

DIXIE TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Meeting Minutes

August 3, 2022 – 1:00 p.m.

Five County Association of Governments

1070 West 1600 South

St. George, UT

Conducting: Kyle Gubler, Vice Chairman – Mr. Kyle Gubler called the DTAC meeting to order from an anchor location with an electronic meeting option over a GoToMeeting connection.

Mr. Gubler noted that each Committee member attending electronically will be asked if they are present and if they can hear clearly.

In addition, Mr. Gubler noted that he will take roll again at the end of the meeting wherein the Committee members attending electronically must declare for the record that they participated in the meeting from beginning to end and that they were able to hear and comprehend everything that occurred during the meeting.

Mr. Gubler conducted the roll call:

MEMBERS PRESENT AT THE ANCHOR LOCATION:

- Jay Sandberg, CHAIR, St George City
- Arthur LeBaron, Hurricane City
- Cameron Cutler, St. George City Public Works Director
- Casey Stratton representing Santa Clara City
- Mike Shaw, Washington City Public Works Director
- Monty Thurber, St. George City, Engineer Associate/Traffic Coordinator
- Kayde Roberts, UDOT Region Four
- Kyle Gubler, LaVerkin City
- Chuck Gillette, Ivins City

MEMBERS PRESENT ELECTRONICALLY:

- None

MEMBERS ABSENT:

- Todd Edwards, Washington County Engineer
- Representative from Leeds
- Representative from Toquerville

OTHER ATTENDEES:

- Myron Lee, Dixie MPO
- Nicholas Gayer, Dixie MPO
- Nate Wiberg, FCAOG
- Susan Crook, Conserve SWU
- Aron Baker, Horrocks Engineers

- Micah Dickman, SDK
- Isabel Adler, Conserve SWU
- Barbara Bruno, Mayor of Springdale
- Lloyd Sutton, St. George City
- Other attendees were present but did not introduce themselves.

Vice Chairman Gubler noted that a quorum was present and called for the meeting to continue.

Vice Chairman Gubler also welcomed visitors who were in attendance.

1. ADMINISTRATIVE:

- A. Consider Minutes from June 1, 2022. Vice Chairman Gubler noted that no additions or corrections were mentioned and called for a motion to approve the minutes.

Arthur LeBaron made a motion to approve the minutes. Monty Thurber seconded the motion.

The minutes were approved with all Committee members verbally voting in favor of the motion.

Vice Chairman Gubler noted that there were no voting members attending the meeting electronically, so the rules governing members attending the meeting electronically from an anchor location, were not reviewed.

2. Long-Range Planning:

Chairman Jay Sandberg joined the meeting and conducted the balance of the meeting.

- A. Presentation of updated Regional Active Transportation Plan (ATP) – Nate Wiberg led a discussion on the updated Regional Active Transportation Plan. Mr. Wiberg noted that the MPO has not had a prioritized Active Transportation Plan with phased projects, but that it is important that these projects now get phased and maybe even prioritized, and ultimately adopted by the DTEC. The following items were discussed:

Why this is important:

- It allows the municipalities in the MPO to access ATP funding through UDOT and possibly other sources.
- UDOT has \$40M for regionally important active transportation projects.
- The MPO currently does not receive a set-aside amount from this pot of funding.
- Entities must apply for the funding.

Which projects are available for funding?

- Must be on a plan.

- Must be an asphalt project.

Mr. Wiberg noted that each city in the area brought a different perspective to the active transportation planning process. He was able to reach out to the cities for their GIS data and met with them to discuss what he was trying to accomplish. They were able to make some edits and changes to the database and in the end produced a pretty comprehensive regional list.

Nate asked the Committee members to review the plan and asked that any edits be submitted to him before the 12th of August so he can work on them prior to a presentation to the DTEC.

- B. Consider Amendment #3 to the 2019-2050 Regional Transportation Plan to include the updated ATP and set a public comment period of August 17, 2022, through September 15, 2022 – Myron Lee discussed a few more items on the updated Regional Active Transportation Plan and the need to consider Amendment #3 to the 2019-2050 Regional Transportation Plan which will include the updated ATP. This action will then require that we set a 30-day public comment period.

Kyle Gubler Made a motion to consider Amendment #3 to the 2019-2050 Regional Transportation Plan which will include the updated ATP (pending any changes which must be turned in by August 12, 2022) and recommend this action to the DTEC for their approval. The motion was seconded by Cameron Cutler and the motion passed with all Committee members voting in favor of the motion.

3. Short-Range Planning:

- A. Presentation by UrbanSDK on Data Driven Optimization tools – Micah Dickman from SDK made a presentation on a data visualization tool. Mr. Dickman described the various tools through a power point presentation. Mr. Dickman then opened the presentation for questions. One question was how his product compared with the Streetlight data platform that the MPO is currently using. The various pros and cons of the (2) platforms were discussed as well as the price.

Mr. Dickman will send out a number of links to Myron that can be distributed to the Committee members on sample data reports and case studies.

The Committee would like additional time to review the sample data reports and case studies before making a decision.

- B. Continue discussion on programming Carbon Reduction Program funds – Myron Lee continued the discussion from the previous meeting. This discussion will continue next month.
- C. Update on SS4A grant application – Nicholas Gayer gave an update on the progress of the SS4A grant application. He requested that anyone (cities) who is

interested in filing as a joint applicant, to submit letters of support. The application deadline is September 15, 2022.

4. TIP:

- A. Review public comments and consider 2023-2027 Dixie Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP) for recommendation to DTEC – Myron Lee reported that we did not receive any comments during the public comment period. He asked the Committee to make a motion to recommend the TIP to DTEC for their approval.

Mike Shaw made a motion to recommend the TIP to the DTEC for their approval of the TIP and to ratify the public comment period. Cameron Cutler seconded the motion and the motion passed with all Committee members voting in favor of the motion.

4. LOCAL PROJECT STATUS UPDATES:

- A. Hurricane – Are working on the SR7 extension from 600 North. Will be doing some chip sealing later this month.
- B. Ivins – Still working on Highway 91.
- C. LaVerkin – No change.
- D. Leeds – No report.
- E. St. George City – finishing 3000 E. The next section on 3000 E should start in September. Finished up the 2000 Snow Canyon Parkway signal and will be doing some chip sealing later this month.
- F. Santa Clara – No report.
- G. Toquerville – No report.
- H. Washington City – Finished Washington Dam Road. Finished up Buena Vista/Green Springs project. Finishing the signals on 3090 S and 3650 S. The interchange for George Washington and the Southern Parkway is in design.
- I. Washington County – No report.
- J. UDOT – 10 to 13 is under design. Exit 6 – 8 widening is not under design yet because it is in environmental because they are looking at the possibility of a 700 S interchange. They have put together a number of alternatives and will be going to the community (and the city) to present those alternatives. They will then make a recommendation based off the data they receive. They hope to have a decision by the end of the year, then by Spring, will start design for the widening of 700 S (already approved) and hopefully the interchange. Bluff street tunnel is nearing completion.

5. Upcoming Meetings / Deadlines:

- A. August 16 – DTEC Meeting
- B. September 7, 2022 – DTAC Meeting

ALL BUSINESS HAVING BEEN CONDUCTED; THE MEETING ADJOURNED.