

SALT LAKE COUNTY Council of Governments (COG)

Thursday, 21 May 2021, Noon

Hybrid In-Person & WebEx – Electronic Meeting

NOTES

12:00 Public Meeting Begins

1. **Welcome – Mayor Dirk Burton**
2. **Previous Minutes Approval – Mayor Dirk Burton**
3. **Seven Greenways Visioning Plan project update – Anna Lybourn, Design Workshop; Brian Tonetti, Seven Canyons Trust; Jake Young, Salt Lake County Regional Transportation & Planning; Megan Townsend, Wasatch Front Regional Council**
4. **Homeless Shelters and Resources – Dan Dugan, Salt Lake City Council**
5. **Amending the 2019 – 2050 Regional Transportation Plan, Julie Bjornstad and Nikki Navio, Wasatch Front Regional Council**
6. **Close Meeting – Mayor Dirk Burton**

In Attendance: Dan Peay, Tim Tingey, Jeff Silvestrini, Robert Hale, Dan Dugan, Kyler Brower, Michelle Larsen, Shule bishop, Jory Johner, Laurie Stringham, Jake Young, Rob Wesemann, Ron Bigelow, Jennifer Dailey-Provost, Ann Granato, Katherine Fife, Julie Bjornstad, Kara John, Nikki Navio, Kris Nicholl, Richard Snelgrove, Andrew Gruber, Harris Sondak, Dawn Ramsey, Keith Zuspan, Mike Gallegos, Jean Hill, Jenny Wilson, Helen Peters, Cherrie Wood, Drew Quinn, Andrew Johnson

1. **Approval of January Minutes:** Mayor Silvestrini made a motion to approve the January Minutes. Ann Granato seconded the motion. There were none opposed. Motion to approve minutes passed by unanimous vote.
2. **Seven Greenways Visioning Plan project update:** Mayor Burton introduced the presenters for this update. Jake Young gave a brief history of this plan. Megan Townsend gave a brief overview of the grant fund through Wasatch Front Regional Council (WFRC) used for this project. Brian Tonetti gave the presentation of what this plan is and what the benefits of the plan will be. Anna Lybourn gave an overview of the work they have done on the plan thus far. She also gave a preview of the next steps for the plan. Jake Young explained what the final document for

the plan will contain. Ann Laybourn advised the committee on where they can locate the information related to the plan.

- a. **Q & A:** There were no questions or comments. A copy of the presentation will be sent out to the council.

3. **Homeless Shelters and Resources:** Mayor Burton introduced Dan Dugan with the Salt Lake City Council. Dan Dugan told a story of an individual's struggle with nearly becoming homeless to highlight that homelessness is not a group of people, but it's individuals. Dan asked Mayor Silvestrini to talk about the efforts they are making in Millcreek. Mayor Silvestrini also told a story about his interactions with homeless individuals. He also explained what his city is doing to address homelessness. Dan Dugan gave an update of the work that has been done regionally to address homelessness.

- a. **Q & A:** Ann Granato expressed her pride to be a resident of Millcreek and to see the work that Mayor Silvestrini has done. She also commended the shelters for the progress they've made in client management.

Mayor Wilson commented that she's learned a lot as Mayor of Salt Lake County. She believes we should take pride in the steps we've made however winter shelter continues to be a struggle. She also expressed her thanks to the cities who have homeless resource centers and shelters in their communities. Mayor Wilson encourages the council to continue to be engaged in addressing homelessness, figuring out a myriad of ways to help individuals experiencing homelessness in all communities.

Dan would like to put together a sub-committee of COG members to work with the various agencies to drive plans forward. If anyone is interested, he can put that together. Mayor Burton asked Dan to put together a plan for that sub-committee and bring it back to the council to address and vote on. Dan provided his email address to council members who would like to contact him.

Jennifer Provost advised the council that they had their Special Session yesterday in which they set aside a large sum of money which they will be using to raise the priority of addressing homelessness.

Jean Hill let Mr. Dugan know that The Coalition is interested in being part of that sub-committee.

4. **Amending 2019 – 2050 Regional Transportation Plan:** Mayor Silvestrini spoke about what Wasatch Front Regional Council is and what they do. He turned the time over to Mayor Ramsey who informed the council that there was a large amendment Transportation Plan which was recently approved. WFRC is looking for the input from this council on the amendment.

Julie gave a review of the plan and the amendments.

Nikki Navio went into more detail on the projects and proposed amendments.

Julie discussed the technical considerations & schedule. She further explained the purpose of addressing the Council is to keep them informed of progress, to make them aware of the proposed amendments and to advise them that the public comment period for these proposed amendments is opening.

Andrew Gruber commented that there has been so much collaboration with cities, Salt Lake County, UDOT, UTA. He indicated that this level of collaboration isn't happening anywhere else

in the country. He also noted that this is the largest amendment that they've ever done at one time to the plan. It's noteworthy that road projects, transit, active transportation, land use holistically considered together. This is necessary due to the growth in this state. Andrew explained that after the public comment period, they will bring this back to the Council in August.

a. **Q&A:** There were no questions or comments. Mayor Burton thanked WFRC for this presentation.

5. **Close Meeting:** Mayor Burton asked if there were any additional questions or comments. Emily will send the link for the meeting recording, which contained the presentations in their entirety despite technical difficulties, for anyone who missed the presentations. There was a motion to adjourn. Motion passed.