# SALT LAKE CITY

## TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY BOARD

#### Minutes of the November 2, 2015 Meeting

Present from the Transportation Advisory Board were: Andrea Olson, Chet Cannon, Hal Johnson, Lamar Ewell, Rachel Otto, Robin Hutcheson, Shaun Jacobsen, Tyler Fisher and Whitney Ward.

Absent from the Transportation Advisory Board were: Cathy Liu, Cheryl Heying, Daniel Page, Jeff Dixon and Reid Ewing.

Also present were Tom Stetich, Bryan Meenen, Amy Lyons, Russell Weeks, Blake Perez, Cris Jones and Katie Lewis.

The meeting, held at the SLC Traffic Control Center, 260 East 600 South, Salt Lake City, Utah, was called to order at 4:14 p.m. by Rachel Otto.

Welcome and Introduction of Guests - Rachel welcomed everyone.

Public Comment – There was no public comment.

**Motion:** Shaun Jacobson moved to approve the minutes of the June 1, 2015 meeting. Chet Cannon seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**Motion:** Tyler Fisher moved to approve the minutes of the August 3, 2015 meeting. Shaun Jacobson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**Motion:** Tyler Fisher moved to approve the minutes of the October 5, 2015 meeting. Shaun Jacobson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**General Updates & Announcements** –The Jordan River Bride from 200 South to North Temple was partially funded. Transportation applied for \$500,000 and was granted \$150,000 from the Jordan River Commission and \$4.5 million was received from Salt Lake County. Robin is still pursuing other funding sources; possibly from the State Legislature or the State Sovereign Lands. There is currently a shortage of \$1-2 million depending on the type of bridge decided upon. The Salt Lake City Council has asked for a summary of the Complete Streets projects over the past two years. It has been interesting to see the transformation and Robin would like to add it to the agenda to share with TAB after it has been presented to the Council. Robin reminded everyone to get their ballots in on Election Day. Transportation Staff attended NACTO last week and Robin feels it is one of the best transportation organizations that focuses on designing systems for people. She said the attending staff did an amazing job representing the City. Colin gave a great presentation on protected bike lanes and intersections and Alexis did a great presentation on #SLCMoves and creating a brand for the division.

# **Open Meeting Law Training**

### Katie Lewis, SLC Attorney's Office

Katie Lewis from the City Attorney's office gave the Board their required annual open meeting law training. The basic principle under state law is that a meeting of a public body has to be open to the public unless it falls under an exception as indicated by that law. She went over public notice requirements and said a topic raised by the public can be discussed in a meeting however no final action can be made. She discussed the proper way to handle group contact outside of TAB Meetings. The city has adopted an ordinance allowing electronic meetings but the rule is that there has to be a majority of a quorum of the board physically present in order to have electronic participation.

#### **HIVE Pass Update**

### Blake Perez, SLC Transportation

Blake reviewed program specifics with the Board including that the price is \$42.00 per month, includes unlimited rides on all Bus, Trax and Streetcar with discounts on Frontrunner. This is a month to month commitment with 20% being paid by UTA, 30% being subsidized by the City and 50% being paid by the User. He gave an overview of their marketing and outreach strategies and a sales update. Currently there have been 1,591 passes sold and the current average weekly sales is 41.923. The Hive budget was explained and there have been over 52,000 Hive rider trips made as of October with a continual steady increase. The next steps for the Hive Pass include another round of marketing and advertising, a 6 month client survey, exploring Hive Pass addons such as Frontrunner and GREENbike, streamlining the sales process and developing strategies to utilize projected budget surplus.

## **Transportation Advisory Board Officer Elections**

Rachel Otto nominated Chet Cannon for the Chair position. Whitney Ward seconded the nomination. All Board members present were in favor, with Chet Cannon becoming the new TAB Chair.

Hal Johnson nominated Whitney Ward for the Vice-Chair position. Chet Cannon seconded the nomination. All Board members present were in favor, with Whitney Ward becoming the new TAB Vice-Chair.

## **Traffic Control Center**

## Tom Stetich and Bryan Meenen, SLC Transportation

Traffic signals exist to get commuters through the intersections safely and efficiently. There are a variety of constraints that vary by city. Some of those constraints are block length, street width, desired travel speeds, speed limits, and signal cycle lengths. Other issues that factor into Traffic Control are the intersecting City and State streets. UDOT has agreed to have consultants look at some problem areas between those types of intersections. As the traffic continues to grow, it's a struggle to designate resources. Every year we try to augment the necessary resources. UDOT's radar detection system has been very helpful. It is another type of detection system, but a very robust one. Radar detection can give direction of travel and lane counts with accuracy in the midninetieth percentile. With the right amount of radar at an intersection we can tell when a vehicle is actually arriving. All of this information is used by the Traffic Engineer to adjust the timing of the lights. The radars are used for data collection; they are not for adaptive signal control. Adaptive signal control works best with a corridor set up not grids. The TAB members were then given a tour of the Traffic Control Center.

The next meeting of the Board was scheduled for December 7, 2015. Tentative future agenda items were not discussed.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:44 p.m.

A recording of this meeting will be available for one year.