

Transportation Mobility Advisory Committee (TMAC) Meeting Minutes

Date: Thursday, June 11, 2026

Location: Provo City Public Works/Virtual

Chair: Beth Provence

1. Introductions – TMAC Vice Chair Noah Gordon

Vice Chair Noah Gordon called the meeting to order at 12:30 p.m. Committee members introduced themselves. Staff confirmed the meeting date and requested disclosure of any conflicts of interest. No conflicts of interest declared.

TMAC Members Present:

- Noah Gordon – District 4, Committee Vice Chair
- Greg Macfarlane - Transportation Academia
- Jim Brookhart – District 5 (Alternate)
- David Hurtado – District 1, Business Community Representative
- David Keller – District 5
- Kendall Thurston – District 2 (Virtual attendance)

Staff Present

- Ashley Suyak - Public Works, Executive Office Assistant
- Joseph Gandy - Public Works, Management Analyst/Public Information
- Vern Keeslar – Public Works, Traffic Manager
- Kaehan Shour - Public Works, Engineer
- Emma Patching - Public Works, Engineer
- David Michelsen – Public Works, Engineer
- Hannah Salzl – Development Services, Planner/Planning and Sustainability
- Katrice MacKay - City Council
- Rachel Whipple - City Council
- Richard Jensen

2. Action Item – Approve Minutes from May 21, 2026

Greg moved to approve May 21, 2026, meeting minutes as presented. Seconded by Jim Brookhart. Meeting minutes approved unanimously.

3. East-West Connectivity Discussion - TMAC

Staff provided a recap of the previous month's presentation regarding east-west mobility within Provo, including:

- Review of General Plan and Transportation Master Plan recommendations.
- Regional Transportation Plan references.
- Corridor Level of Service (LOS) analysis.
- Capacity utilization along major east-west corridors.
- Existing physical barriers include:
 - Interstate 15
 - Railroad corridor
 - Provo River
 - BYU campus
- Improvements completed over recent decades including:
 - Lakeview Parkway
 - 500 West underpass
 - Additional east-west connections at 820 North and 2000 North.

Committee Discussion

The committee discussed the complexity of defining "east-west connectivity," noting that transportation challenges differ significantly by neighborhood.

Topics discussed included:

- Using origin-destination (OD) data to better understand travel patterns throughout Provo.
- Presenting future OD information through maps and visual graphics.
- Reviewing travel demands by neighborhood before identifying future improvements.

- Continuing analysis in conjunction with upcoming Transportation Master Plan updates.

Center Street Corridor

The committee held an extensive discussion regarding Center Street, including:

- Operational challenges associated with the I-15 interchange.
- Historical design constraints.
- Safety concerns and crash history.
- Existing pedestrian-oriented improvements.
- Balancing downtown activity with regional traffic movement.
- Potential long-term vision for Center Street emphasizing:
 - Active transportation
 - Improved streetscape
 - Future utility reconstruction
 - Economic redevelopment

Staff reported:

- UDOT plans to reconstruct the southbound I-15 off-ramp at Center Street beginning in 2028.
- Additional restriping improvements are planned west of Geneva Road to improve safety and capacity.

Other East-West Corridors Discussed

Committee members also discussed:

- 100 North
- 500 North
- 700 North
- 800 North
- 2200 North
- Third South

- University Avenue
- Freedom Boulevard

Discussion focused on:

- Existing bottlenecks.
- Neighborhood impacts.
- Potential future roadway connections.
- Safety improvements versus roadway widening.
- Political and neighborhood considerations.
- Bicycle and pedestrian connectivity.
- Signal timing opportunities.

2200 North

Staff reviewed ongoing safety improvements including:

- Updated striping and signage.
- Vegetation removal.
- Future traffic signal considerations.
- Long-range Transportation Master Plan recommendations.

Discussion included neighborhood concerns regarding potential future widening and right-of-way impacts.

Future Planning

The committee discussed:

- Potential amendments to the Transportation Master Plan in anticipation of the 2034 Winter Olympics.
- Long-term improvements that could enhance transportation and downtown mobility before Olympic activities.

Staff also reported that UDOT is moving forward with protected left-turn improvements at University Avenue and 500 North.

4. Engineering Project Update – Engineering Staff

a. 2026 Capital Projects – Kaehan Shour

Staff provided updates on current construction projects, including:

- South State Street Trail
 - Completion anticipated October 15.
- 850 East Sidewalk
 - Completion anticipated mid-July.
- 700 East / 800 North Signal
 - Completion anticipated end of July.
- 1600 West Sidewalk
 - Completion anticipated end of June.
- Citywide Crack Seal Program
 - Nearing completion.
- Franklin CDBG ADA Ramp Improvements
 - Completed.
- Foothill CDBG Improvements
 - Currently underway.
- 500 North / 200 West Signal Reconstruction
 - Construction anticipated to begin within several weeks.

Staff also noted protected left-turn improvements will be included with the signal reconstruction.

b. 820 North Bridge Replacement Update – David Michelsen

Staff reported the bridge project remains on schedule.

Status includes:

- West side prepared for asphalt.
- Approach slabs under construction.

- East side roadway work progressing.
- Traffic anticipated to reopen by July 3, 2026.
- Trail expected to open approximately one month later following completion of retaining walls and mural work.

A public celebration is anticipated after completion of the mural.

c. University Avenue Bridge Replacement Update – Vern Keeslar

- UDOT modified the traffic control plan to maintain partial access to the southbound I-15 ramp during construction.
- Railroad coordination continues successfully.
- Utility and boring operations are progressing.
- Final approval has been received for the 600 South trail, fencing, curb, gutter, and parking improvements.
- Railroad materials are expected to be relocated in preparation for construction.
- Project limits have expanded from Second East to Fourth East due to favorable bid pricing.

Announcements

- There will be no TMAC meeting in July.
- The next meeting will be held on August 20, 2026.
- The August meeting will feature Greg's transportation presentation.

5. Adjourn

A motion was made to adjourn. The meeting adjourned following committee approval at 1:32 PM.