**DIXIE TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**Meeting Minutes**

**December 5, 2018 – 1:00 p.m.**

**Five County Association of Governments**

**1070 West 1600 South**

**St. George, UT**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

* Chuck Gillette, Ivins City, Public Works Director, Chair
* Arthur LeBaron, Hurricane City Engineer
* Cameron Cutler, St George City, Public Works Director
* Monty Thurber, St George City, Engineer Associate/Traffic Coordinator
* Mike Shaw, Washington City, Public Works Director
* Kirk Thornock, UDOT Region Four
* Todd Edwards for Ron Whitehead, Washington County Public Works Director, Vice-Chair
* Wayne Peterson, Leeds Town

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

* Ty Bringhurst, Toquerville City
* Kyle Gubler, LaVerkin City Administrator
* Jay Sandberg, St George City
* Jack Taylor, Santa Clara City Public Works Director

**VISITORS:**

* Eldon Bingham, UDOT Planning
* Bronson Bundy, Washington City
* Aron Baker, Horrocks Engineering
* Rick Snyder, Sunrise Engineering
* Myron Lee, Dixie MPO, Five County AOG
* Di Shanklin, Southern Utah Bicycle Alliance
* Craig Shanklin, Southern Utah Bicycle Alliance
* Susan Crook, Conserve Southwest Utah
* Kayde Roberts, UDOT
* Taylor Ricks, PEC
* Christopher Chesnut, UDOT
* Andrew Jensen, St George Citizen
* Bob Lamoreaux, Stanley Consultants
* Chris Hall, UDOT

Mr. Chuck Gillette, Chair, called the meeting to order and welcomed those in attendance. A sign-up sheet was circulated through the group and attendees were asked to introduce themselves.

**1. ADMINISTRATIVE:**

**Minutes from October 3, 2018 Meeting:** Mr. Chuck Gillette, Chair, noted that a quorum was not present to conduct business at the beginning of the meeting, however a full quorum was present by 1:15 p.m.

1. **ARTHUR LEBARON MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES AS PRESENTED, CAMERON CUTLER SECONDED THE MOTION AND VOTING WAS UNANIMOUS IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION.**

**2. TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP):**

A map (and a visual presentation) detailing the 3 projects was distributed to those in attendance and progress was discussed.

1. **TIP Funding Status**

No real changes – still looking at a 2023 available balance of $2.1 million in federal funding. It was noted that the projects we are looking at today are applying for that money.

1. **TIP Concept Reports**
2. 1450 South Extension to Crosby Way – estimated cost reported at 23 million and, although it is still just on the radar, it will be put on the Concept report for funding. At present time, St. George City is looking at the Master Transportation plan updates and researching traffic volumes which could possibly increase the estimated cost. It was noted that environmental study could begin within 5 years as well as purchasing Rights of Way.
3. 1450 S (SG) to 3650 S (Wash) Realignment – estimated cost $4.3 million. This project is also on the COG Priority Project List.
4. 3650 South Extension – is in the COG Priority Project List with an estimated cost of $4.5 million.
5. **Review of MPO Project Selection Rating and Ranking Process**

Mr. Lee will be sending (3) separate links to individually rate each project discussed – he also discussed the process to follow to Rate the projects. Mr. Lee will also be sending a PDF of the Concept Reports.

**3. LONG RANGE PLANNING:**

1. **2019 – 2050 Long Range Plan financial assumptions**

Mr. Lee presented a “revenues assumptions spreadsheet” for review and discussion. Mr. Lee indicated that this spreadsheet is tied into the Dixie Project List and will be sent to the Members (in one file) by the end of this week.

1. **2019 – 2050 Long Range Plan Projects Lists**

Mr. Lee discussed the Dixie Project List. In the near future, a representative from Horrocks Engineering and the MPO will be coming around to each of the cities and UDOT to make sure that the projects on the list are in the right phase and in the right amount.

**4. LOCAL PROJECT STATUS UPDATES:**

**A. Hurricane** – Just finishing up the 300 North project.

**B. Ivins** – Working on gap fill projects, approx. 200,000 on projects.

**C. LaVerkin** – no report

**D. Leeds** – Mayor Wayne Peterson reported that Leeds is completing the retention wall as part of the curb and gutter project.

**E. St. George** – Signal projects are ready to bid this week (approximately 4). The City has started purchasing properties on the 2450 South extension for the roadways in the Washington Fields area for the High Schools. Plans are almost ready to advertise for construction. Have combined Commerce Drive with Corey Ridge Drive and will do some matching moneys with the Developers.

**F. Santa Clara** – no report

**G. Toquerville** – no report

**H. Washington City** – In design on one more project on Merrill Road which should be closing by the end of the month. They are working on the design for the Washington Parkway project. Are still going through the environmental on Exit 11 – environmental document is going to UDOT in February and will hopefully have that document published in June.

**I. Washington County** – The annual priority list to be on their Agenda for January. A couple of changes to the by-law (procedures) will discuss at next month’s meeting. The one pressing (procedural) issue is (one) attorney’s opinion that the COG can’t own property. If this is determined to be the case, it would require the City and COG to be joint owners. We will be looking into this issue as to whether the State will allow COG to own property or not.

**J. UDOT** – Bluff Street, SR 9, and I-15 passing lanes project by Leeds are finishing up. The I-15 underpass project is heading for advertising next week and then out for bid. The exit 16 project opens for bid tomorrow. Southern Parkway is still on schedule with an anticipation of a Spring advertisement, SR 228 will be advertised in the next month for next summer’s work (rehab on the road). Finally, the SR 9 environmental document – a consultant has been chosen and will be begin soon. Kayde Roberts (UDOT) was asked to give a report on the Transit Project. Mr. Roberts indicated that AECOM has been hired to help UDOT work through the process. The deliverable for them is to put an RFP and solicit public or private (or both) entities to provide that service. AECOM is working with the community stakeholders to come up with critical criteria (spelled out by the Transportation Commission) that will be part of the RFP. The expectation is that the RFP will be out by May – when a determination will be made whether it will be public/private or a combination of both.

**5. UPCOMING MEETINGS/DEADLINES**

**A.** DTEC on December 19th, 2018

**B.** DTAC on January 2, 2019. Mr. Lee reported that the Rating and Ranking scores will be due the Monday before the January 2nd meeting (December 31, 2018).

**6. ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION TO ADJOURN BY MIKE SHAW.**

The meeting adjourned at 2:00 p.m.