# SALT LAKE CITY

### TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY BOARD

### Minutes of the November 4, 2013 Meeting

Present from the Transportation Advisory Board were Andrea Olson, Brian Doughty, Cheryl Heying, Hal Johnson, Rachel Otto, Steve Woods, Whitney Ward, Chet Cannon, Haytham Ibrahim, and Robin Hutcheson.

Also present were Kevin Young, Scott Barrett, Russell Weeks, Colin Quinn-Hurst and Dan Bergenthal.

The meeting held at the Transportation Division Office, 349 South 200 East, Salt Lake City, Utah, was called to order at 4:02 p.m. by Rachel Otto.

Scott Barrett introduced himself as a Sugarhouse citizen, daily bicycle commuter and Salt Lake County ambassador. He's attending the TAB meeting as there was an item on the agenda he was extremely interested in.

**Motion:** Cheryl Heying moved to approve the minutes of the October 9, 2013 meeting. Chet Cannon seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

#### Capital Improvement Program Update

Robin reviewed the Transportation related projects that were approved by City Council which include the following:

- \* 1300 South road reconstruct from State Street to the freeway on-ramp
- \* 1700 South road reconstruct from State Street to 700 East
- \* \$150,000 for Pedestrian Safety Devices
- \* \$120,000 for work in Sugar House including some items in the circulation plan
- \* \$350,000 to improve pedestrian crossings on 800 south/Sunnyside Avenue
- \* Traffic Signal installations on California Avenue at Gladiola and 3800 West
- \* Traffic Signal installation at 1100 East and South Temple Street
- \* \$500,000 for Bicycle/Pedestrian projects including HAWK signal installations
- \* \$150,000 for Driver Feedback Signs
- \* \$450,000 for an intersection improvement at Wakara Way and Arapeen Drive
- \* \$50,000 for East Central Pedestrian Safety Devices on 100 South
- \* Parley's Way examine possibility of doing a road diet
- \* \$200,000 to study the Trans-Valley Corridor
- \* Three Traffic Signal upgrades including better pedestrian push buttons
- \* \$800,000 for a multi-use path along the north side of Sunnyside Avenue
- \* \$1.08 Million for Cycle Tracks

Robin also went over a preliminary list of Transportation related CIP projects for 2014-2015 year which include the following:

- \* Sunnyside-Additional improvements including medians
- \* Jordan Salt Lake Canal
- \* Combination multi-use path and on street bikeway
- \* Complete the University to Downtown bikeway connection
- \* Cycle Track on the east side of Downtown
- \* Traffic Signal Upgrades
- \* Pedestrian Safety Devices

**Resident Transit Passes** – The City Council will hopefully approve the operating budget for this on November 19th. Robin said in the meantime they are preparing for it as if it's already approved because time is short. A way has been found to bill those who don't get a SLC Public Utility bill to accommodate renters, but they are going to be encouraged to either pay for the year up front or use their credit cards for automatic monthly payments. Every Friday there is a team that meets to work out the best ways to administer the program. There will be several mobile locations where permits can be purchased, including all city libraries, over the course of three weeks. It is expected the program will be ready to launch toward the end of January.

# Recap of Bicycle & Pedestrian Activities

<u>First Bicycle Advisory Committee Meeting</u> – Robin said it was a great meeting with good attendance. The BAC will not be selecting leadership for the first three months so the group can get to know each other before they choose their leadership. The members did select staggering terms so the entire committee would not turn over in three years. Once they have their elections, the Vice Chair will have a standing seat on TAB. Robin reminded the board that both TAB and BAC are open meetings that can be attended by anyone at any time.

<u>Open House for Bicycle/Pedestrian Master Plan update</u> – There were fewer attendees at the last open house than the first one but they still had 50-60 people. Fifteen boards were placed around the room showing recommendations. The boards were prioritized and people were able to give feedback by placing stickers on what they liked. People were very enthusiastic and putting bicycle racks at bus stops was a very well liked idea.

