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**DATE:** June 12, 2006  
**TO:** City Council Members  
**FROM:** Russell Weeks  
**RE:** Briefing: Amendments to the Salt Lake City Major Street Plan and Rail Transit Corridor maps  
**CC:** Cindy Gust-Jenson, Rocky Fluhart, Louis Zunguze, D.J. Baxter, Tim Harpst, Alex Ikefuna, Kevin Young, Gary Mumford, Wayne Mills, Janice Jardine

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This memorandum pertains to the Salt Lake City Planning Commission's Petition No. 400-05-14 to amend and update maps of Salt Lake City's *Major Street Plan* and *Rail Transit Corridors*. The City Council is scheduled to hear a briefing on the issue June 15. The Council also is scheduled on June 15 to set a date for a public hearing on proposed map amendments. The proposed date for the public hearing is July 6. After the hearing the City Council would consider the proposed ordinance contained in the Administration's transmittal. The proposed ordinance would codify the proposed amendments and rename one of the maps.

### **Key Points**

- The maps are attachments to the *Salt Lake City Transportation Master Plan*. As their titles indicate, one map shows major streets and their classifications in the master plan, and the other shows existing and potential rail transit corridors.
- The maps have not been updated since the City Council adopted the *Transportation Master Plan* in 1996.
- Scheduling the July 6 public hearing date is on the Consent Agenda.

### **Options**

After the July 6 public hearing:

- Adopt the ordinance amending the maps.
- Do not adopt the ordinance.
- Adopt the ordinance, but add any amendments Council Members may wish to make.

### **Potential Motions**

After the July 6 public hearing:

- I move the City Council adopt the ordinance amending the *Major Street Plan* map and the *Rail Transit Corridors* map and renaming the latter map the *Major Transit Facilities* map, pursuant to Petition No. 400-05-14.

- I move that the City Council consider the next item on the agenda.
- I move the City Council adopt the ordinance amending the *Major Street Plan* map and the *Rail Transit Corridors* map and renaming the latter map the *Major Transit Facilities* map, pursuant to Petition No. 400-05-14 with the following amendments (Council Members may add any amendments they wish.)

### **Issues/Questions for Consideration**

- A consultant has begun a 12-month study that will lead to the publication of a *Downtown Transportation Master Plan*. Transportation Division officials have indicated that the division intends to revise the *Salt Lake City Transportation Master Plan* in conjunction with the study. Given those, will the two maps require further amendments than those now proposed?
- Would the Utah Transit Authority's plans for its commuter rail line affect the *Major Street Plan's* designation of 500 West Street as a proposed collector street between South Temple and Victory Road?
- Council staff has attached lists of proposed major street plan changes and proposed transit map changes from the Administration transmittal for quick reference by Council Members.

### **Background/Discussion**

The Planning Commission initiated Petition No. 400-05-14 on May 22, 2005. The Planning Division then held two open houses – on December 7, 2005, and January 30, 2006. The Transportation Advisory Board adopted a motion on January 9, 2006, to support amendments to the two maps. The Planning Commission held a public hearing on the proposed amendments on March 22, 2006. After the hearing the Commission adopted a motion to recommend that the City Council adopt the proposed amendments to the maps.

As mentioned previously, the maps originally were adopted in 1996 as part of the *Salt Lake City Transportation Master Plan*. Many of the proposed amendments reflect projects that have been finished since the maps originally were adopted. Some proposed changes to the maps are designed to anticipate future projects.

According to the Transportation Division, the Administration would like to amend the maps to show mass transit corridors along 5600 West Street and in Sugar House. In the case of 5600 West Street the Utah Department of Transportation is conducting a major investment study of the corridor, and the Administration wants to preserve mass transit as an option. In the case of Sugar House, the Administration would like to see the Sugar House railroad spur owned by the Utah Transit Authority developed into a working transit line. The Administration indicates that it would prefer amending the maps now to include the above items on the maps rather than wait roughly 10 months for the completion of the *Downtown Transportation Master Plan* and the revision of the *Salt Lake City Transportation Master Plan*.

Below are some amendments that may be of interest to the City Council.

The *Major Transit Facilities* map includes additions of corridors on the east side of the City for “potential light rail or significant bus service” between 2100 South and Interstate 80 and from Interstate 15 to 2100 East. The latter corridor appears to include the Sugar House spur – a railroad right of way owned by the Utah Transit Authority.

The *Major Street Plan* map contains about 50 changes. Seven streets or parts of streets have been removed from the map. Roughly 30 streets or stretches of streets have been added or changed to reflect their existing uses. A future interchange at 7200 West Street south of the City limit has been added. So has an interchange at 1800 North Street and Interstate 15.

One item the City Council may wish to explore is the designation of 500 West Street between South Temple Street and Victory Road from an existing local street to a proposed collector street. The City Council may wish to determine if the Utah Transit Authority's plans to build a commuter rail line to the Intermodal Hub at 600 West 200 South may affect that designation.

