

## REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA

### Thursday, August 6, 2020 at 9:00 am Regional Transportation Commission 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Conference Room 1105 Terminal Way, Reno NV 89502

Meeting via teleconference only pursuant to NRS 241.023 and Emergency Directive 006

#### PUBLIC NOTICE

I. Pursuant to Section 1 of Governor Steve Sisolak's Declaration of Emergency Directive 006 ("Directive 006"), the requirement contained in NRS 241.023(1)(b) that there be a physical location designated for meetings of public bodies where members of the public are permitted to attend and participate has been suspended. Pursuant to Section 3 of Directive 006, the requirements contained in NRS 241.020(4)(a) that public notice agendas be posted at physical locations within the State of Nevada has likewise been suspended. Pursuant to Section 5 of Directive 006, the requirement contained in NRS 241.020(3)(c) that physical locations be available for the public to receive supporting material for public meetings has been suspended. The meeting will be streamed live via the RTC YouTube channel and can be watched by following this link: <u>bit.ly/RTCWashoeYouTube</u>

II. The Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) has a standing item for accepting public input on topics relevant to the jurisdiction of the RTC. Because specific items may be taken out of order to accommodate the public and/or the TAC, public input on all items will be received under Item 2. Individuals providing public input will be limited to three minutes. Members of the public may provide public comment and also comment on Agenda Items without being physically present at the meeting by submitting their comments via online Public Comment Form (<u>https://www.rtcwashoe.com/about/contact/contact-form/</u>), or by emailing their comments to: <u>rtcpubliccomments@rtcwashoe.com</u>. Public commenters may also leave a voicemail at (775) 335-0018. Comments received prior to 4:00 p.m. on August 5, 2020, will be entered into the record.

III. The TAC may combine two or more agenda items for consideration and/or may remove an item from the agenda or delay discussion relating to an item on the agenda at any time.

IV. Requests for supporting documents and all other requests should be directed to RTC Metropolitan Planning at 775-348-0480. Supporting documents may also be found on the RTC website: <u>www.rtcwashoe.com</u>.

V. The RTC appreciates the public's patience and understanding during these difficult and challenging circumstances.

- **ITEM 1** Approval of Agenda (For Possible Action)
- **ITEM 2** Public Comment pursuant to paragraph II under Public Notice near the top of this page
- **ITEM 3** Approval of the June 3, 2020 Meeting Minutes (For Possible Action)
- **ITEM 4** Receive a report on the Nevada Department of Transportation Spaghetti Bowl Xpress (SBX) project (*For Possible Action*)
- **ITEM 5** Acknowledge receipt of a report regarding the update of the 2015 Coordinated Human Services Public Transportation Plan (CTP) *(For Possible Action)*
- **ITEM 6** Acknowledge receipt of a report on an update of the Vision Zero Truckee Meadows Task Force (*For Possible Action*)

- **ITEM 7** Development Updates (Informational Only)
- ITEM 8 Member Items
  - a) City of Reno b) Reno-Tahoe Airport Authority
  - c) City of Sparks d) FHWA
  - e) Washoe County f) Air Quality Management Div. (AQMD)
  - g) NDOT h) TMRPA
  - i) WCSD j) Reno-Sparks Indian Colony (RSIC)
- **ITEM 9** Agenda Items for Future TAC Meetings (For Possible Action)
- ITEM 10 RTC Staff Items (Informational Only)
- ITEM 11 Public Comment pursuant to paragraph II under Public Notice near the top of this page
- **ITEM 12** Adjournment (For Possible Action)

The Committee may take action on any item noted for possible action

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## REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE Meeting Minutes Wednesday, June 3, 2020

## Meeting via teleconference only pursuant to NRS 241.023 and Emergency Directive 006

## **TAC Members Present**

Chris Tolley	Truckee Meadows Regional Planning Agency
Tara Smaltz	Nevada Department of Transportation
Kevin Verre	Nevada Department of Transportation
Mitchell Fink	Washoe County Community Services
Mike Boster	Washoe County School District
Enos Han	Federal Streets & Highway Administration
Lissa Butterfield	Reno-Tahoe Airport Authority
Kurt Dietrich	City of Reno Community Development, Public Works
	Department
Angela Fuss	City of Reno Community Development
Chair, Amber Sosa	City of Sparks Engineering Services

## **RTC Staff**

Bill Thomas Mark Maloney Xuan Wang Amy Cummings Dan Doenges Jacqueline Maldonado

#### **TAC Guest**

Molly O'Brien, Kimley-Horn

The Technical Advisory Committee meeting was conducted as a Virtual Meeting. The meeting was called to order at approximately 9:00 a.m. by the Chair, Amber Sosa.