<u>200 West Cycle Track</u> - Colin said this project extends from North Temple to 900 South on 200 West. \$80,000 was received from the Transportation Alternatives Program through WFRC and UDOT for this project. 200 West will be resurfaced this summer so the roadway will be converted to one lane in each direction with a center turn lane and a protected bike lane next to the curb. Parking will be placed on the outside of the bike lane similar to 300 East. The goal is to improve on the design used on the 300 East cycle track and make 200 West more aesthetically pleasing by using better green treatments at the intersections and consistent bollards. The initial rough draft of this design has plastic planters with 50 gallon reservoirs so they only need to be filled up every couple of weeks. Another option being looked at is using jersey barriers. The Arts Council has agreed to do an urban art program with the jersey barriers so they would also be aesthetically pleasing. Bike share is currently at the Salt Palace which is on this route and Squatters which is close to this route. Bike Share is looking at the Sheridan Hotel which is also located on 200 West and then in the long run Central 9th which is in the intersection of 900 South and 200 West at the TRAX station. The 900 South and 200 West intersection is really centered for more development and that could potentially be the intersection of two major bikeways with 200 West and the Trans-Valley corridor. There are a lot of connections along the route and there is good potential for bike share along the corridor. The schedule is to have 40% design done by Thanksgiving, 70% done in January and then bid the project April 1st for construction in July.

<u>Decade of the Bike</u> – Colin explained what the Year of the Bike was and said that due to its success and momentum the desire is to keep working and make biking bigger so they decided to declare the Decade of the Bike. The goal of the collaborating entities on this is to make Utah the #1 state for biking by 2020 based on the League of American Bicyclists rankings, which Utah is currently ranked #13. Robin also mentioned that Greenbike is going to close up the bike share for the season any day now.

<u>S-Line & Greenway Opening</u> – The new streetcar which is called the S-Line and the new corresponding Greenway, both going from the 2100 South TRAX station to McClelland Street, will have an opening ceremony on December 5th. It's the City's very first multi-modal corridor with a street car. The S-Line will be open for passenger service on December 9th. UTA is currently doing test with the street cars and they are especially attentive to the new signals, the stop controlled crossings and the pedestrian crossings.

**Car Share Contract Change** – Dan said back in December of 2009 the Car Share Program began with about 10 vehicles and the company under contract was a division of U-Haul. U-Haul was under contract for about 3 ½ years but that changed yesterday and the new company now under contract is Enterprise. The idea behind car sharing is to promote less vehicle use in the city by making connections between end of line transit better. These are short term car rentals that are rented on an hourly basis and include gas and insurance. It's typically between \$5 and \$15 per hour depending on the type of vehicle you choose. The new company has four different models that are mostly hybrids and the program has now grown to have 20 vehicles in Salt Lake City.

**Brainstorming – Topics for Future TAB discussions** – Robin asked the Board to think about how they want to structure the upcoming year by beginning to craft the 2014 agenda. She asked for some of the topics that TAB would be interested in and those topics are as listed below.

Whitney – Coordinate with the Downtown Master Plan to make downtown more walkable

Rachel - Discuss the East Capitol Hill bikeway and streetscape

Rachel – Keep up on Cycle Track progress

Rachel – Capitol Hill & Sugar House Circulation Plans

Hal – Engage with the MPO more

Whitney – Follow through with the Transit Master Plan and see how it interacts with the Bicycle/Pedestrian Master Plan

Haytham – Coordinate with schools for better pedestrian crossings and revisit the Safe Routes to School discussion

Cheryl – Discussion on the snow plows and on street parking

Hal – Update with UDOT

Hal – Discuss adding a UDOT representative to the TAB

Hal – Update with the Airport

Whitney – Taxi's and Ground Transportation

Hal – UTA Project updates

Brian – UTA's scheduling methodology and their five year service plan

Robin – Field tours for TAB

Robin – Traffic Signal Program/Coordination with UDOT

The next meeting of the Board was scheduled for Monday, December 2, 2013. Tentative agenda items include: HAWK Signal Locations, Bicycle/Pedestrian Master Plan and Wasatch Choice 2040. The Board decided not to meet in January 2014.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:34 p.m.

(A recording of the meeting will be available for one year)