



Regional Transportation Authority

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- Innovative Transportation Task Force was established Summer of 2020
- Representatives from City, County, SSRC, Chamber
- Bifurcated regional from local issues
- Regional Transportation Authority (RTA) quickly arose as potential tool

- An agreement between at least two governmental entities that forms a third governmental entity (“the authority”)
- Administers a transportation system with clearly identified boundaries.
- RTA’s revenue
 - Annual motor vehicle registration fee
 - Levy a sales or use tax
 - Levy a property tax,
 - Issue and/or reissue bonds





- Facilities
- Sidewalks, Shelters, Pedestrian Crossings, other Infrastructure
- Technology
- Fixed Route bus, Commuter bus, Regional bus
- Paratransit, Senior Van, Vanpool, Rideshare,
- Heavy Rail, Light Rail, Subway, Fixed Guideway, Tramway
- Equipment purchase or lease
- Planning, Development, Surveying and Studies
- Trails
- Roads

- ITTF created a Problem Statement
- Identified benefits:
 - Efficiency
 - Economy
 - Reduced Traffic
 - Improved Environment
 - Sustainable Funding
 - Equitable
 - Safety
 - Social



- Engage a consultant to provide facilitation and technical expertise on the creation of an RTA in the Yampa Valley
- Options of:
 - roadway expansion,
 - bicycle and pedestrian
 - micro-transit & vanpool,
 - shared rides
 - bus
 - bus rapid transit

Cost: \$130-&150K



- City would apply for a Federal 5304 Transit Grant to support the planning and feasibility study this summer
- FTA Section 5304 funds are available for planning projects in rural areas
- 5304 grants require a 20% match: \$26K-\$30K
- SSRC has indicated a willingness to financially contribute to the match amount, provided the City and the County also contribute

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