

MINUTES
WFRC || Active Transportation Committee
February 11, 2025

WFRC Active Transportation Committee Meeting was held at WFRC Office, 41 N Rio Grande Street, Salt Lake City and via Zoom.

1. Introductions and consent agenda

Hugh Van Wagenen, Active Transportation Planner with WFRC, welcomed everyone and informed the group that the Active Transportation Committee Chair, Mayor Troy Walker, was running late. Vice Chair, Mayor Joy Petro, granted Hugh permission to continue facilitating the meeting, as she was en route. **ACTION: [00:01:46]** Hugh Van Wagenen requested a motion to approve the minutes from the October 8th, 2024 meeting. Mayor Ken Phippen of Farr West made the motion, and Jared Bowling of UDOT seconded. There was no further discussion, and the motion passed unanimously. **[00:02:41]** Hugh initiated a roll call, both in the room and online.

2. Chair report [00:04:49]

- a. **Welcome new and returning members** Hugh Van Wagenen welcomed the committee members and reviewed the list of new and returning Active Transportation members. Mayor Phippen of Farr West and Councilmember Dave Graf of Ogden City each gave brief remarks.
- b. **Current Initiatives [00:06:06]** Hugh Van Wagenen opened the meeting to discuss the possibility of an Active Transportation Education Course, which is being explored by UDOT, UTA, MAG, and other partners. Committee members provided their input, advice, and what they would like to see in a potential course. **[00:12:36]** Chris Wiltsie, Co-director at Bike Utah, gave a brief introduction to the 2026 Mobile Active Transportation Tour (MATT) that will take place in spring of 2026 in Boulder Colorado.

3. Public comment [00:16:40]

Roger Crandall with Real Salt Lake gave a public comment about needing a better system for kids riding bikes to school.

4. Beehive Bikeways/workshop feedback and Utah Trail Network [00:22:06]

Julie Bjornstad of the Wasatch Front Regional Council provided a brief overview and update on the Beehive Bikeways initiative, which aims to create a network of bike paths that separate cyclists from drivers. This initiative also seeks to connect the Wasatch Choice Centers and align with the new Utah Trail Network being developed by UDOT. Julie then led a discussion with the committee about the potential for Beehive Bikeways to become a core WFRC Active Transportation initiative and explored how WFRC can best support communities in advancing the project.

5. Regional Transportation Plan project selection criteria for active transportation [00:50:42]

Jory Johner of the Wasatch Front Regional Council explained the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP), which follows a four-year cycle. He outlined the RTP process, which includes exploring future scenarios, prioritizing projects, and adopting the plan. Jory also discussed how active transportation projects are evaluated based on their regional significance and technical criteria. After the screening, projects are assessed to determine whether they support one another, conflict with other projects, or require adjustments.

6. Regional active transportation count program [01:16:23]

Neda Kiani of UDOT provided an introduction to the initiative led by UDOT to develop an active transportation count program. The program aims to track the number of individuals walking and biking in communities across the Wasatch Front Region. Neda also offered an overview of the program's objectives and the anticipated outcomes.

7. Transportation Improvement Program applications received [01:44:38]

Hugh Van Wagenen explained that, due to time constraints, Ben Wuthrich would forgo his presentation. However, Ben will provide a handout displaying all the walking and biking projects that have been submitted around the room, and Jordon will share the handout in the chat for those attending online. Ben then gave a brief update on the timeline for these applications.

8. Overview of the Utah Open and Public Meeting Act [01:48:10]

Hugh explained that the Utah Open and Public Meeting Act video was sent via email prior to the ATC meeting and will also be available in the follow-up email. He requested that all committee members view the video as part of their annual training requirements.

9. Other Business and Adjournment [01:48:21]

Mayor Carla Merrill, Mayor of Alpine City and MAG Representative, made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mayor Ken Phippen of Farr West seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 11:03am.

A recording of this meeting, as well as meeting materials, may be found on the WFRC website at www.wfrc.org. Please see the next page for attendance.

Active Transportation Committee

2025 ATC MEMBERS			Present	Others in attendance
BOX ELDER COUNTY				
Member -	Kevin Jeppsen, Mayor	Perry	Yes	Mark Bradley, Brigham City
Alternate -	Travis Mote, Mayor	Willard	Yes	Carl Osterberg, South Salt Lake
DAVIS COUNTY				Calvin Clark, MAG
Member -	Dave Maughan, Mayor	Syracuse	No	David Rodgers, Murray
Member -	Joy Petro, Mayor (Vice Chair)	Layton	Yes	Ivan Hooper, Sandy
MORGAN COUNTY				Mack Drzayich, Alta Planning
Member -	Blaine Fackrell, Commissioner	Morgan County	No	Elizabeth Arnold, Midvale
Alternate -	Steve Gale, Mayor	Morgan City	No	Scott Shea, AECOM
SALT LAKE COUNTY				Roger Crandall, RSL
Member -	Troy Walker, Mayor (Chair)	Draper	Yes	Julie Williams, JRC
Member -	Suzanne Harrison, Councilmember	Salt Lake County	Yes	Jamie Dansie, Salt Lake Co
Alternate -	Dustin Gettel, Mayor	Midvale	No	Terri Sory, Davis Co. Health
TOOELE COUNTY				Kaitlin Marousis, HDR
Member -	Maresa Manzione, Councilmember	Tooele City	No	Camille Alexander, HDR
Alternate -	Nando Meli, Mayor	Stockton Town	No	Isaac Higham
WEBER COUNTY				Travis, UDOT
Member -	Ken Phippen, Mayor	Farr West	Yes	David Mitchell, Davis Co.
Member -	Dave Graf, Councilmember	Ogden	Yes	Elliott Mott
OTHER APPOINTMENTS				Ellen Birrell, Ctnwd Heights
Member -	Carla Merrill, Alpine City Mayor	MAG	Yes	Tom Jackson, Salt Lake Co.
Members -	Jared Bowling, Active Transportation Planning Mgr.	UDOT	Yes	WFRC Attendees
Alternate -	Stephanie Tomlin, Trails Division Leader	UDOT	Yes	Jordon Chandler
Member -	Russ Fox, Planning Director	UTA	No	Madison Aviles
NON-VOTING MEMBERS				Matt Ryan
Member -	Chris Wiltse - Co-Executive Director	Bike Utah	Yes	Rosie Hernandez
Member -	Brett McIff - Physical Activity Coordinator	Utah Department of Health	Yes	Ben Wuthrich
				Johnnae Nardone
				Hugh Van Wagener
				Jory Johner
				Chay Mosqueda
				Samantha DeSeelhorst
				Ellie Spencer
				Lauren Victor
				Julie Bjornstad