



# IRON COUNTY RURAL PLANNING ORGANIZATION

ICRTEC CHAIR—MAYOR Geoffrey Chesnut • ICRTAC CHAIR—Rob Dotson • TRANS. PLANNING DIRECTOR—Myron Lee

## MINUTES

### Rural Transportation Executive Council (RTEC)

March 06, 2024, 1:00 p.m.

(Note: Prior to the ICCOG Meeting)

Cedar City Council Chambers

10 N. Main St.

Cedar City, Utah 84720

#### MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Mayor Betty Gould  
Commissioner Paul Cozzens  
Mayor Garth Green  
Mayor Clayton Calloway  
Mayor Geoffrey Chesnut  
Mayor Mollie Halterman  
Mayor Tod Robinson

#### MEMBERS EXCUSED

#### OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE

Nate Wiberg (Online)  
Scott Buys  
Reed Erickson  
Chris Hall  
Rob Dotson (Online)  
George Colson  
Richard Wilson  
Patrick Anderson  
Jonathan Stathis  
Dan Jessen  
Evan Vickers  
Commissioner Marilyn Wood

#### REPRESENTING

Kanarrville Town  
Iron County  
Cedar City  
Brian Head  
Enoch City  
Parowan  
Paragonah

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FCAOG  
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UDOT  
Enoch  
Iron County Emergency Management  
Iron County Engineer  
UDWR  
Cedar City  
Parowan City  
State Senate  
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**I. Quorum Declaration**

Mayor Geoffrey Chesnut welcomed everyone, called the meeting to order, and declared that a quorum was present to conduct business.

**II. Approve Minutes for a Nov. 01, 2023 & Jan. 03, 2024**

Mayor Geoffrey Chesnut presented the meeting minutes from November 01, 2023 & January 03, 2024, for consideration of adoption.

**Mayor Clayton Calloway made a motion to approve the minutes from Nov. 01, 2023 & Jan. 03, 2023. Paul Bittmenn seconded the motion. The motion was carried by unanimous vote.**

**III. Elect a Chair for the ICRTEC**

Mayor Chesnut stated that the RTEC makes an annual motion to elect a Chair.

**Mayor Chesnut entertained a motion to elect a Chair. Mayor Clayton Calloway made a motion to keep Mayor Chesnut as Chair and Mayor Mollie Halterman as Vice Chair. There was discussion that the RTEC previously made this motion. No second was made.**

**IV. Elect a Vice Chair for the ICRTEC**

**Note – There was discussion that they made the motion another time. No second was made. See item number III.**

**V. Add 5200 N in Enoch to the Corridor Preservation Priority List**

Rob Dotson explained that projects added to the Preservation Priority List can only be added on an annual basis and applied for before February 1. He stated that Enoch City is in negotiation with the property owners of 5200 North in Enoch. Mayor Halterman asked if he needs a motion to add this to the Corridor Preservation Priority List.

**Mayor Halterman made a motion to add 5200 North in Enoch to the Corridor Preservation Priority List. Mayor Calloway seconded the motion. The motion was carried by unanimous vote.**

**VI. 2024 Meeting Schedule and Roster**

There was discussion among the group about the location of the next meeting which was determined to be in Iron County. Commissioner Paul Cozzens will be the new RTEC representative for Iron County and the rest of the RTEC representatives will remain the same.

**VII. UDOT Updates & Business**



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Chris Hall stated that UDOT is moving forward with the environmental review for the South Cedar Interchange. The construction of the new South Cedar Interchange is funded, and as soon as the environmental review is complete, UDOT will move into the design of the preferred alternative. Chris Hall stated that the environmental review will be complete by the end of the year.

UDOT is currently working on the design for an additional I-15 lane from the northbound rest area to milepost-56. The new interchange will extend the climbing lane so there will be three lanes all the way through Cedar City. The design for the additional lane should be complete by October and construction should start next year.

Chris Hall stated that the project on SR-143 toward Brian Head is currently on a winter hold. This project will move forward as the weather permits.

UDOT will announce the results for the Enoch Underpass planning grant application by the end of the month. Cedar City is waiting to hear back on a TIF Active grant application for the trail along Industrial Road, but they are waiting to hear back from the Transportation Commission.

The Utah Trail Network program is looking to build a multi-use path connection from Cedar City to Enoch. This project is on the ranked list, but it has not been determined to receive funding at this time.

There was a shot discussion about how the Roundabout by the university is still in design. There was a continued discussion about the South Cedar Interchange and an active transportation element of the interchange.

**Note – This item began part way through item VIII.**

## **VIII. Project and Study Update/Other Discussion Items**

Mayor Green discussed that Cedar City has made an announcement to expand the Cedar City Airport and that there will be a series of meetings regarding the expansion. He stated that their contract with Sky West expires this year. He asked those who have received invites to the unveiling on the 26<sup>th</sup>, to please attend. He inquired of those who were asked to write a letter of support for chartering Sky West, to please submit their letters. Mayor Green discussed that they are bringing in a small group from Sky West for the Cedar City Airport Expansion. Mayor Green explained that the current airport holds fifty people with social distancing regulations and hopes to expand to 200. He stated that the expansion would allow them to bring in larger airplanes.

Mayor Green talked about how the 100 East connection in Cedar City is essential. He stated that the BLM and Forest Service announced that they will lease the property that bisects the road to Cedar City for 30 years, and that they will work on a transfer of the property.



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Cedar City is working to convert the flow of water coming out of the wastewater treatment plant to type-one without costing too much money. The hope is that they can reuse that water for other uses around Cedar City. Mayor Green shared examples of where they could use the water.

Mayor Halterman of Parowan stated that their Active Transportation Plan is complete, and it that was recommended to be part of their Master Plan. Parowan City is in the planning process for their Transportation Plan. Dan Jessen discussed that the location of the Main Street Bridge will be on Main Street and not 100 West. They are getting ready to advertise an RFP for an engineer and a bridge design. Due to a water project that needs to be completed first, the bridge construction will be in the winter of 2025/2026.

Commissioner Wood explained that Iron County fixed the dip at 3000 North and 2300 West. Commissioner Cozzens mentioned that they will chip seal 7700 West. Reed Erickson stated that the County just finished the Belt Route Access Management Plan and that it details the concepts of the major intersections and alignment adjustments.

Mayor Chesnut discussed that they have three major road projects coming up. The projects are 600 East, resurfacing the east end of Midvalley Road, and enhancing access to the ice-skating rink. They are waiting to hear if their UDOT planning grant will be funded. Enoch is continuing to work with HBA on a transportation impact fee.

There was discussion about how Parowan and Enoch are going in together to buy a chip seal system. There was also discussion about how important road maintenance is.

**IX. Next Meeting**

Mayor Chesnut stated that the next meeting is on May 1, 2024. Location: TBD, Iron County.

**X. Adjourn**

**Commissioner Cozzens made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mayor Clayton Calloway. The motion was carried by unanimous vote.**