

**REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
CITIZENS MULTIMODAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
WEDNESDAY MAY 3, 2023**

MEMBERS PRESENT

Jeff Bonano
Sue-Ting Chene
Lindsey Costello, Chair
Damien Cole

Vince Harris
Michael May
Ann Silver, Vice Chair
Greg Newman

CMAC MEMBERS ABSENT

Dennis Colling
Paul Hewen
Benjamin Miller

David Giacomini
Mayuko Majima

RTC STAFF

Dan Doenges
Jim Gee
Xuan Wang
Jeff Wilbrecht

Ed Park
Christian Schonlau
Lolita Davis

CMAC GUEST

Cole Peiffer, Alta Planning & Design

Eric Ammerman, Tesla

ITEM 1. ROLL CALL/CALL TO ORDER

The Citizens Multimodal Advisory Committee (CMAC) meeting was conducted as a Zoom Webinar. The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Xuan Wang, RTC Senior Technical Planner.

ITEM 2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved as submitted.

ITEM 3. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no comments given.

ITEM 4. APPROVAL OF THE APRIL 5, 2023, MEETING MINUTES

The CMAC April 5, 2023, meeting minutes were approved as submitted.

ITEM 5. REVIEW A REPORT FROM THE RTC'S DIRECTOR OF FINANCE REGARDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2023 INCREASE IN THE INDEXED FUEL TAXES IN WASHOE COUNTY

Christian Schonlau, RTC Finance Director, gave a presentation on a report regarding the fiscal year 2023 increase in the indexed fuel taxes in Washoe County. A copy of the presentation is on file at the RTC Metropolitan Planning Department.

Ann Silver asked who determines the rate cap 7.8 percent. Christian Schonlau, RTC, stated the tax is statutory, voter petitioned and passed by the legislature.

Jeff Bonano made a motion to acknowledge receipt of a report from the RTC's Director of Finance regarding the fiscal year 2023 increase in the indexed fuel taxes in Washoe County.

Greg Newman seconded.

The motion carried unanimously.

ITEM 6. ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2024 RTC TENTATIVE BUDGET

Christian Schonlau, RTC Finance Director, gave a presentation on the fiscal year 2024 RTC tentative budget. A copy of the presentation is on file at the RTC Metropolitan Planning Department.

Ann Silver asked how are 1700 new jobs created. Christian Schonlau, RTC, responded that jobs are tracked through public works employment data. RTC projects presents many opportunities for laborers, equipment operators, electricians, etc. Also, there are about 300 employees with contractor Keolis which makes the number closer to 2000. Damien Cole asked if the employees transfer from one project to the next. Christian Schonlau, RTC, stated RTC does not hire directly. Contractors are responsible for the project hiring and there are instances of repeat employment but majority is unique project opportunities.

Ann Silver asked for examples of new capital investments in the community. Christian Schonlau, RTC, gave new buses, facilities improvement to Centennial and 4th Street Station, ADA improvements, pavement preservation projects, Oddie/Wells, Sky Vista and bridge improvement projects as some examples.

Jeff Bonano made a motion to acknowledge receipt of the fiscal year 2024 RTC tentative budget.

Lindsey Costello seconded.

The motion carried unanimously.

ITEM 7. ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF PRESENTATION ON THE MIDTOWN RENO POST-CONSTRUCTION EVALUATION STUDY

Jeff Wilbrecht, RTC Engineering Manager, gave a presentation on the Midtown Reno Post-Construction Evaluation Study. A copy of the PowerPoint presentation is on file at the RTC Metropolitan Planning Department.

Greg Newman commented on the reduction and amount of traffic on the Midtown Reno area and requested for a roundabout on the California Avenue area for the south bound northbound travel of the businesses concerns. A discussion continued on the Midtown Reno Post-Construction Evaluation Study. Damien Cole commented on the concerns at Midtown Reno area up to the University couplet at Sierra Street.

Damien Cole made a motion to acknowledge receipt of presentation on the Midtown Reno Post-Construction Evaluation Study.

Ann Silver seconded.

The motion carried unanimously.

ITEM 8. REVIEW A REPORT FROM THE RTC'S PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT REGARDING THE BUS STOP IMPROVEMENT AND CONNECTIVITY PROGRAM

Ed Park, RTC Senior Transit Planner, gave a presentation on the Bus Stop Improvement and Connectivity Program. A copy of the PowerPoint presentation is on file at the RTC Metropolitan Planning Department.

Lindsey Costello had comments on the project plans for irrigation dip in the north valleys area. Ed Park, Senior Transit Planner, stated the improvements were made at the last phase of the project.

Lindsey Costello made a motion to review a report from the RTC's Public Transportation Department regarding the Bus Stop Improvement and Connectivity Program.

Greg Newman seconded.

The motion carried unanimously.

ITEM 9. ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF PRESENTATION ON RTC ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION PLAN

Dan Doenges, RTC Director of Planning and Cole Peiffer from Alta Planning and Design gave a presentation on the RTC Active Transportation Plan (ATP). A copy of the PowerPoint presentation is on file at the RTC Metropolitan Planning Department.

Cole Peiffer, Alta Planning and Design shared links with more information.

<https://washoeatp.altaplanning.cloud/#/home>
<https://www.rtcwashoe.com/mpo-reports/atp/walkandroll@rtcwashoe.com>

Lindsey Costello made a motion to acknowledge receipt of presentation on RTC Active Transportation Plan.

Sue-Ting Chene seconded.

The motion carried unanimously.

ITEM 10. MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS/AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE CMAC MEETINGS

Sue-Ting Chene announced May is Bike month and shared links from the Washoe County Health District's website for Biketopia.

https://www.washoecounty.gov/health/programs-and-services/cchs/chronic-disease-prevention/PA_Nutrition/bike-month.php
<https://www.eventbrite.com/cc/biketopia-bike-month-2023-2052359>

Damien Cole announced he has t-shirts for Truckee Meadows Bicycle Alliance.

ITEM 11. RTC/RIDE/ACCESS STAFF ITEMS

Jim Gee, RTC Service Planning and Innovation Manager, announced phase 2 of the TOPS Service Plan changes will start Saturday, May 6th.

ITEM 12. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments.

ITEM 13. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:18 p.m.