

TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

August 4, 2015

ATTENDEES: Rebecca Pipkin, Karl Gadd, Scott Henriksen, Paul Goodrich, Polly Millet, Leslie Nelson, Tom Macdonald, Garr Judd, and Chair Griffin Harris. Blake DeVries and John Dorny from Horrocks Engineering

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Mrs. Nelson moved to approve the minutes and Mr. Hendriksen seconded the motion. All members in attendance were in favor.

Transportation Master Plan (TMP):

- **Horrocks Engineers Presentation** – Mr. DeVries and Mr. Dorny reviewed the proposed room layout and presentation materials for the TMP Open House. They anticipate around 50 people to attend the open house. First, they will talk about the purpose and vision of the plan. Mrs. Nelson recommended Horrocks be ready for political concerns that may be addressed during the open house. Mr. DeVries and Mr. Dorny will overview through the MAG (Mountainland Association of Governments) and their long-range plan. MAG adopted a plan for future projects through 2040. Mr. Goodrich and Mr. Dorny reviewed the key (LOS “A-F”) for projected road congestion. “A-C” is the sweet spot for road efficiency. Mrs. Pipkin suggested simplifying the presentation with colors with green, yellow, and red where red is a road that has reached maximum capacity during rush hour. Mr. Dorny will show data on the level of service on each main road in Orem and which ones will be overloaded in the near future. Currently there are 14 trips per household in Orem, which is more than the national average of 10 trips per household. If Orem becomes more urbanized, Mr. Goodrich said that there could be fewer trips per household. The model should be used as a guide. However, people could adapt and change as well. Mr. Dorny will include reports on projections of road service levels up to 2025.
- Horrocks has collected recommendations and comments from citizens to improve traffic flow, bike lanes, bus stops etc.
- Mr. Dorny presented projects for Bicycle and pedestrian services. They talked about intersection improvements. Mr. Harris suggested 800 North as a candidate for improvements. Mr. Dorny talked about traffic circles they recommend Orem building as well. Mr. Goodrich talked about using HAWK signals as well.
- Horrocks showed the commission the MAG presentation for funding; specifically the statewide gas tax that Mr. Goodrich assured is not officially supported by Orem City.
- Mr. Goodrich suggested that the Horrocks send maps to the commission members so that they can look at their ideas in detail.
- Mr. Dorny talked about MAG vision projects like building a bridge across the lake. Mr. Dorny said there isn't funding for it, but it is an option. They have a vision of having a light rail system in Orem as well. Mr. Dorny mentioned Vineyard and competition that Orem may have with accessibility to mass transit.
- Referring to Funding and cost of their projects they plan to show the cost of all the projects and then show the cost per household if Orem were to fund the projects by themselves. To help

subsidize costs they plan to raise gas taxes in January on the gas tax. Mr. Dorny said in January 1st the State Gas Tax will go into effect, the increase would be .5\$ per gallon. Mr. Goodrich reiterated that Orem City needs to come up with a 5 year plan. He suggested the council get the funds and details of the projects they decide to undertake within the next 5 years.

TMP Open House

The next meeting will be replaced by the TMP Open House on Tuesday September 1st in the Council Chambers

Mr. Judd moved that we adjourn, Mr. Gadd seconded, and all were in favor.

Griffin Harris, Chairperson

Approved: _____