



## RESOLUTION TO OPPOSE PROVO-OREM BUS RAPID TRANSIT PROJECT

Adopted by the Utah County Republican Party Central Committee on January 24, 2015 at the Lehi Jr. High School

WHEREAS, the Provo-Orem Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) project is a controversial public transportation endeavor that will cost Utah County taxpayers \$65 million in bonding;

WHEREAS, the BRT project benefits only a small percentage of commuters in Provo and Orem yet will be funded by residents throughout Utah County;

WHEREAS, the BRT project will likely take away funding for more needed transportation projects throughout Utah County;

WHEREAS, large public transportation projects often end up greatly exceeding original cost projections;

WHEREAS, the public has been given insufficient notice to discuss and examine the need (if any) and the financial implications of this project; and

WHEREAS, the Salt Lake Tribune reported that the Utah Transit Authority (UTA) use faulty data in projecting BRT ridership numbers and in drawing routes for the BRT project;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Utah County Republican Party admonishes all members of the Utah County Commission, as well as all other publicly elected officials, to vigorously oppose any efforts to impose a bond or use County taxpayer dollars for the purpose of funding the Provo-Orem BRT project; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be delivered to all three members of the Utah County Commission.

- Submitted by Jennifer Baptista