### ITEM 1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved as submitted.

## ITEM 2. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments.

### ITEM 3. APPROVAL OF THE MAY 6, 2020 MEETING MINUTES

The TAC May 6, 2020, meeting minutes were approved as corrected.

## ITEM 4. ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF A REPORT ON THE SUN VALLEY BOULEVARD MULTI-MODAL IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT PHASE 1: 7<sup>TH</sup> AVENUE TO HIGHLAND RANCH PARKWAY

Maria Paz-Fernandez, PE, RTC Project Manager, gave a brief presentation on the Sun Valley Boulevard Multi-Modal Improvements Project Phase 1; 7<sup>TH</sup> Avenue to Highland Ranch Parkway. A copy of the presentation is on file at the RTC Metropolitan Planning Department.

On a motion by Chris Tolley and seconded by Kevin Verre, the committee acknowledged receipt of a report on the Sun Valley Boulevard Multi-Modal Improvements Project Phase 1: 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue to Highland Ranch Parkway. The motion carried unanimously.

# ITEM 5. PROVIDE FEEDBACK AND ACKNOWLEGE RECEIPT OF A REPORT ON THE PROPOSED 2020 RTC RIDE SERVICE CHANGE

Jim Gee, RTC Manager of Service Planning and Innovation, gave a presentation on the proposed 2020 RTC RIDE service change. Discussion followed. A copy of the presentation is on file at the RTC Metropolitan Planning Department.

On a motion by Kurt Dietrich and seconded by Tara Smaltz, the committee acknowledged receipt of a presentation on the proposed 2020 RTC RIDE service change. The motion carried unanimously.

## ITEM 6. ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF A PRESENTATION ON THE UNIVERSITY AREA MULTI-MODAL TRANSPORTATION STUDY

Xuan Wang, RTC Project Manager, gave a presentation on the University Area Multi-Modal Transportation Study. A copy of the presentation is on file at the RTC Metropolitan Planning Department. On a motion by Kurt Dietrich and seconded by Chris Tolley, the committee acknowledged receipt of a presentation on the University Area Multi-Modal Transportation Study. The motion carried unanimously.

## ITEM 7. RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF THE 2050 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN (RTP) GUIDING PRINCIPLES

Daniel Doenges, RTC Planning Manager, gave a brief Presentation of the 2050 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) Guiding Principles. A copy of the presentation is on file at the RTC Metropolitan Planning Department.

On a motion by Chris Tolley and seconded by Mitchell Fink, the committee recommended approval of a presentation of the 2050 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) Guiding Principles. The motion carried unanimously.

## ITEM 8. RECEIVE A REPORT ON THE MEASURES THAT THE RTC IS IMPLEMENTING IN RESPONSE TO COVID-19

Amy Cummings, RTC Planning Director, gave a report on the measures that RTC is implementing in response to COVID-19.

Mark Maloney, RTC Public Transportation Director, stated that RTC continues to follow industry standards and best practices within the transportation industry.

Bill Thomas, RTC Executive Director, stated that the transit system is very important in our region and asked the committee and staff members when speaking with other people in our communities to remind them the bus system is safe to use.

On a motion by Chris Tolley and seconded by Kurt Dietrich, the committee acknowledged receipt of a report on the measures that the RTC is implementing in response to COVID-19. The motion carried unanimously.

## ITEM 9. DEVELOPMENT UPDATES

Kurt Dietrich, City of Reno Public Works, stated they are starting to see a lot of interest for development in the downtown area leading to several requests for roadway abandonment. The committee will be updated as projects come forward for review and recommendation by counsel.

Mitchell Fink, Washoe County, stated that more subdivision construction is going on now in Spanish Springs and Cold Springs.

## ITEM 10. MEMBER ITEMS

Kurt Dietrich, City of Reno Public Works, thanked RTC for commissioning the Southeast Connector speed study and recommendations as well as providing the new 55-mile per hour signage. Through the Interlocal agreement between RTC and City of Reno for signal timing, with traffic volumes down due to COVID-19, the project will focus on free-timing for now.

Tara Smaltz, NDOT, stated the work on the Spaghetti Bowl is presently mostly day work. The Parr bridge structure project on US395 will impact traffic in the North Valleys. Other ongoing projects include work on McCarran, South Virginia Street, and 4<sup>th</sup> Street.

