Mayor Leifson called the meeting to order at 11:40 a.m. and asked for introductions.

**Approve the August 1, 2018 Meeting Minutes**
Mayor Brunst moved to approve the August 1, 2018 meeting minutes as presented. Mayor Frost seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**Public Comment**
No comments.

**Regional Transportation Plan Discussion: Financially Constrained Project List** - Chad Eccles
Periodically MAG evaluates transit projects to ensure they are phased in appropriately as transportation needs are greater than the revenue. Chad reported that most of the highway
needs have adequate funding. Transit project needs maps were presented. Needs are defined as projects that justify investment. Transit projects are identified as those having good ridership and that are supported by local government. A brief overview of the various projects listed on the map was provided. The committee engaged in a general discussion regarding current and future transit projects. Shawn Seager reported that projects lower on the list can be moved to phase one if recommended, approved and amended by both TAC and RPC. The frequency and expansion of transit systems, including bus routes was discussed and ways to better meet the needs of the growing communities.

Legislative Update – Andrew Jackson

A summary of SB72 was provided listing the transportation governance and funding revisions from the January 16, 2019 bill draft. The draft will go before the Senate Transportation, Public Utilities, and Technology Standing Committee on February 6, 2019.

UTA modifications were made and include repealing the name change of UTA, change name of UTA local advisory board to local advisory council, and allow COG to be part of the nomination process for UTA Trustees.

Allowable uses of local options sales and use tax revenue were identified and will be made consistent within all counties and cities. Tax revenue generated can be used for the development, construction, maintenance, or operation of state roads, county roads, city/town roads, and rural non-paved roads. With the recent adoption of the fourth quarter sales tax, revenue can start paying for the BRT bonds, freeing up to $9M for projects.

SB34 affordable housing modifications include updates on how cities and counties prepare their land use, transportation, and housing elements of their general plan, and enhanced coordination of housing development with transportation investment.

Other Business

Next meeting tentatively scheduled for March 6, 2019

Mayor Brunst moved to adjourn the meeting at 12:17 p.m. Mayor Westmoreland seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

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