

# DIXIE TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

## Meeting Minutes

December 6, 2023 – 1:00 p.m.

Washington County Administration Building

Training Room 301

111 E Tabernacle

St. George, UT

**Conducting: Jay Sandberg, Chairman** – Mr. Sandberg determined a quorum was present and called the DTAC meeting to order.

### MEMBERS PRESENT:

- Jay Sandberg, CHAIR, St. George City
- Arthur LeBaron, Hurricane City
- Monty Thurber, St. George City, Engineer Associate/Traffic Coordinator
- Todd Edwards, Washington County
- Cameron Cutler, St. George City Public Works Director
- Chuck Gillette, Ivins City
- Kyle Gubler, LaVerkin City
- Paul Mogle, Washington City
- Dustin Mouritsen, Santa Clara City Public Works Director
- Kim Manwill, UDOT
- JD Adams, Toquerville City
- Angela Rohr, Leeds

### MEMBERS ABSENT:

- None

### OTHER ATTENDEES:

- Myron Lee, Dixie MPO
- Nicholas Gayer, Dixie MPO
- Lloyd Sutton, St. George City Active Transportation Coordinator
- Vern Maloy, Sunrise Engineering
- Pedro M. Lopez, Avenue Consultants
- Kurt Ivie, Washington City
- Bob Lamoreaux, Stanley Consultants
- Leslie Fonger, Washington County
- Ryker Steglich, Toquerville City
- Judith Rognli, Conserve Southwest Utah
- Sharice Walker, Avenue Consultants
- Other attendees were present but did not introduce themselves.

### 1. ADMINISTRATIVE:

- A. Consider Minutes from November 1, 2023.

Chairman Sandberg noted that no additions or corrections were mentioned and called for a motion to approve the minutes.

**Cameron Cutler made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Arthur LeBaron seconded the motion. The minutes were approved with all Committee members verbally voting in favor of the motion.**

2. PLANNING:

- A. Report on SS4A Safety Study: Preliminary Survey Results – Nicholas Gayer reported that the recent survey has been completed with responses from every zip code in Washington County. The next step is the analysis portion.
- B. Presentation on Roadway Functional Classification – Myron Lee reported that we have been working with UDOT to do a boundary update as part of our processes with federal highways. That boundary update will expand to incorporate the full city boundaries of Toquerville and may end up bringing Virgin into the MPO at some future point.

Myron Lee stated that federal highways require that a functional class map be created and updated to show the state highways and how those are looking. He stated that we will be trying to get the functional classifications in every city updated by April 15, 2024.

Myron will send out the web link to the interactive map this week.

<https://uplan.maps.arcgis.com/apps/mapviewer/index.html?webmap=ab887538902946fb963e8b9dc43fd79a>

- C. TIP Funding Review, CRP Funds, STP Funds, TAP Funds – Myron Lee led a discussion on the CRP Funds, STP Funds, and TAP Funds. Following a detailed discussion, **Arthur LeBaron made a motion to recommend to DTEC the following projects to the 2025 – 2028 Dixie MPO Transportation Investment Fund:**
- **STP Projects**
    - **Western Corridor – Old Highway 91 to Gap Canyon Phase 1 – to receive \$500,000 of STP\_SU\_DMPO funds in STIP year 2027.**
    - **Red Hills Parkway Widening, Middleton Drive to Green Springs – to receive \$890,000 of STP\_SU\_DMPO funds in STIP year 2028.**
    - **River Road Widening, Enterprise Drive to SR-7 – to receive \$1.4 million STP\_SU\_DMPO funds in STIP year 2028.**
  - **CRP and TAP Fund Nominations:**
    - **Ivins Trail Network Gap Fill Project – to receive \$115,569 of TAP\_SU\_DMPO funds in STIP year 2023; \$245,000 of**

TAP\_SU\_DMPO funds in STIP year 2024; and \$14,642 of CARBON\_DMPO funds in STIP year 2024.

- Rim Rock Trail – St. George City – to receive \$250,000 of CARBON\_DMPO funds in STIP year 2024.
- Trail Signage, Trail Striping, Trail Cams – Washington City – to receive \$121,000 of TAP\_SU\_DMPO funds in STIP year 2023.

