



RESOLUTION NO. 11-02-2021

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SANTAQUIN DECLARING SUPPORT FOR THE LOCALLY PREFERRED ALTERNATIVE FOR THE SOUTH VALLEY TRANSIT PROJECT

WHEREAS, the Utah Transit Authority, the Cities of Provo, Springville, Spanish Fork, Payson, and Santaquin, Mountainland Association of Governments, and Utah Department of Transportation have jointly prepared the South Valley Transit Study which identifies a future Commuter Rail alignment from Provo to Payson, and Express Bus service from Payson to Santaquin.

WHEREAS, long-term population and employment growth in south Utah County is forecasted to be substantial, and as a result, will require additional and robust transit options to meet the forecasted travel demand and provide direct connections to regional destinations.

WHEREAS, the City and partners have considered various alternatives as part of the South Transit Study and hereby recommends the Locally Preferred Alternative for the South Valley Transit Study to be implemented as described below:

The Locally Preferred Alternative Commuter Rail segment from Provo to Payson would begin at the FrontRunner Provo Station and travel south adjacent to the Sharp Industrial Lead. In Springville, the alignment would leave the Sharp Industrial Lead and join the Tintic Industrial Lead. The alignment would continue south along the Tintic Industrial Lead and terminate just north of the Main Street Interchange in Payson. Stations to be served by Commuter Rail as part of the Locally Preferred Alternative include:

- FrontRunner Provo (existing station)
- Springville (future station)
- Spanish Fork (future station)
- Payson Main Street (future station)

The Locally Preferred Alternative Express Bus segment from Payson to Santaquin would begin at the future Payson Main Street Commuter Rail station and utilize I-15 in mixed flow traffic to travel south to Santaquin. Future station locations would be identified along this Express Bus segment in collaboration with Payson, Santaquin, and UTA.

These segments – Provo to Payson and Payson to Santaquin – may be advanced separately.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Santaquin City Council that the City supports the Locally Preferred Alternative for the South Valley Transit Study which includes Commuter Rail alignment from Provo to Payson, and Express Bus service from Payson to Santaquin, as described and shown in the attached figure.

The resolution shall take effect upon passage and approval.

Approved and Adopted by the City Council of Santaquin City this 16th day of November.

SANTAQUIN CITY

Mayor Kirk F. Hunsaker

ATTEST:

K. Aaron Shirley, City Recorder

