

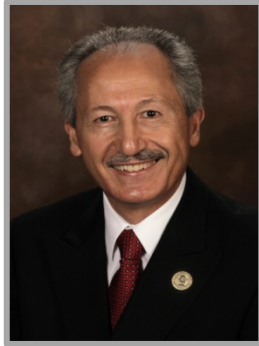
Role of the Utah Transportation Commission

Transportation Interim Committee

Donna Law, Commissioner
Utah Transportation Commission



Utah Transportation Commission Members



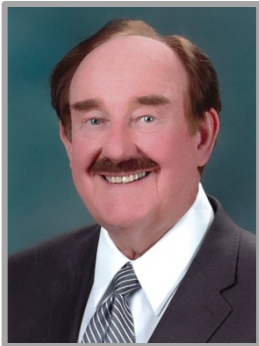
Naghi Zeenati, Chair
Region 4



Meg Holbrook*
Region 2



Danny McConkie*
At Large



Wayne Barlow
Region 1



Donna Law
At Large



Lew Cramer
At Large



Jim Evans
Region 3

*Senate consideration pending whether to confirm appointment of two new commissioners, Natalie Gochnour and Kevin Van Tassell

Duties of the Commission

72-1-303 Duties of Commission

- Determine priorities and funding levels of projects including state funds for capital development transit projects
- Additions and deletions to state highways
- Hearings and opportunities for public input
- Policies and rules necessary to perform duties
- Advise department in state transportation systems policy

Utah State Code Background

Utah Code

Effective 5/14/2019

72-1-304 Written project prioritization process for new transportation capacity projects -- Rulemaking.

(1)

- (a) The Transportation Commission, in consultation with the department and the metropolitan planning organizations as defined in Section 72-1-208.5, shall develop a written prioritization process for the prioritization of:
 - (i) new transportation capacity projects that are or will be part of the state highway system under Chapter 4, Part 1, State Highways;
 - (ii) paved pedestrian or paved nonmotorized transportation projects that:
 - (A) mitigate traffic congestion on the state highway system; and
 - (B) are part of an active transportation plan approved by the department;
 - (iii) public transit projects that add capacity to the public transit systems within the state; and
 - (iv) pedestrian or nonmotorized transportation projects to the public transit system.

(b)

- (i) A local government or district may nominate a project for consideration under the process established by the commission in rule.
- (ii) If a local government or district nominates a project for consideration under the process established by the commission in rule:
 - (A) the project will advance the purposes and goals of the strategic initiatives adopted under Section 72-1-211;
 - (B) for a public transit project, the local government or district shall provide data and information for operations and maintenance of the proposed project;
 - (C) the local government or district will provide 40% of the cost of the project.

(2) The following shall be included in the written prioritization process:

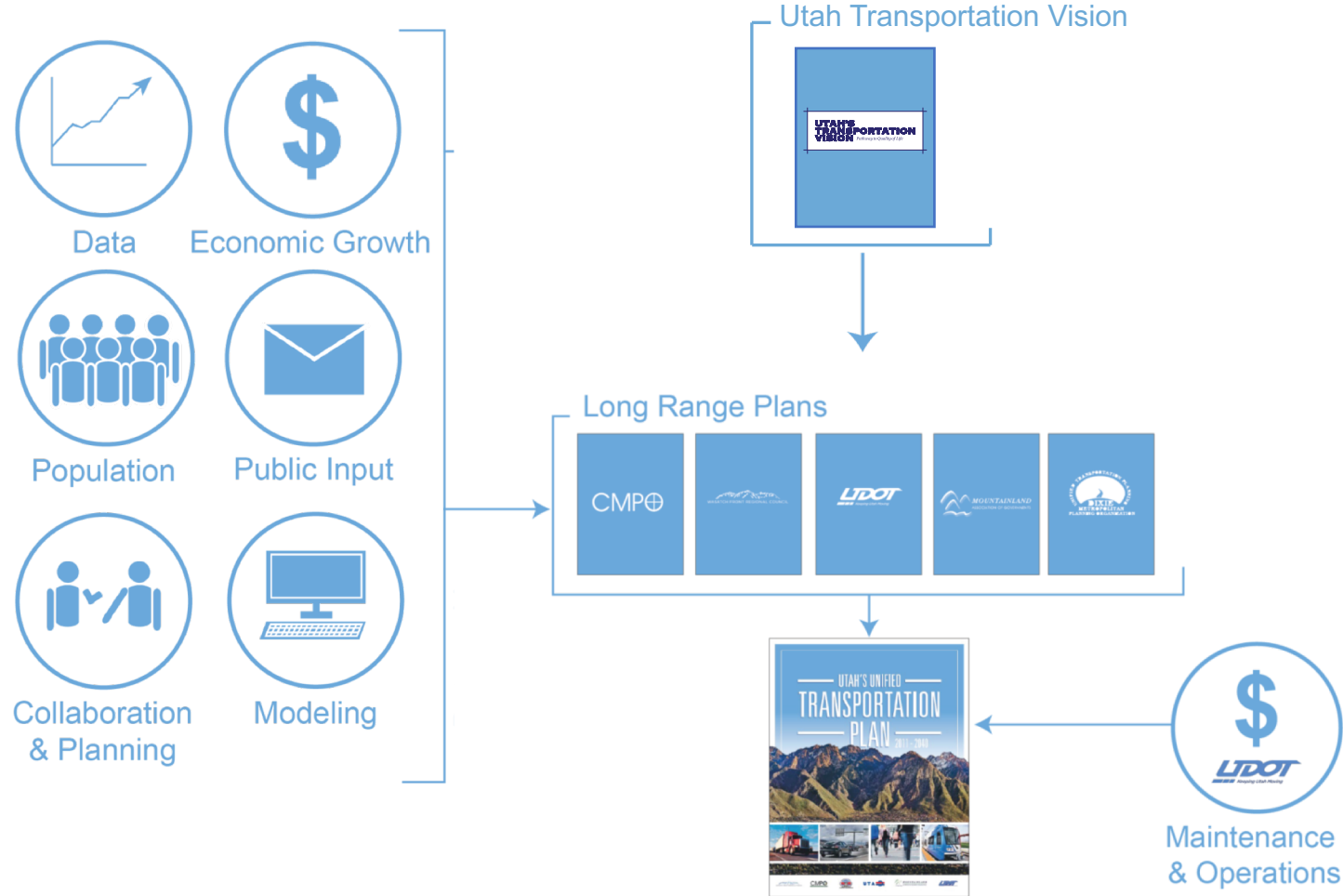
- (a) a description of how the strategic initiatives of the department and the metropolitan planning organizations under Section 72-1-211 are advanced by the written prioritization process;
- (b) a definition of the type of projects to which the written prioritization process applies;
- (c) specification of a weighted criteria system that is used to rank proposed projects and how it will be used to determine which projects will be prioritized;
- (d) specification of the data that is necessary to apply the weighted ranking criteria; and
- (e) any other provisions the commission considers appropriate, which may include consideration of:
 - (i) regional and statewide economic development impacts, including improved local access to:
 - (A) employment;
 - (B) educational facilities;
 - (C) recreation;
 - (D) commerce; and
 - (E) residential areas, including moderate income housing as demonstrated in the local government's or district's general plan pursuant to Section 10-9a-403 or 17-27a-403;
 - (ii) the extent to which local land use plans relevant to a project support and accomplish the strategic initiatives adopted under Section 72-1-211; and
 - (iii) any matching funds provided by a political subdivision or public transit district in addition to the 40% required by Subsections 72-2-124(4)(a)(viii) and 72-2-124(9)(e).

(3) In developing the written prioritization process, the commission:

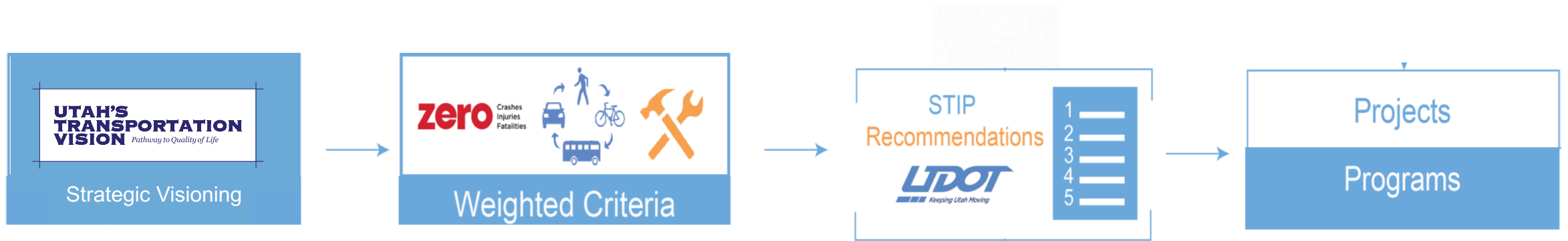
- (a) shall seek and consider public comment by holding public meetings at locations throughout the state; and

- (c) specification of a **weighted criteria system** that is used to rank proposed projects and how it will be used to determine which projects will be prioritized;
- (d) specification of the **data** that is necessary to apply the weighted ranking criteria; and
- (e) any other provisions the commission considers appropriate, which may include consideration of:
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Data & Input for Planning



Process for Ranking & Recommendations



Other Programmatic Level Actions

- Pavement Preservation
- Bridge Preservation
- Safety Projects
- Advanced Traffic Management System (ATMS)
- Road Signing

Commission Approval of STIP