**Paul Mogle seconded the motion. The motion was approved with all Committee members verbally voting in favor of the motion.**

- D. Presentation of Concept Report Ratings / Project Selection for TIP 2023-2027 funds
- STP Project nominations:
    1. Western Corridor – Old Highway 91 to GAP Canyon Phase 1
    2. Red Hills Parkway widening – Middleton Dr. to Green Springs
    3. River Rd. Widening – Enterprise Dr. to Desert Color Parkway
    4. Hidden Valley Dr. Extension – to Desert Color Parkway
  - CRP and TAP Fund nominations:
    1. Ivins Trail Network Gap Fill Project
    2. Rim Rock Trail – St. George City
    3. Trail Signage, Trail Striping, Trail Cams – Washington City

**STP Project nominations and CRP and TAP Fund Nominations were discussed in detail prior to the motion indicated in Item C.**

### 3. LOCAL PROJECT STATUS UPDATES

- A. **Hurricane** – We are now advertising for springtime pavement management. We have an active road project at 700 W between State Street and 600 N, which is an important north-south connector.
- B. **Ivins** – Highway 91 is nearly complete. Phase II is under design with Mainline Engineering, and they are hoping to do that next phase in the Spring/Summer of 2024. We will also be doing some pavement management.
- C. **LaVerkin** – Will also be doing some pavement management.
- D. **Leeds** – Still working with water conservancy in getting water piping installed on main street.
- E. **St. George City** – We are in the progress of doing a final lift on River Road from Enterprise Drive to SR7. We started paving on 3000 E between 2000 S and 1580. We are having a pre-bid meeting for the final section of 3000 E from 2000 S to Seegmiller Dr. We are also starting a crack seal project. Are working with Avenue on some coordination on our major corridors (100 S and Mall Drive). The trail counters are starting to get installed. Several have been tested and the data platform is up and running. We have hired Civil Science to do the SR7 trail and will go as far as the money will allow.
- F. **Santa Clara City** – Vineyard Phase 2 is nearly complete. We hope to start Phase 3 in July. Red Mountain Drive project will start the underground next week (which is the extension from Pioneer Parkway to Hamblin Parkway – Western Corridor). We have been meeting monthly with Horrocks Engineering to update our traffic and transportation master plan. Will also be doing some crack seal and pavement management.

- G. **Toquerville** – The realignment of Highway 91 is nearly complete. We are working on submitting a right-of-way application to BLM for Solara, which is a development that is on the border of Leeds and Toquerville. Also getting ready to move forward with the Tri - Creek turn lanes where it ties into the Parkway. We are also working toward updating the Master Transportation Plan.
- H. **Washington City** – The Washington Fields Road extension to the airport should be paved during December. They are working on installing (3) traffic signals which are in the design stage at the present time. They are also paving at the 3650 interchange and will be diverting the southern parkway traffic to start working on the bridge. They are tearing down the southbound bridge on the Main Street interchange.
- I. **Washington County** –The SR18 multi-use path was bid this last week. The Master Transportation plan update has been completed and is ready to present to the planning commission next week.
- J. **UDOT** – The 10-13 project is coming along well, and we will switch traffic onto the new structures in the next couple of weeks. UDOT will be having a meeting next week on the Northern Corridor and will be setting regular monthly/quarterly update meetings going forward. The 6-8 has completed the environmental, the next phase will be to obtain funding for the design phase. The Connecting Community Grant was discussed and how it applies to the 400 E and 900 S corridors and I-15. SR-7 Active Transportation project is progressing, in particular the section from Dixie Springs down to Sand Hollow. The other (2) sections were also discussed (Washington by Long Valley, and from exit 2, I-15 all the way to exit 7 on the Southern Parkway). UDOT intends to put an RFQ out the first of the year which will definitely include the widening of I-15. **There is a northern corridor open house tonight for a public scoping meeting and the Committee members were encouraged to attend.**

Myron Lee also noted that he needs Hurricane and Washington to sign their cooperating agency agreements. Mr. Lee also led a discussion on the status of the northern corridor.

Stephanie Tomlin with UDOT gave an overview presentation of the Utah Trail Network. A discussion was held as well as time for questions. A URL was up on the screen which will take individuals to the UDOT trail network website. The website will provide information about the guiding principles and the program delivery schedule.

- 5. Upcoming Meetings / Deadlines:
  - A. December 19, 2023 – DTEC Meeting
  - B. January 16, 2023 - DTEC Meeting
  - C. February 7, 2023 – DTAC Meeting
  - D. February 13, 2023 – Dixie Transportation Expo

ALL BUSINESS HAVING BEEN CONDUCTED, THE MEETING ADJOURNED.