

**Utah Department of Transportation
Utah Transportation Commission
Utah County Area Tour
Thursday, October 15, 2015**

The tour departed at 1 p.m. from UDOT's Region Three office. The tour focused on different development issues that influence transportation projects and included stops at Provo Center Street, University Mall, UDOT's Lehi Maintenance station, and Adobe.

At the NuSkin building on Provo Center Street, the group was met by Provo City Mayor John Curtis who discussed the history and vision of Provo City's downtown area. He emphasized the desire to meet transportation needs while still offering a pleasant experience for vehicle, BRT, bike and pedestrian users by providing adequate traffic lanes, bike and BRT facilities, wide sidewalks, restricted turns, landscaping and trees in center medians, and parking.

Orem City Mayor Richard Brunst and Mall Manager Rob Kallas met the group in the parking lot of University Mall, located off of State Street and 1200 South. They discussed the mall's redevelopment project, which will include mixed use residential, retail and office buildings, a community park, a hotel, parking garages, and renovation of the existing mall. Mayor Brunst discussed other redevelopment plans in the city, such as JIVE's new campus at 1600 North and Midtown Village. He noted that Orem will continue to grow, but because the city's 18 square miles is not expanding, the city can only grow up. The city's hope is that these new economic developments will bring in additional revenue. Mayor Brunst expressed concerns about the city's lack of funding needed for roadway maintenance and necessary projects for traffic facilitation, and discussed the reconstruction needs of Center Street, 1600 North, 800 East, University Parkway and State Street. He emphasized that good transportation facilities are needed in order to attract people to work, live and shop in the city.

Next, the group toured the new Lehi Maintenance Station, which was built with funds from a developer who wanted the land that the original station sat on. They discussed the growth and development in the north Utah County area. The group viewed and learned about the station's tow plows, and discussed how the snow plow fleet is maintained and replaced.

The group toured the Adobe building and discussed the growth of the technology sector in Utah County. Jeremy MacDonald, Adobe Site Operations Manager, said that the campus location was chosen because of transportation advantages like the I-15 freeway expansion, and access to FrontRunner and bus terminals.

The tour concluded at 4:15 p.m.

The following were in attendance: Kent Millington, Meghan Holbrook, Wayne Barlow, Dannie McConkie, Naghi Zeenati, Gayle McKeachie, LeAnn Abegglen, Heather Barthold, Carlos Braceras, Shane Marshall, Randy Park, Linda Hull, Cory Pope, Bill Lawrence, Jason Davis, Joe Walker, Teri Newell, Aaron Pinkerton, Craig Hancock, Charlotte Chen, Louise Zeenati, Jamie Evans.



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