

DRAFT MINUTES

DIXIE TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Meeting Minutes

June 5, 2019 – 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
- Todd Edwards for Ron Whitehead, Washington County Public Works Director, VICE-CHAIR
- Arthur LeBaron, Hurricane City Engineer
- Mike Shaw, Washington City, Public Works Director
- Wayne Peterson, Leeds Town
- Kirk Thornock, UDOT Region Four
- Jack Taylor, Santa Clara City Public Works Director
- Lance Gubler, for Ty Bringhurst, Toquerville City

MEMBERS ABSENT:

- Kyle Gubler, LaVerkin City Administrator
- Monty Thurber, St George City, Engineer Associate/Traffic Coordinator
- Jay Sandberg, St George City
- Cameron Cutler, St George City, Public Works Director

VISITORS:

- Bronson Bundy, Washington City
- Myron Lee, Dixie MPO
- Brady Shakespear, Jones & DeMille Engineering
- Brett Jenson, Lochner
- Taylor Ricks, Mainline Engineering
- Darrin LeFevre, Hurricane City
- Tyler Turner, Civil Science
- Rick Snyder, Sunrise Engineering
- Aron Baker, Horrocks
- Curt Hutchings

Chairman Chuck Gillette called the meeting to order at 1:00 P.M.

1. ADMINISTRATIVE:

- A. Consider Minutes from May 1, 2019:** Chairman Gillette asked for comments or corrections on the minutes from the May 1, 2019 DTAC meeting.

Arthur LeBaron moved to approve the May 1, 2019 DTAC Minutes as presented. Seconded by Todd Edwards. The motion carried.

2. LONG RANGE PLANNING

- A. Review proposed Long-Range Plan**

Myron Lee, MPO Director presented the 2019-2050 Regional Transportation Plan. The only substantial change from the 2015 RTP is the list of projects and the maps. MPO staff have worked with the MPO modeling consultant, Horrocks Engineers, to recommend a project list for Phases One, Two, and Three. These lists are based on fiscal constraints agreed upon by the Unified Planning Group. A final review of the project list and plan was requested by everyone present. A 30-day public comment period needs to be set for the month of July.

Various changes were discussed and agreed upon and are to be made before the document is published for public comment.

Chairman Gillette called for a motion.

Kirk Thornock moved to send the list on to the DTECT for approval and to set a public comment period starting July 1, with all of the adjustments discussed. The motion was seconded by Mike Shaw. The motion passed unanimously.

3 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

A. Review of Proposed TIP:

Mr. Lee explained that the Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP) also needs to go out for public comment period in July in coordination with the state STIP comment period. This TIP has been amended with additions highlighted in yellow noted in a handout. Committee members discussed the inclusion of city projects on this list at a previous meeting. Those projects are now listed as highlighted. Additional projects from Hurricane also need to be added to the current list. Arthur LeBaron addressed the Hurricane projects. He specifically noted the Cottonwood Wash Crossing on Old Highway 91; 2800 West from 100 North to 600 North; 700 West from 100 North to 400 North; and 100 North from 200 West to SR9.

Chairman Gillette called for a motion.

Arthur LeBaron moved to present the draft Transportation Improvement Plan to DTEC for public comment with the addition of the Hurricane projects. The motion was seconded by Mike Shaw. Motion passed.

Mr. Lee noted that the Transit TIP also needs to go forward to public comment along with the Road TIP. A single 8½" x 11" sheet handout was distributed showing the transit funding available from 2020-2024. This list of potential transit funding includes amounts available to SunTran if a quarter percent sales tax (currently under consideration by the Washington County Commission) were to pass. It also considers the possibility of a transit line from St. George to Springdale.

A motion was called for to also send this forward to the DTEC to set up a public comment period in July.

Chairman Gillette asked if Mr. LeBaron would be willing to amend his previous motion?

Arthur LeBaron so moved with the amended previous motion and Mike Shaw again seconded the amended motion. The amended motion passed.

B. Safe Routes to Schools Grants

Mr. Lee referred to a handout indicating the availability of “Safe Route to School” grants and noting the criteria for fiscal year 2020 grants. Applications are due by July 19th for any project that would fit those criteria. Kirk Thornock noted that SRTS funds are pass-through funds and no longer require matching funds.

4 PLANNING SERVICES

A. Consider Planning Project proposals FY 2020

A call for planning projects was issued in May. One request was received from Ivins City for \$60,000 to help update their Master Transportation Plan. They are requesting the full amount for the update and propose that the MPO administer the contract. Washington City also expressed interest in receiving planning funds and will present that request at a future meeting.

Arthur LeBaron moved to recommend the Ivins project be funded. Seconded by Kirk Thornock. The motion passed.

5 LOCAL PROJECT STATUS UPDATES

Ivins City reported that a chip seal project on 600 West is in process and due to finish in another month to six weeks.

Mike Shaw of Washington City reported that bids on Romero Road project would be opened tomorrow. The City is also in the design phase of a reconstruct/widening of Main Street from Telegraph to I-15 to remedy some of the flooding issues they have had in the past. The project is expected to go out for bid in January with completion prior to the monsoon season next year. He said they completed two nice detention basins that are north of I-15 that will really help with flooding issues.

Washington County reported that a proposed special assessment area in New Harmony failed by one vote. That area will not be formed to address road issues in New Harmony. The County will bid out a new bridge in the Pinto area tomorrow.

UDOT Reported on the status of an I-15 project to create Northbound climbing Lanes and a flattening of the s-curve at the top of the Black Ridge.

6 UPCOMING MEETINGS:

The July 3rd DTAC meeting is canceled. The next DTAC meeting will be August 7th.

Mike Shaw moved to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 2:00 p.m.