WASATCH FRONT REGIONAL COUNCIL

MINUTES
WFRC || Regional Growth Committee
August 20, 2026

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

1. **Introductions & Consent Agenda**
   At 9:19a.m., Mayor Tamara Tran of Kaysville City, Chair of the Regional Growth Committee, called the meeting to order and welcomed the members and guests. Introductions were made both in person and online. **ACTION**: **[00:04:01]** Bountiful City Mayor Kate Bradshaw made a motion to approve the minutes of the RGC meeting held on May 21, 2026. Herriman City Mayor Lorin Palmer seconded the motion. There was no discussion and the minutes were approved unanimously.

2. **Public Comment [00:04:22]**
   There was no public comment.

3. **Chair Report [00:04:44]**
   a. **How the Wasatch Choice Vision relates to transportation funding**
      Chair Tamara Tran shared her perspective on how she came to learn how WFRC's plans affect funding. She urged committee members to seek clarification from WFRC staff as needed. Ted Knowlton then offered a summary illustrating the link between the Wasatch Choice Vision and transportation funding.
   b. **WFRC Funding & Technical Assistance Opportunities for Local Governments [00:08:33]**
      Meg Padjen delivered a brief overview detailing the financial and technical assistance programs available through WFRC, including deadlines for each program.
   c. **2026 Wasatch Choice Vision Fall Workshops [00:11:54]**
      Samantha DeSeelhorst presented the scheduled Wasatch Choice Vision workshops for this coming October/November. She highlighted the specific regions and dates for these events and requested that any individuals who had not yet been formally invited contact staff for further information.

4. **ACTION: Release Amendment #5 to the 2023-2050 Regional Transportation Plan for Public Comment [00:18:07]**
   Jory Johner, Long Range Planning Director at the Wasatch Front Regional Council, provided an overview of the amendment process for the Regional Transportation Plan, outlining the various levels of amendments and their respective criteria. He explained that Amendment #5 includes a Level 3 project amendment and discussed the potential impacts of the project, along with the technical considerations necessary to incorporate these changes, and next steps for amendment #5. **ACTION: [00:38:01]** Fruit Heights City Mayor Jeanne Groberg made a motion to release the projects within Amendment #5 to the 2023-2050 RTP and the air quality conformity analysis as found in the Draft Air Quality Memorandum 44 to a 30-day public comment period. Morgan County Commissioner Blaine Fackrell seconded the motion. With no discussion, the motion passed unanimously.

5. **DISCUSSION: Transportation's Secret Weapon: Jobs/Housing Balance [00:39:21]**
   WFRC Executive Director Andrew Gruber and Analytics Deputy Director Bill Hereth facilitated a conversation regarding how enhancing the balance between jobs and housing in communities can strengthen the regional transportation network. Bill Hereth demonstrated the newly launched Utah Commuter Flow Web Map, designed to illustrate the volume of residents commuting outside their local area for work and its broader impact on the Wasatch Front transportation system. Committee members evaluated potential strategies for local governments to improve job-housing alignment, alongside the key challenges associated with achieving this balance.

6. **Other Business & Adjournment [01:26:46]**
   Chair Mayor Tran noted that the next Regional Growth Committee meeting is scheduled for Thursday, October 8th, and adjourned the meeting at 10:47 AM.

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.

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2026 RGC MEMBERS			Present	Others in attendance
BOX ELDER COUNTY				**Other Attendees**
Member -	Tyler Vincent, Commissioner	Box Elder County	No	Heather Montgomery, SLCo
Alternate -	Dennis Bott, Mayor	Brigham City	No	Cameron Diehl, ULCT
DAVIS COUNTY				Jeff Silvestrini, UTA Commission
Member -	Tami Tran, Mayor (Chair)	Kaysville	Yes	
Alternate -	Marie Dougherty, Mayor	Clinton	Yes	
Member -	Kate Bradshaw, Mayor	Bountiful	Yes	
Alternate -	Jeanne Groberg, Mayor	Fruit Heights	Yes	
MORGAN COUNTY				
Member-	Blaine Fackrell, Commissioner	Morgan County	Yes	
Alternate -	Tony London, Councilmember	Morgan City	No	
SALT LAKE COUNTY				
Member -	Dawn Ramsey, Mayor	South Jordan	No	
Alternate -	Alison Stroud, Councilmember	Sandy City	Yes	
Member -	Jenny Wilson, Mayor	Salt Lake County	Yes	
Member -	Kristie Overson, Mayor	Taylorsville	Yes	
Member -	Cherie Wood, Mayor	South Salt Lake	Yes	
Alternate -	Mick Sudbury, Mayor	Magna	No	
Alternate -	Gay Lynn Bennion, Mayor	Cottonwood Heights	Yes	
Alternate -	Allan Perry, Mayor	White City	No	
TOOELE COUNTY				
Member -	Heidi Hammond, Mayor	Grantsville City	Yes	**WFRC STAFF**
Alternate -	Kendall Thomas, Councilmember	Tooele County	No	Andrew Gruber, Ted Knowlton
WEBER COUNTY				Andrea Pearson, Bill Hereth
Member -	Sharon Bolos, Commissioner	Weber County	Yes	Jordon Chandler, Jory Johner
Alternate -	Rob Vanderwood, Mayor	West Haven	No	Rosie Hernandez, Joel Temple
Member -	Braden Mitchell, Mayor	Riverdale	No	Samantha DeSeelhorst
Alternate -	Ann Jackson, Mayor	Roy	No	Hugh Van Wagenen
OTHER APPOINTMENTS:				Julie Bjornstad, Meg Padjen
Member -	Natalie Gochnour, Commissioner	Utah Transportation Commission	No	Johnnae Nardone
Alternate -	Brad Dee, Commissioner	Utah Transportation Commission	No	Miranda Jones Cox
Member -		UTA Commission	Yes	Marcia White, Bill Hereth
Alternate -		UTA Commission	Vacant	Paulo Aguilera, Byron Head
Member -	Kim Frost	Utah Air Quality Board	No	Marian Florence
Alternate -		Utah Air Quality Board	Vacant	
Member -	Jason Brown, Executive Director	Envision Utah	Yes	
Alternate -		Envision Utah	Vacant	
NON-VOTING MEMBERS				
Member -	Tiffany Pocock	UDOT	Yes	
Alternate -	Andrea Olson, Planning Director	UDOT	Yes	

Member -	Nichol Bourdeaux, Chief Planning & Engmt Ofc.	UTA	Yes	
Alternate -	Jaron Robertson, Planning Director	UTA	Yes	
Member -	Bryce Bird, Director	Division of Air Quality	Yes	
Member -	Kelly Lund, Planner, Utah Division	FHWA	No	
Alternate -	Ivan Marrero, Division Administrator	FHWA	No	
Member -	Lorin Palmer, Herriman City Mayor	Utah League of Cities & Towns	Yes	
Member -	Lorene Kamalu, Davis Commission (Vice Chair)	Utah Association of Counties	Yes	
Member -	Jared Gray, Mayor, Eagle Mountain	MAG	No	
Member -	Kristen Cordova	Utah Urban Land Institute	No	
Member -	Mary Catherine Perry	Salt Lake Chamber	No	
Member -	Laura Hanson, State Planning Coordinator	GOPB	Yes	
Member -	Reid Ewing, Professor	University of Utah	Yes	