



TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMISSION
March 7, 2023

Place: City Council Conference Room

At 5:30 p.m.: Sam Kelly called the meeting to order.

Attendees: Becky Buxton, Marlan Coe, CJ Mecham, Kathy Turner and Russ VerHoef, Transportation Advisory Commission members; Sam Kelly, City Engineer; Cheryl Vargas, Minutes Secretary; Jeffrey Lambson, City Council Member

Those excused: Jay Przybyla and Laura Redford, Transportation Advisory Commission members

Approval of Minutes: Ms. Buxton moved to approve the December 6, 2022 minutes. Mr. Coe seconded the motion. Those voting aye Becky Buxton, Marlan Coe, CJ Mecham, Kathy Turner and Russ VerHoef. The motion passed unanimously.

UTA Presentation (Mary De La Mare-Schaefer, Regional General Manager; Matt Gray and Clint Campbell, Strategic Planners) ([click here for recording](#))

- Fall was first time buses returned to full schedule since Covid
- UVX sustains itself year round
- Target markets – people just out of school, got first job but do not have a car
- UVX is the unicorn of bus systems – two universities, two down-towns and two front runner stations (Orem is #4 in system)
- Successful because of frequency. In the peak hours of morning and afternoon, the bus comes every 6 minutes.
- Central Corridor Transit Study
 - Fewer stations
 - Collect fees on platform not bus
 - Traffic signals set to get through intersections
 - Exclusive bus lanes
 - Pedestrian amenities – safety oriented
- Most people who ride transit do not have a lot of options. UTA works hard on reliability - within a 5 min. window.
- Leaving a stop early is worse than being late.

Project Updates ([click here for recording](#))

- **1200 W 400 South roundabout.** The Church has agreed to the round-about project. Horrocks Engineering is creating the right of way documents. Once those documents are signed this project will move forward. It may not start until 2024.
- **1200 South rebuild.** This summer 1200 South will be rebuilt from the UVX station to the roundabout project.
- **1150 South State Street signal.** Funding is in place to move the signal to 1150 South from 1200 South. University Place needs to prepare the right of way.
- **400 E 1600 North study.** There is a signed agreement for the 400 E 1600 North study to begin. There will be kick-off meetings within the next couple of weeks. Study and look at compliance. Funding is there for a roundabout but staff does not think that is the right solution.
- **Transportation Master Plan (TMP).** The TMP will be brought to the Planning Commission soon.

- **800 S Orem Boulevard.** Engaged some discussions with property owners about the intersection.
- **Ace hardware near 1600 North.** Ace Hardware has an access to 1600 North that the City wants to close to force traffic to the signal at 1600 North.
- **Lakeview Parkway.** Staff will forward a resolution to City Council to move forward \$4 million and then \$10 million plus next year to build in 2024. Need to select a consultant, start environmental study and purchase right of way.
- **Temple open house.** This will happen this year, but do not know when. Contractor will turn project over to Church and then they will schedule the open house.
- **1600 North widening.** Do not have a start date on the widening of 1600 North. May be 2030 unless UDOT can get additional funding.
- **Center Street widening from I-15 to Geneva Road.** The railroad spur will be abandoned in 2026. Once that happens the City can start the project to widen the road.
- **1200 W Center.** Looking to widen 1200 West to create a dual left turn onto Center Street and then right turn northbound on I-15.
- **800 S 800 West detour.** With the tank project on 400 S 400 West and 400 South closed eastbound, there is a detour to 800 South. 400 South will be closed to westbound traffic in May.
- **Update signals citywide.** Looking to delay yellow flashing left turn signals if there is a pedestrian for 20 seconds to give the pedestrian time to clear the intersection.

Future Items ([click here for recording](#))

- Mr. Kelly will Invite UDOT and MAG (Mountainland Association of Governments) to come to give a presentation at the Transportation Advisory Commission in the future.

Other Items ([click here for recording](#))

- **1550 E 800 North.** MAG looks at federal transportation projects. UOT has hired a consultant to come up with a solution for that intersection.
- **Center Street.** There will be a Traffic Impact Study (TIS) for the east exit/entrance of City Center onto Center Street, across from Smith's, to see if that area needs a signal.
- **800 North 600 west sidewalk.** The hospital is looking to develop and expand and put two buildings there. There will be a signal there.
- **New City Center Building.** City crews just started on relocating water, sewer and fiber this week. Once the new building is complete, this old building will come down.
- **Hillcrest Park.** This project is going as well.

Motion to Adjourn: Mr. VerHoef moved to adjourn and Ms. Turner seconded the motion. Those voting aye: Becky Buxton, Marlan Coe, Kathy Turner and Russ VerHoef. The motion passed unanimously.

Adjourned: 7:26 p.m.

Jay Przybyla, Chair

Approved: May 3, 2023