MOUNTAINLAND MPO
TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Monday, May 20, 2013

Mountainland Conference Room
586 East 800 North, Orem, Utah
1:30 p.m.

Attending:

Chris Trusty, Chair
Adam Olsen
Casey Brown
Hugh Van Wagenen
Andrew Jackson
Chad Eccles
Jenny Meyer
Jim Price
Shawn Eliot
Shawn Seager
Paul Goodrich
Jill Spencer
Degen Lewis
Ron Phillips
Dave Decker
Greg Flint
Jim McNulty
Jeremy Lapin
Cory Pierce
Brandon Snyder
Janelle Ericson
Ken Anson
Richard Nielson

Eagle Mountain
American Fork
J-U-B Engineers
Lindon
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Orem
Payson
Pleasant Grove
Phillips Associates
Provo
Santaquin
Saratoga Springs
Saratoga Springs
Spanish Fork
Springville
UTA
UTA
Utah County
Chairman Chris Trusty welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 1:35 p.m.

Approved the meeting minutes for April 22, 2013
Richard Nielson moved to approve the April 22, 2013, minutes. Jeremy Lapin seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

TIP Update Public Comment Approval - Shawn Eliot
The TAC Committee was asked to allow the TIP Update to go straight to public comment before TAC approval because UDOT and UTA will not submit changes until the end of June and MPO TAC will not meet until the end of July. MAG policy requires committee approval for all documents to go to public comment. Final approval will not be done until the TAC Committee sees the entire TIP document. It will be a minor technicality as there are no changes on the MPO side. The only changes will be what UDOT puts into the STIP and UTA adjustments. There won't be time to get approval of the changes before the required 30 day public comment period opens. The TAC Committee will be able to review the entire TIP document before final approval.

Paul Goodrich motioned to go forward with the minor technicality that allows public comment to open before TAC Committee approval. Richard Nielson seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

County Transportation Taxes Selection Process - Shawn Eliot
The MPO Technical Advisory Committee was presented with a proposal to add the Utah County Transportation Sales Taxes and Vehicle Registration Fees into the TIP Project Selection Process. Currently there is no official way of a technical review and approval process for these funds. The currently programmed projects are fully funded using funding though 2014. Funding for 2015 and later has not been programmed. The MPO TIP Project Selection Process is a proven way to vet projects with all the transportation planners and engineers from the MPO jurisdictions, UDOT, and UTA at the table. Adding these funds to the process will allow decision maker to make better informed decisions, create a formal process for applicants to receive funds, and create a priority projects list that has backing of the transportation community. The definitions and eligibility of B and C Road Funds and the Right-of-Way process were also discussed. The MPO staff recommended that the MPO Technical Advisory Committee approve the proposed TIP Selection Process modification as discussed and highlighted in the handout.

Paul Goodrich made a recommendation that the MPO Technical Advisory Committee approve and recommend approval to the MPO Regional Planning Committee, the highlighted changes to the TIP Project Selection Process to add Utah County Transportation Sales Taxes and Vehicle Registration Fees to the selection process using the 2011 RTP and also the addition of adding Utah
County Funds to the match. Degen Lewis seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

University PKWY/BRT $2.8m Request for County Transportation funds - Shawn Eliot
MPO staff presented the MPO Technical Advisory Committee with a TIP modification. UDOT and UTA have requested that Utah County Sales Tax funds be used to do design work on University PKWY between State ST, Orem and University AVE, Provo. In March 2013, the MPO Regional Planning Committee approved placing $3m on University PKWY to improve intersections. Future plans for the corridor are to widen the road to 6 lanes and add dedicated Bus Rapid Transit lanes in the median. Janelle Ericson from UTA explained the scope of the project. The environmental work for the widening and BRT is complete, but for UDOT to move forward with improving the intersections, they need to complete design work for the future configuration of the corridor in order to place the signals in the final locations. They are requesting that $2.8m of Utah County Sales Tax funds be used to do design work to allow for the intersection work to move forward. MPO staff recommended that the MPO Technical Advisory Committee approve the proposed TIP modification and recommend to the MPO Regional Planning Committee the same.

Ken Anson moved that the MPO Technical Advisory Committee approve and recommend approval to the MPO Regional Planning Committee, $2.8m Utah County Sales Tax funds for University PKWY Design Work in order to locate the future corridor alignment so permanent intersection improvements can be made. Paul Goodrich seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Other Business-

a. Wasatch Choice Consortium Meeting - Shawn Seager
Shawn invited the committee to the Wasatch Choice Spring Consortium Meeting. The meeting will be held at the Salt Palace on May 29, 2013 from 2:00-5:00p.m. This meeting will be one of their last and will give an opportunity for city planners and city council members to be engaged in the Wasatch choice for 2040 Vision and learn about some of the tools coming out of the HUD Sustainability Grant. One of the tools is called Envision Tomorrow Plus or ET Plus. It’s a modeling tool that uses GIS interface to calculate if you change zoning parcels from R1 to a mixed use and shows what it does to the cities tax generation. Shawn encouraged anyone interested to attend.
b. **Utah Foundation Research Report - Shawn Seager**
Utah Foundation is a nonprofit nonpartisan organization that produced a research report called Fueling Our Future, 2013-2040. Its Policy options address Utah’s future transportation needs. MAG assisted with the creation along with WFRC, UTA, and UDOT. Shawn offered anyone interested a copy of the policy.

c. **Murdock Canal - Jim Price**
Jim Price announced that the Murdock Canal is officially open and already heavily in use. Before the canal legally opened there were 75,000 illegal trips in one month. On Friday, May 17 there was a group bike ride and Saturday they held an official Grand Opening. Both events had a great turnout. Jim encouraged the committee to use the bike trail and visit the Murdock Canal website for more information.

d. **The next meeting is scheduled for July 22, 2013.**
Jeremy Lapin moved to adjourn the meeting at 2:35 p.m., Richard Nielson seconded.

*Meeting minutes are digitally recorded. A hard copy of the attendees, a brief summary, and all motions made during a meeting will be approved at the next meeting. A CD of the entire meeting is available upon requested.*