

Salt Lake County Transportation Project Prioritization Evaluation Criteria

Criteria Evaluation Categories:

- ✓ Livability
- ✓ Access to Opportunity
- ✓ Wasatch Choice 2050
- ✓ Economic Innovation
- ✓ Multi-jurisdictional Collaboration
- ✓ Safety Performance

This document is a draft and is for discussion purposes only. Further consideration and deliberation of the draft Transportation Project Evaluation Criteria will be completed by the Salt Lake County Transportation Advisory Board.

Proposed Project Background:

Project Description:

Project Goal / Purpose:

Estimated Project Cost:

Funding Request:

Proposed Matching Funds:

Metric: Amount of matching funds

Weighting:

Measurement	Weight
10 % or more matching funds	10
8 to 10 %	5
5 %	3

Please provide map of project area with proposed project identified.

Evaluation Criteria Category: Livability

Question: Describe how the proposed project provides access to alternative transportation / trails / open (green) space / nature / parks / recreation within a $\frac{1}{4}$ to $\frac{1}{2}$ of a mile.

Metric: Measure $\frac{1}{4}$ to $\frac{1}{2}$ mile around project area to determine if alternative transportation / trails / open (green) space / nature / recreation access exists.

Weighting:

Measurement	Weight
Transportation access within $\frac{1}{4}$ mile or less	2
Access within $\frac{1}{2}$ mile or less	1
No access within $\frac{1}{2}$ mile	0

Question: How does this proposed project improve air quality and / or reduce mobile source (tailpipe) emissions? (Examples: reduction in Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT), traffic signal coordination, mode shift from single occupant vehicles)

Metric: Review narrative for project improvements that would enhance air quality or reduce mobile source emissions.

Weighting:

Measurement	Weight
2 or more air quality improvements or reduction in mobile source emissions	5
1 air quality improvement or reduction in mobile source emissions	3
No air quality focus/reduction	0

Question: Please list the pedestrian / transit enhancements / amenities that are part of the proposed project design that allow individuals of all ages and abilities safe access? (Examples: sidewalks, bikeways, exclusive bus lanes, comfortable and accessible public transportation stops, frequent and safe crossing opportunities, median island, accessible pedestrian signals, curb extensions, etc.)

Metric: Number of the pedestrian / transit enhancements / amenities that are part of the proposed project design that allow individuals of all ages and abilities safe access.

Weighting:

Measurement	Weight
4 or more amenities within $\frac{1}{2}$ mile	8
3 amenities	6
2 amenities	4
1 amenity	2
No amenities	0

Question: List the community assets (senior centers, libraries, cultural centers, recreational centers, community-based services) within a ½ mile of the proposed project that are accessible by vehicle, walking, and/or bicycling.

Metric: Review list of community assets and measure ½ mile from project area.

Weighting:

Measurement	Weight
4 or more cultural assets within ½ mile	10
3 within ½ mile	8
2 within ½ mile	6
1 within ½ mile	4
0 within ½ mile	0

Evaluation Criteria Category: Access to Opportunity

Question: List the existing number of jobs within a ½ mile that are accessed annually by this proposed project. Data can be obtained by using the US Census Bureau OnTheMap at <https://onthemap.ces.census.gov/>

Metric: Using the OnTheMap tool, identify the estimated number of jobs available within a ½ mile from proposed project.

Weighting:

Measurement	Weight
5,000 or more jobs annually	10
2,500 – 4,999	8
1,000 – 2,499	6
250 – 999 jobs	4
Up to 249 jobs	0

Question: List the public or private job training and educational opportunities (higher education / vocational instruction / professional schools) within a ½ mile of the proposed project.

Metric: Number of public or private job training and educational opportunities (higher education / vocational instruction / professional schools) within a ½ mile of the proposed project.

Weighting:

Measurement	Weight
3 or more job training or educational opportunities within ½ mile	10
2 within ½ mile	8
1 within ½ mile	6
0 within ½ mile	0

Question: What is your existing mix of housing types? (Check with your jurisdiction's Moderate-Income Housing Plan (MIHP). Is your diversification of housing types increasing over time (for example, the next 5 to 10 years)?

Metric: Percent increase in diversification of housing types over 5 – 10 years.

Weighting:

Measurement	Weight
XX % increase in diversification of housing types	6
XX % increase	4
XX % increase	2

Question: How many health and human services are provided within a ½ mile of the proposed project (Examples: grocery stores / medical facilities / retail)?

Metric: Number of locations offering health and human services within ½ mile.

Weighting:

Measurement	Weight
Strong access within ½ mile (4 or more locations)	4
Medium access within ½ mile (2 or more)	2
Low or no access	0

Question: Does this proposed project benefit individuals and families living in affordable or low-income housing by providing access to multi-modal transportation?

Metric: Number of affordable housing units within ½ mile of the proposed project.

Weighting:

Measurement	Weight
100 or more affordable housing units	10
50-99	8
25-49	6
10-24	4
0-9	0

Question: What is the number of people who live within ½ mile of the proposed project?

