

**DIXIE MPO TRANSPORTATION EXECUTIVE COUNCIL (DTEC)
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
January 17, 2023**

VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT

Chris Hart, Ivins Mayor – Chair
Naghi Zeenati, UDOT Commissioner
Kress Staheli, Washington City Mayor
Adam Snow, Commissioner – Washington County
Gil Almquist, Commissioner – Washington County
Bill Hoster, Leeds Mayor
Justin Sip, Toquerville City Mayor
Nanette Billings, Hurricane City Mayor
Jimmie Hughes, St. George City – Vice Chair
Dannielle Larkin, St. George City (via Zoom)
Rick Rosenberg, Santa Clara Mayor (via Zoom)

VOTING MEMBERS ABSENT / EXCUSED

Michelle Randall, St. George City Mayor
Patty Wise, La Verkin City Council

CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS

Chairman Chris Hart determined there was a quorum and called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

BUSINESS

- a. **Consider Minutes of November 15, 2022 DTEC Minutes**
- b. **Consider Minutes of December 13, 2022 DTEC Minutes**

MOTION: Motion by Mayor Billings to Approve Minutes of November 15, 2022 and December 13, 2022 Minutes. Motion Seconded by Naghi Zeenati and Carried by a Unanimous Vote.

MOTION: Motion by Naghi Zeenati to Allow Presentation from Cache County Transit District to move to Item C. Motion Seconded by Mayor Hoster and Carried by a Unanimous Vote.

- c. **Presentation – Cache County Transit District**

Todd Beutler with Cache Valley Transit District presented the history and milestones of the transit district. (See attached presentation.)

MOTION: Motion by Naghi Zeenati to Allow Transit Discussion with St. George City to move to Item D. Motion Seconded by Mayor Hoster and Carried by a Unanimous Vote.

d. Transit Discussion – St. George City

Cameron Cutler with St. George City updated the committee regarding a recent meeting with the County Commissioners and Administrator regarding different bus types. From this discussion, it was determined that electric buses will not work for what is required. The conversation returned to using diesel busses for the Zion route with St. George City possibly using hydrogen busses for city routes.

e. Consider TIP Amendment #4

- Programming FY 2022/FY 2023 CRP funds as follows:
 - \$40,000 to the MPO Regional Trail Standards project (to be obligated by August 2023) (local match by St. George City)
 - \$80,000 to the Trail Counters Project (to be obligated by August 2023) (local match by St. George City)
 - \$400,000 to the Ivins Trail Network Gap Fill project (\$140,000 of which to be obligated by August 2023) (local match by Ivins City)
- Re-program \$2.1 million of TIP Year 2023 federal funds from the 1450 S. (SG) to 3650 S. (W) Realignment project to the George Washington Boulevard (west) project (local match St. George City)
- Programming \$225,000 of FY 2023 Transportation Alternative Program (TAP) funds to the Ivins Trail Network Gap Fill project.
- Call for public comments on TIP Amendment #4 by January 20, 2023.

MOTION: Motion by Commissioner Gil Almquist to Adopt TIP Amendment #4 as Outlined Pending Public Comments through January 20, 2023. Motion Seconded by Naghi Zeenati and Carried by a Unanimous Vote.

f. Consider adding the following projects to the 2024-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) through a public comment period consistent with the State Transportation Improvement Program:

- a. Program \$235,000 (STIP Year 2027) to the Purgatory to Pecan Valley Connector NEPA Study (local match by Hurricane City.)
- b. Program \$1 million (STIP Year 2027) to the Western Corridor (Old Highway 91 to Snow Canyon Parkway) project (local match by Ivins and Santa Clara.)
- c. Program \$861,000 (STIP Year 2027) to the 3650 South (Camino Real to SR-7 with Interchange) project (local match by Washington City.)

MOTION: Motion by Naghi Zeenati to Approve Adding Projects to the 2024-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). Motion Seconded by Mayor Billings and Carried by a Unanimous Vote.

REGIONAL UPDATES

g. Local Government Updates

None presented.

h. UDOT Updates

Kirk Thornock with UDOT introduced himself. He updated the group on the SR-7 project from Bluff Street to Dixie Drive that will begin in February. The bid opening for I-15 mile marker 7 will happen next week with construction lasting through December 2024. Phase one of the Toquerville bypass construction will be starting in June 2023.

i. Federal Updates

LaRene Cox updated on Congressman Stewart's plans for the legislative session.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

DTAC – February 1, 2023

Transportation Expo – February 7, 2023

DTEC – February 21, 2023

ADJOURN

MOTION: Motion by Commissioner Adam Snow to Adjourn. Motion Seconded by Mayor Hoster and Carried by a Unanimous Vote.

Having no other business, Chairman Hart adjourned the meeting at 1:28 p.m.

Minutes prepared by Sarah Lloyd