

**Utah Department of Transportation
Utah Transportation Commission
STAFF UPDATE MEETING
June 16, 2016**

The Utah Transportation Commission and UDOT staff members met for a Staff Update Meeting on Thursday, June 16 at 3:08 p.m. in the Logan City Hall Conference Room, located at 290 North 100 West in Logan. Those in attendance included:

- Commissioners: Kent Millington, Meghan Holbrook, Wayne Barlow, Dannie McConkie, Naghi Zeenati, Gayle McKeachnie
- UDOT Staff: Carlos Braceras, Shane Marshall, Heather Barthold, Jason Davis, Joe Walker, Kris Peterson, Nathan Lee, Randy Park, Bob Pelly, Robert Miles, W. Scott Jones, Teri Newell
- Others: Adde Marshall, Ivan Marrero, Jamie Evans

WELCOME AND OPEN DISCUSSION

Carlos Braceras shared information about the 9-month legislative audit that was conducted in UDOT offices. He said UDOT should receive a copy of the audit within one to two weeks. He said UDOT received a verbal report; overall, it was not a bad report, but there are opportunities for improvement. Chairman Millington said if any of the Commission members feel there are issues or concerns with how the Commission is operating, it would be appropriate to get the internal UDOT audit team involved.

Carlos thanked Chairman Millington for his presentation representing the Commission at Transportation Interim Committee the previous day, and said the next Interim Committee meeting will involve intent language to allow the Department to conduct financial analysis to look at bonding to accelerate projects.

Robert Miles talked briefly about the warrant analysis process that determines if an intersection meets the standards to have a traffic signal, and the corresponding decisions that need to be made if a signal is appropriate.

SAFETY PRESENTATION

W. Scott Jones gave a demonstration of usRAP, a system that assesses roadway features and the level of risk to the people using that roadway. He reviewed different areas and how roadways are rated. He noted that Sardine Canyon has a 4 out of 5 star rating, because of recent safety improvements, like median barrier installation. usRAP helps analyze what safety effect a certain dollar amount would have on the roadway network. Robert summarized that the Numeric program is about past history, and the usRAP program is a way to look at what can happen in the future; it's predictive. Using both systems together can give Traffic Engineers a better idea of what will be effective. He also said usRAP is ready for the Regions to start using.

Crowd sourcing safety data, and storing all crash data (from UHP, UDOT, etc.) in one location was discussed.

PIONEER CROSSING EMINENT DOMAIN DISCUSSION

Teri Newell reviewed the recent condemnation litigation with Target that left the project \$675 thousand short in budget, requiring the Commission to take action. She also discussed a wetland bank issue in Lindon, which will be going to trial soon, where the property owner suggests UDOT owes \$4 million more. She said no action is being requested from the Commission at this time, but might be requested in the future after the condemnation is finished.

A discussion on settlement scenarios took place.

SR-92 LIGHT RAIL BRIDGE AGREEMENT AMENDMENT

Teri Newell explained a 2010 agreement that UDOT has with UTA to pay for a bridge on SR-92 when UTA brings the Trax line through. An amendment to the agreement will be brought for Commission approval that

UDOT will pay UTA the value of the bridge and UTA will be required to put the money into the Provo Orem Transportation Improvement Project, and then build the grade separated bridge when the time comes. UTA would need to sign the amendment to commit themselves to this agreement.

Teri explained where the \$5 million to cover the cost of the bridge would come from, and discussed a timeline for moving the money. The specifics on how to clearly word the motion were discussed, and Commissioner McConkie said he would excuse himself from voting on the agreement as both a Commissioner and a UTA Board of Trustee member.

The meeting adjourned at 4:27 p.m.

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Commission Assistant