It should be noted that the *Transportation Master Plan* defines a collector street as one that provides "connection between arterial and local streets. Collectors can be multi-lane but are meant to carry less traffic at lower speeds ... than arterials. They provide direct access to abutting property and carry a mix of local traffic and commuter traffic headed for nearby destinations."

**Proposed Transit Map Changes**

<b>1996 Map Item</b>	
<b>Proposed Map Change</b>	
Proposed UP/SP freight line relocation from Downtown	Removed
5600 West potential light rail or significant bus corridor (study area)	Expanded
Airport light rail extension corridor	Expanded
North/South consolidation of railroad tracks on one alignment	Completed - area removed from map
Planned commuter rail from Ogden to Salt Lake	corridor defined along consolidated rail corridor
Potential Downtown circulator	Expanded
Potential light rail or significant bus service corridor east of 2100 east	Expanded
<b>New Additions</b>	
Rail Intermodal Facility	Existing/Completed Light Rail Lines
	Potential light rail or significant bus service along Beck Street to Downtown
	Intermodal Hub (2008)
	Potential light rail or significant bus service corridor between 2100 South and I-80 from I-15 to 2100 East

## Proposed Major Street Plan Changes

	Street Name	Location	Proposed Change
1	West Davis Highway	Northwest area of City boundaries	Removed (proposed arterial)
2	Amelia Earhart Dr.	John Glenn to 7200 West	Removed (proposed arterial)
3	John Glen	700 North to Emelia Earhart	proposed to existing (arterial)
4	800 North	5600 West Wright Bros. Drive	Added (existing and proposed arterial)
5	2200 North	3200 West to I-215	Added (existing arterial)
6	2200 North	4000 West to 3200 West	Added (existing local)
7	2200 North	I-15 to Redwood Road	Removed (proposed arterial)
8	4000 West	Airport to 2200 North	Added (existing local)
9	150 South	5700 West to 5200 West	Added (proposed collector)
10	5200 West	150 South to 300 South	Added (existing collector)
11	5200 West	300 South to 700 South	Added (proposed collector)
12	5500 West	California to 2100 South	proposed to existing (collector)
13	California Ave	5600 West to 3400 West	proposed to existing (arterial)
14	3400 West	California to 500 South	proposed to existing (arterial)
15	3800 West	California to 900 South	proposed to existing (arterial)
16	1820 South	Bangerter Highway to 3230 West	proposed to existing (arterial)
17	2100 South	Redwood Road to 900 West	from arterial to collector (existing)
18	future interchange	7200 West (south of City limits)	Added interchange
19	Mountain View Corridor Options	2100 South to I-80	Added
20	6600 West	300 South to 700 South	Added (proposed collector)
21	300 South	5700 West to 6600 West	Added (proposed collector)
22	300 South	5200 West to 5500 West	Added (existing collector)
23	700 South	5500 West to 5700 West	alignment change
24	5700 West	north of California	proposed collector to existing local
25	1100 South	4800 West to 5600 West	Added (existing collector)

### Proposed Major Street Plan Changes

	Street Name	Location	Proposed Change
26	4800 West	1100 South to California	proposed arterial to existing collector
27	1730 South	5070 West (approx.) to 5600 West	proposed to existing (arterial)
28	4800 West	700 South to 1100 South	Removed (proposed arterial)
29	4400 West	700 South to California	local and arterial to collector (existing)
30	4490 West	1600 South to 2100 South	collector to local (existing)
31	4250 West	1730 South to 2100 South	collector to local (existing)
32	1820 South	3230 West to Pioneer	Removed (proposed arterial)
33	Gladiola	California to Ninigret	proposed to existing (arterial)
34	3230 West	1750 South (approx.) to 2100 South	proposed to existing (arterial)
35	2760 West	Pioneer to 2100 South	proposed to existing (arterial)
36	2200 West	north of 2200 North	alignment of proposed arterial
37	2100 North	I-215 to 3200 West	Removed (proposed arterial)
38	200 South	I-15 to Redwood Road	arterial to local (existing)
39	1460 West	North Temple to North Star	collector to local (existing)
40	North Star	Redwood Road to 1460 West	collector to local (existing)
41	1800 North Interchange	I-15	Added interchange
42	Wasatch Dr	1300 South to 2100 South	from collector to local (existing)
43	2100 East	Foothill to 2100 South	arterial to collector (existing)
44	Main Street	N. Temple to S. Temple	Removed (existing arterial)
45	University	100 South to 400 South	local to collector (existing)
46	400 South	1300 East to University	local to collector (existing)
47	900 South	700 West to 900 West	local to collector (existing)
48	500 West	South Temple to 800 South	local to collector (existing)
49	500 West	South Temple to Victory Road	existing local to proposed collector