



IRON COUNTY RURAL PLANNING ORGANIZATION

ICRTEC CHAIR—MAYOR Geoffrey Chesnut • ICRTAC CHAIR—Rob Dotson • TRANS. PLANNING DIRECTOR—Myron Lee

MINUTES

Rural Transportation Executive Council (RTEC)

Nov. 2, 2022, 2:00 p.m.

(Begins after the ICCC Meeting)

Southwest Tech

757 W 800 S

Cedar City, Utah

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Commissioner Marilyn Wood
Mayor Mollie Halterman
Mayor Garth O. Green
Commissioner Paul Cozzens
Mayor Geoffrey Chesnut
Mayor Clayton Calloway

MEMBERS EXCUSED:

Mayor Todd Robinson
Mayor Betty Gould

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:

DAVE DEMAS
Nate Wiberg
Rob Dotson
Reed Erickson
Chris Hall
Richard Wilson
Paul Bittmenn
Dan Jessen
Bret Houser
Rex Shipp
Cindy Bulloch

REPRESENTING:

Iron County
Parowan
Cedar City
Iron County
Enoch City
Brian Head Town

REPRESENTING:

Paragonah Town
Kanarraville Town

REPRESENTING:

FCAOG
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Enoch City
Iron County
UDOT
Iron County
Cedar City
Parowan
Brian Head
State Representative
Congressman Chris Stewart's office

I. Quorum Declaration

Mayor Geoffrey Chesnut welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order and declared that a quorum was present to conduct business.

II. Approve Minutes for a Sept 7, 2022

Mayor Chesnut presented minutes for the Sept. 7, 2022, meeting for discussion and consideration of adoption.



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A motion made by Mayor Clayton Calloway to approve the Sept. 7, 2022, minutes, with the change as noted, seconded by Commissioner Marilyn Wood to approve the minutes of the Sept. 7, 2022, meeting as presented. Motion carried by unanimous vote. It was noted that Heidi Loveland, Town Clerk, and not Mayor Gould, was present at the meeting.

III. Transportation Priority List

A. TPL Discussion

Dave introduced the Transportation Priority List (TPL) and passed out a copy to all present. Noting that the group has seen this document several times during its preparation. Dave noted the two projects that Cedar added to the list: namely the Extension of 800 West to Coal Creek Rd. and the Eagle Ridge Bypass Road. Paul Bittemenn explained the projects and why they were added to the list. He explained that they may request some Corridor Preservation Funding for some of the right-of-way. Dave noted a few other minor changes to the list as well as noting that project S14 was moved to the funded list as Parowan has obtained funding for the project through the Joint Highway Committee. He also noted that project C35, South Cedar Interchange Upgrade now shows as the long-term improvements only. The short-term improvements have been removed from the list for now. UDOT is looking for funds for the entire project. Chris Hall explained that UDOT has applied for two different funding sources and is hopeful that some funding will be obtained. Dave noted that the Advisory Committee has approved the TPL and forwarded it to the RTEC for approval. There was a brief discussion on the funding numbers on the Parowan Bridge. Dave also noted that the cost-estimates, as they are developed, will be added to the list, and will not come back to the RTEC for that action.

B. TPL Approval.

A motion was made by Mayor Clayton Calloway to approve the Transportation Priority List as presented. The motion was seconded by Mayor Mollie Halterman. All voted in favor of the motion.

IV. Project and Study Updates

Dave noted that he wanted to talk about the Solutions Development Study but since Chris Hall was present, he asked Chris to discuss it. Chris explained that the study is looking at the high-volume state routes in Cedar namely SR-56 and SR-130.



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The study is to look at what can be done to improve transportation on these corridors. The study wants to look at access, safety, risk management, wildlife, etc. They want to look at the problems and what can fix them in the future. He touched on the importance of access management. He explained that there is a small steering group that meets regularly. Chris also noted that there will be a large group of community members that will come together to provide input into the study.

Mayor Green discussed a concern regarding the large trucks coming down SR 14, turning right on Main Street and then making a left on to SR-56. Citizens are experiencing a considerable amount of delay in making the left turns as a result of the trucks. He was wanting UDOT to take a look at this as part of the study and see if a solution can be found. Mayor Green was suggesting maybe using 200 E. to 200 N., somehow to give the trucks a “straight-on shot” when approaching Main Street. Noting that 200 E was never constructed to handle that type of traffic. Chris thanked the mayor for bringing the issue up and he will bring it to the visioning group as they move into the study.

Reed also provided appreciation to UDOT for providing this proactive planning in looking at these issues in Cedar. Noting this will be a great help for the future.

Another location of concern was brought forward and that is the corner of Center Street and 1100 West, by the football field. Chris responded letting the group know that UDOT has already studied the intersection. The result of the study shows that a future roundabout will be the best solution. Although not final yet as there are other considerations to look at. They will, most likely, provide 4-way stops in the interim.

V. UDOT Update

Chris noted that he has been working on getting funding for a Transit Optimization Study for CATS. He is looking for FTA funding and they will match it with the State’s Emerging Area Funds.

He wants the study to look at transit on a countywide basis and see what can be done, what are the options, what are the costs and what could be expanded to neighboring communities. Cedar will provide a letter to FTA to request funds. Chris will make sure to pull in the University into the discussions.

VI. Other Discussion Items

None

VII. Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for Jan. 4, 2023. Location: Kanarraville



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VIII. Adjourn

A motion was made by Mayor Clayton Calloway, seconded by Mayor Garth Green, to adjourn. Motion carried by unanimous vote.