

SALT LAKE COUNTY
Council of Governments (COG)

Thursday, August 22, 2019, 11:30 am

Salt Lake County Columbus Center – 2531 South 400 East, Salt Lake City, Utah

MINUTES (unapproved)

Mayor Overson called the meeting to order and welcomed COG Members and participating officials.

1. **Minutes approval**

Mayor Overson

A motion was made to approve the January and May minutes provided to COG Members, the motion was seconded and passed.

2. **WFRC Funding programs**

Andrew Gruber

Mr. Gruber and WFRC Staff provided a briefing about the WFRC funds available to communities, annual process with competitive grants. Allocate \$25 million for Salt Lake County. They explained that while CDBG funding does not qualify, Economic Development Districts, Transportation and Land Use, and Roadway improvements do. They want to encourage everyone to apply.

3. **Corridor Preservation Funding Cmte**

Mayor Dahle

Mayor Dahle said that Public Works Committee met on the 15th and thanked Staff and participants. He explained that there were some reservations on the 126th South application, and whether it was appropriate to use corridor funds for the project, Mayor Dahle said that they did decide to approve the application. He added that this may be a good time to review the scoring criteria and review how they plan to handle similar issues going forward.

Ms. Peters provided an update and said that they awarded Unincorporated County \$720,000, and West Jordan \$2,114,000. There were two additional applications that the committee decided not to fund but encouraged them to apply again in November when they will be accepting more applications. She requested a motion to approve the Unincorporated County and West Jordan projects.

A motion was made by Mayor Dahle to approve the Corridor Preservation funding as recommended by Ms. Helen Peters, the motion was seconded by Mayor Peters and unanimously passed. The recommendation will now go to County Council.

4. Introduce new UTA Exec Director

Carlton Christensen

Mr. Christensen introduced UTA's new Executive Director, Carolyn Gonot, and invited her to speak about her professional background.

5. UTA Coverage/Frequency Study

Laura Hanson

Ms. Hanson explained the Frequency Study to Members present, she discussed different service options available including "coverage fixed routes", "flex routes" where a rider can schedule a deviated pick up time in advanced up to ¾ of a mile, "micro transit pilot" which is coming this fall using a smart phone riders can schedule a ride and a 12 passenger van will pick up a rider at a corner stop and will take them anywhere in their pilot areas zone. Pilot zones will include portions of South Jordan, Riverton, Bluffdale, Harriman, Draper, and Sandy. Fairs will be the same as regular bus fair and will be ADA accessible.

Input was provided by several COG Members regarding focusing on coverage and ridership.

Ms. Hanson will email out a survey to COG Members to gather additional feedback.

6. 7 Canyons Trust – Plan

Kyle LaMalfa

Mr. LaMalfa gave a brief history of 7 Canyons Trust and explained that their goal is to daylight the 7 rivers in Salt Lake City and provided several examples of similar projects including City Creek.

A comment was offered by a COG Member stating that there are streams that have been dewatered and water that has been diverted, how does 7 Canyons plan on putting that water back while also maintaining conservation goals? Mr. LaMalfa answered that there are many streams that were covered, and 7 Canyons does not intend on daylighting municipal waters, the 7 they have decided to daylight are not creeks that were dewatered or diverted.

Mr. LaMalfa asked that Mayors meet with 7 Canyons Trust to go over current policies and discuss ways that they can participate in the 100-years vision to daylight creeks. He also asked that COG Members make a motion to develop a resolution, or plan, to take an inventory of County streams and make an easily digestible plan for the public to come together on the issue.

A motion to create a committee was made, and seconded. Mr. LaMalfa clarified that he asked the County to make the plan, COG Member explained that the County no longer does plans that that it would be up to each individual municipality to make the plan for themselves. A motion was made to ask WFRC to "have a look at this" and investigate further, the motion was seconded and unanimously passed.

7. November COG meeting date/location

Wilf Sommerkorn

Mr. Sommerkorn proposed November 21, 2019 for COG's annual meeting with Legislators. The following Thursday is Thanksgiving and looking into scheduling, if COG Members do not want to meet on the 21st then they will need to postpone until December. COG Members agreed that November 21st works for the group.

8. Other business

Next meeting: November 21, 2019 at the Columbus Center

COG Members Present

Kyler Brown - Riverton
Vice Chair Dawn Ramsey – South Jordan
Kristie Steadman-Overson – Taylorsville
Cherie Wood – South Salt Lake
Blair Camp - Murray
Robert Dahle – Holladay
Paulina Flint – White City Township
Robert Hale – Midvale
Clint Smith – Herriman
Charlie Luke – Salt Lake City
Derk Timothy – Bluffdale

Zach Jacob – West Jordan
Dan Peay – Magna Township
Harris Sondak – Alta
Mike Peterson – Cottonwood Heights
Kelly Bush – Kearns
Karen Lang – West Valley
Joe Smolka – Emigration Township
Tim Tingey – Cottonwood Heights
Erin Litvack – Salt Lake County
Ann Granato – Salt Lake County
Kurt Bradburn - Sandy

Other Attendees and Participants

Wilf Sommerkorn
Andrew Gruber
Carlton Christensen
Brian Tonetti
Scott Hess – WFRC
Michael Jensen
Lisa Hartman
Will Kocher
Janice Kimball

Jake Young
Helen Peters
Sam Klemm
Kyle LaMalfa
Greg Schulz
Christy Dahlburg
Alan Peterson
Bart Barker
Erika Fihaki