Chris Tolley, TRMPA, stated the Daybreak appeal with the Regional Planning Governing Board will take place on June 11, 2020, in an online meeting format. The annual report process will be complete in August.

Mike Boster, Washoe County School District, stated that they are working on four new schools scheduled to be open in August 2020. In 2021, an elementary school in Cold Springs is scheduled to open. In 2022, a new Hug High School will be opening.

## ITEM 11. AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE TAC MEETINGS

There were no items given.

## ITEM 12. RTC STAFF ITEMS

Dan Doenges, RTC, stated that consideration is being given to moving the TAC Committee meeting to the first Thursday morning of the month to avoid a conflict with the City of Reno Council Meetings.

## ITEM 13. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments given.

#### ITEM 14. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at approximately 10:10 a.m.



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## AGENDA ITEM 4

**TO:** Technical Advisory Committee

- **FROM:** Daniel Doenges, PTP, RSP Planning Manager
- SUBJECT: Update on the Nevada Department of Transportation Spaghetti Bowl Xpress (SBX)

### **RECOMMENDATION**

Receive a report on the Nevada Department of Transportation Spaghetti Bowl Xpress (SBX) project.

### **SUMMARY**

NDOT has begun work on what will be one of five phases under the Spaghetti Bowl Project umbrella. Phase one, known as Spaghetti Bowl Xpress, will address one of the most congested and unsafe areas within the Spaghetti Bowl system. With the proposed Spaghetti Bowl Xpress improvements, eastbound I-80 backups approaching the exit to I-580/U.S. 395 should be greatly reduced or eliminated, and southbound I-580/U.S. 395 backups at the Spaghetti Bowl should be eliminated. Overall, freeway safety in general should improve.



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## AGENDA ITEM 5

**TO:** Technical Advisory Committee

**FROM:** Jennifer Meyers Transit Contract Administrator

## SUBJECT: Coordinated Human Services Public Transportation Plan (CTP) update

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

Acknowledge receipt of a report regarding the update of the 2015 Coordinated Human Services Public Transportation Plan (CTP).

#### **SUMMARY**

The CTP is a federally required plan that guides the use of the Federal Transit Administration's (FTA) Transportation for Elderly Persons and Persons with Disabilities program (Section 5310). The CTP is a locally developed plan that identifies the transportation needs of individuals with disabilities, seniors, and people with low incomes; provides strategies for meeting those local needs; and prioritizes transportation services and projects for funding and implementation. The current plan was approved by the Board in February, 2015, and must be updated regularly. Staff sought a qualified consultant, LSC Transportation Consultants, Inc., to prepare the 2020 update to align with future updates of the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP), and be incorporated therein.

The CTP is being updated through a public outreach process. The purpose of the CTP is to improve transportation coordination in the region for persons with disabilities, older adults, and individuals with lower incomes, and to establish funding priorities for specialized transportation services. The Plan is being developed with input from local representatives of public, private and nonprofit transportation and human services providers, as well the public, and will include specific projects eligible for funding under Section 5310.

As the designated recipient for Section 5310 funds, the RTC must certify that all projects are included in a locally developed, coordinated public transit-human service transportation plan developed and approved through a process that included participation by seniors, individuals with disabilities, representatives of public, private, and nonprofit transportation and human service providers, and other members of the public.

In light of the COVID-19 pandemic and limited restrictions on public gatherings, the RTC is collaborating with LSC to develop a public outreach plan to include a video presentation, a project focused website that will host the video presentation and other planning updates, and an online comment/feedback form for public input. Virtual meetings will also be conducted with stakeholders in the region to solicit their ideas and feedback on the CTP and transportation alternatives. Based upon feedback collected from the online survey and from stakeholder meetings, concepts for eligible Section 5310 projects will be developed for inclusion and prioritization in the plan.



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## AGENDA ITEM 6

**TO:** Technical Advisory Committee

FROM: Rebecca Kapuler Senior Planner

## SUBJECT: Vision Zero Truckee Meadows Task Force Update

## **RECOMMENDATION**

Acknowledge receipt of a report on an update of the Vision Zero Truckee Meadows Task Force.

## **SUMMARY**

Staff will provide an update on the progress of the Vision Zero Truckee Meadows Task Force. Staff will provide information on regional pedestrian safety issues as well as highlight progress made towards the Vision Zero Action Plan goals.