Metric: Number of people who live within ½ mile of the proposed project.

Weighting:

Measurement	Weight
500 people within ½ mile	6
99 – 499 people	3
Less than 99 people	0

Evaluation Criteria Category: Wasatch Choice 2050

Question: Is this project part of an identified center (historical and/or emerging regional destination of economic activity)?

- ✓ **Metropolitan Center** – mixed land use with crossroads of regional roads as well as host to the region’s transit hub
- ✓ **Urban Center** – mix of land uses with significant commerce/regional retail; intersection of major arterials/freeway interchanges served by high capacity transit
- ✓ **Town Center** - mix of land uses including grocery stores, restaurants, civic, and retail in a node area of 6-8 city blocks or a corridor of several blocks in length; frequent bus lines, high capacity transit
- ✓ **Neighborhood Center** – mix of land uses including retail in a node area of approximately 1-4 city blocks or a corridor of a few blocks in length; frequent bus lines, high capacity transit
- ✓ **Employment** – office flex; arterial or higher roadway needs; high capacity transit
- ✓ **Industrial** – light and heavy industry, warehousing, incidental office, retail; freight-oriented roadway needs with bus services as optimal transit
- ✓ **Special District** - regionally significant special purpose such as an airport or university; a variety of context sensitive roadway and transit needs

Metric: Is proposed project part of an identified Wasatch 2050 Center?

Weighting:

Measurement	Weight
Yes	2
No	0

Question: Which Wasatch Choice 2050 Vision Key Strategies does the project meet?

- Provide transportation choices – Allows for more than one mode to reach a destination
- Support housing options
- Preserve open space
- Link development and transportation decisions – How does this proposed project link economic development, housing, and transportation?

Metric: Which Wasatch Choice 2050 Strategy does the project meet?

Weighting:

Measurement	Weight
4 strategies identified	6
2-3 strategies identified	4
0-1 strategies identified	2

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Evaluation Criteria Category: Economic Innovation

Question: Is the proposed project within the boundaries of an Redevelopment Area / Community Redevelopment Area / Opportunity Zone / Transportation Reinvestment Zone? If so, provide the boundaries of the redevelopment area and the goal / purpose of the project area.

Metric: Is the proposed project within the boundaries of Redevelopment Area / Community Redevelopment Area / Opportunity Zone / Transportation Reinvestment Zone?

Weighting:

Measurement	Weight
Yes	10
No	0

Question: Does this proposed project support Salt Lake County's strategies for global engagement as outlined in the Salt Lake County Global Trade and Investment Plan?

Metric: Number of Global Trade and Investment Plan strategies supported? (pp 24-25 in the plan).

Strategies:

1. Develop a more diverse export portfolio that exhibits the region's current economic landscape and extant international connections.
2. Establish workforce development programs for high- and low-skill workers that strengthen Salt Lake County's talent pool.
3. Rebrand Salt Lake County as a globally fluent hub of culture and innovation.
4. Enhance and improve the region's transportation and freight infrastructure.

Weighting:

Measurement	Weight
4 strategies	8
3 strategies	6
2 strategies	4
1 strategy	2
No strategies	0

Evaluation Criteria Category: Multi-jurisdictional Collaboration

Question: Does the proposed project cross multiple jurisdictions?

Metrics: Have you coordinated/collaborated with other jurisdiction(s); and, if so, are zoning/land uses compatible?

Weighting:

Do you have a letter of support describing the collaboration effort from the other jurisdiction(s)?

Measurement	Weight
Yes	2
No	0

Number of jurisdictions involved in proposed project:

Measurement	Weight
3 or more jurisdictions	6
2 or more	4
1 or more	2
None	0

Question: Does the proposed project connect to regional transportation systems (Examples: Salt Lake County's Active Transportation Implementation Plan (ATIP), Wasatch Front Regional Council's Regional Transportation Plan (RTP)? Describe how it connects.

Metric: Does this proposed project help to build and preserve a regional network?

Weighting:

Measurement	Weight
Proposed project connects and complements multiple plans	4
Some connection with other plans	2
Proposed project is does not connect or complement other plans	0

Evaluation Criteria Category: Safety Performance

Question: Describe how this proposed project address safety deficiency(ies)?

Metric: Does this proposed project consider safety improvements?

Measurement	Weight
Yes	2
No	0

Question: How does the proposed project support safe sidewalks?

Metric: Are sidewalks connected to the proposed project or are their gaps/deficiencies in sidewalk infrastructure surrounding proposed project?

Weighting:

Measurement	Weight
Sidewalks are connected and ADA compliant	2
Gaps in sidewalk and are not ADA compliant	0

Question: Is the proposed project identified on a Student Neighborhood Access Plan (SNAP)?

Metric: Is proposed project on a SNAP map if near elementary or middle school?

Weighting:

Measurement	Weight
Yes	2
No	0