Item 2 – Welcome to Mr. Noah Gordon, new Alternate TMAC member

- Ms. McMurray welcomed Mr. Gordon as the newest TMAC member and asked him to introduce himself. Mr. Gordon is a lifelong Provo resident who lives with his family in the Grandview area; all six of his children have attended BYU. Mr. Gordon is currently the City Engineer in Lindon; past jobs have included consulting and working for Springville City.

Item 3 – Approval of August 17, 2023 TMAC Meeting Minutes

- Mr. McLaughlin made a motion to approve the August 17, 2023 TMAC minutes. Mr. Hamula seconded the motion; the minutes were approved unanimously.

Item 4 – Update on Letter to Mayor/City Council regarding sections within the BMP to be integrated into the TMP – Mr. Geoff McLaughlin

- The letter was sent to Engineering earlier this week; it was then forwarded to the Council and the Mayor's Office.

Item 5 – Road Rehab and Maintenance Projects Update – Mr. David Michelsen, Provo Engineering

- Mr. Michelsen presented a PowerPoint called *Road Rehab Project Recap* that included information on milling, overlaying, and micro-surfacing roads; it is attached at the end of these notes. Projects noted in this presentation included:
 - Center Street – milled and overlaid between University Avenue and Freedom Boulevard. A raised crosswalk was installed at 450 West; another will be installed at 50 West. Outdoor dining areas were added on the northeast corners of 100 West and 200 West by removing planters and replacing them with concrete.
 - Lakeshore Drive was micro-surfaced.
 - 880 North, west of Geneva Road; 3" of new asphalt was put on the road.
 - 1375 West was rebuilt with additional asphalt.
 - 1550 West and the road to the west were resurfaced; bike lines and striping were added from 900 North to the school.
 - The roundabout at 3700 North 300 W was resurfaced.
 - The 700 East Center Street roundabout was resurfaced.
 - Quail Valley Drive from 250 East to Foothill Drive was resurfaced and new striping was added.
 - Additional work was done on smaller roads and cul-de-sacs.
- Discussion items included:
 - The effect of harsh winter conditions on roads.
 - The fact that the budget covers work on about 2% of Provo's roads. (Mr. Michelsen later updated this calculation to 4%.) The annual road maintenance budget is \$2.6 million this year; next year it will be increased to \$3.6 million. We've borrowed from next year's road budget to finish this year's projects. The LTAP (USU's Local Technical Assistance Program) study indicated that it would take around \$6 million per year to adequately preserve Provo's roads. It was agreed that the current road maintenance budget is unsustainable for the work that needs to be done every year.
 - The fact that it is much less costly to maintain roads every few years rather than to rebuild roads after many years. It is necessary to balance maintaining good roads while repairing bad roads. The roads that have higher traffic volumes are typically maintained before less-used roads have work done on them.
 - The Utility Transportation Fund and whether an increase in that assessment is needed to meet road maintenance needs. It was agreed that the UTF is a more cost-effective way to fund road maintenance instead of bonding for that purpose. UTF information was shown for other Utah cities; Provo's assessment is one of the lowest.
 - TMAC's involvement in reviewing the road maintenance budget; is that within the Committee's purview? A comment was made that TMAC should be educating the public and the Council, sharing information with both.
 - Mr. Haight stated that Engineering has presented road maintenance information to the Council and will be presenting it again. He also pointed out that we are competing with many other Provo City needs.

- It was agreed that this presentation and subsequent discussion was informative and worthwhile; Mr. Michelsen was asked to attend October's TMAC meeting to present information on the results of the study completed by LTAP for Provo City.

Item 6 – Transportation and Mobility Improvements in Provo – Mr. Vern Keeslar, Traffic Manager

- A PowerPoint titled, *Transportation Projects Update* was presented by Mr. Keeslar. The PowerPoint is included at the end of these notes and includes information on:
 - 3230 North Canyon Road Crossing; raised median installed.
 - 3650 North Quail Valley Drive Restriping.
 - 900 East State Street Striping.
 - 550 West at Parkway Village Shopping Center Safety Improvements.
 - 1730 North/Carterville Road Intersection Improvements.
 - 100 South/600 West Intersection Improvements.

Item 7 – Residential Connectors/Collectors Traffic Calming Measures – Joy McMurray, TMAC Chair

- Ms. McMurray reviewed the list of TMAC priorities for future agenda items that was completed in the May 2023 TMAC Meeting (pdf attached). Discussion focused mainly on Item G, Residential connectors/collectors traffic calming measures to make travel safer on certain Provo City streets. Discussion of this topic included:
 - Needing to find a way to make travel safer on Slate Canyon Drive.
 - Timpview Drive temporary measures that were installed last year; many residents were opposed to the ideas presented. Timpview Drive will have a new set of high school drivers every year, so safety will continue to be a problem.
 - Looking at the safety map (heat map) again in the future.
 - 100 North being the subject of complaints while a portion of Center Street is closed.
 - Traffic calming that is needed on many streets, including 1450 East, 1460 North (in Grandview area), 600 South (by Sunset Elementary), 500 West south of 300 South, and school zones.
 - The need for School Community Councils to be involved in educating students about Safe Routes to School. The process and timing of Safe Routes to School plans were explained by Mr. Kaehan Shour.
- Ms. McMurray noted that the discussion needed to end since we were out of time. It was mentioned that December 21st is a City holiday; TMAC will be canceled on that day.

Item 8 – Adjournment

- Ms. McMurray adjourned the meeting at 2:00. The next TMAC meeting will be held on October 19, 2023 at 12:30.



Road Rehab -
Project Recap 9-21-2



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Projects Update 09-2



Survey Results for
Future Agenda Item