



**REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION  
CITIZENS MULTIMODAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
MEETING AGENDA**

**Wednesday, November 6, 2019 at 5:30 pm  
Regional Transportation Commission  
1<sup>st</sup> Floor Conference Room  
1105 Terminal Way, Reno NV 89502**

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II. The Citizens Multimodal Advisory Committee (CMAC) has a standing item for accepting Public Comment on topics relevant to the RTC CMAC that are not included on the agenda. No action may be taken on a matter raised under this item of the agenda until the matter itself has been specifically included on an agenda as an item upon which action will be taken. For specific items on the CMAC agenda, public comment will be taken at the time the item is discussed. Individuals providing public comment will be limited to three minutes. Individuals acting as a spokesperson for a group may request additional time. Individuals will be expected to provide public input in a professional and constructive manner. Attempts to present public input in a disruptive manner will not be allowed. Remarks will be addressed to the CMAC as a whole and not to individual members.

III. The CMAC 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.

**ITEM 1** Approval of Agenda (*For Possible Action*)

**ITEM 2** Public Comment - *please read paragraph II near the top of this page*

**ITEM 3** Approval of the September 4, 2019 Meeting Minutes (*For Possible Action*)

**ITEM 4** Acknowledge Receipt of a Presentation on the South Meadows Multimodal Transportation Study (*For Possible Action*)

**ITEM 5** Acknowledge Receipt of a Report on the Draft 2050 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) Development Schedule (*For Possible Action*)

**ITEM 6** Reports (*Written reports only unless Committee wishes discussion*)

- a. RTC Board Minutes
- b. Engineering Department Monthly Report
- c. Public Transportation and Operations Department Monthly Report
- d. Planning Department Report
- e. Procurement Report
- f. Administrative Services Activity Report

**ITEM 7** Member Announcements/Agenda Items for Future CMAC Meetings (*For Possible Action*)

**ITEM 8** RTC/RIDE/ACCESS Staff Items (*Informational Only*)

**ITEM 9** Public Comment - *please read paragraph II near the top of this page*

**ITEM 10** Adjournment (*For Possible Action*)

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

**REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION  
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Meeting Minutes**

**Wednesday, September 4, 2019**

**CMAC Members Present**

Chun (Alan) Chao  
Vince Harris  
Chair, Molly O'Brien  
Paul Malikowski  
Scot A. Munns  
Suraj P. Verma

Laura Azzam  
Mark Tadder  
Rudy Leon  
Harvey Katz  
Vice-Chair, Jeff Bonano

**CMAC Members Absent**

Majima Mayuko  
Sigurd Jaunarajs

Dora Uchel

**RTC Staff**

Dan Doenges  
Rebecca Kapuler  
Jacqueline Maldonado

David Carr  
Michael Dulude

**CMAC Guest**

Jillian Keller, Reno Bike Project  
Stephanie Chen, WCSD

Twyla Lemay, Public  
Robert Mulvana, Reno Citizens  
Advisory Committee

The Citizens Multimodal Advisory Committee (CMAC) met in the RTC 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Conference Room, 1105 Terminal Way, Reno, Nevada. The meeting was called to order at 5:31 p.m. by the Chair, Molly O'Brien.

**ITEM 1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

The agenda was approved as submitted.

**ITEM 2. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Ms. Stephanie Chen, at present representing, the Washoe County School District, gave a public comment of she will be attending the RTC TAC meetings for current activities of the environment transportation.

Mr. Robert Mulvana, at present representing, the Reno Citizens Advisory Committee, had comments about weapons concerns and he gave a handout of an email from the City of Reno, mayor's office.

**ITEM 3. APPROVAL OF THE AUGUST 7, 2019 MEETING MINUTES**

The minutes of the CMAC meeting August 7, 2019, were approved as corrected.

**ITEM 4. RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF THE FFY 2020-2024 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM**

Dan Doenges, RTC Planning Manager briefed the committee on the FFY 2020-2024 Regional Transportation Improvement Program which, will go the RTC Board on September 20, 2019, for approval. He stated comments were received from the Washoe County Health District for the Ozone status. A copy of the PowerPoint presentation is on file at the RTC Metropolitan Planning Department.

Scot A. Munns asked about the submittal of comments online for the FFY 2020-2024 RTIP document. Dan Doenges, RTC Planning Manager stated at the RTC website and directly to him for the FFY 2024 RTIP 21 day public comment period. There was no discussion.

Harvey Katz made a motion to recommend approval of the FFY 2020-2024 Regional Transportation Improvement Program.

Vice-Chair, Jeff Bonano seconded.

The motion carried unanimously.

**ITEM 5. ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF A REPORT ON THE RTC PROJECT PRIORITIZATION FRAMEWORK**

Dan Doenges, Planning manager gave a presentation on the RTC Project Prioritization Framework. A copy of the PowerPoint presentation is on file at the RTC Metropolitan Planning Department. He then asked if there any questions.

Scot A. Munns asked about the Sierra Street projects listed in the Large and Small list from the PowerPoint presentation and also asked about the cross signal at I-80 street area projects.

Dan Doenges, RTC Planning Manager stated the projects listed in the large projects are bridge replacement projects and the small projects are at Sierra Street to Ninth Street to Virginia Street and also we are looking into implementing a 2-way cycle track and sidewalk improvements and the I-80 area improvement projects are from Riverside Drive to the University Terrace.

Mark Tadder asked about the bridge project scores on Sierra Street. Dan Doenges, RTC Planning Manager stated the scores don't reflect the infrastructure scores that the bridge is rated against and NDOT provides the rates and scores for structural proficiencies.

Suraj P. Verma made a motion to acknowledge receipt of report on the RTC project prioritization framework.

Scot A. Munns seconded.

The motion carried unanimously.

**ITEM 6. ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF A PRESENTATION ON THE ADA TRANSITION PLAN UPDATE**

Rebecca Kapuler, RTC Senior Planner gave a presentation on the ADA Transition Plan Update. A copy of the PowerPoint presentation is on file at the RTC Metropolitan Planning Department. The draft plan is on the RTC website for feedback. She then asked if there were questions and there were no questions given.

Laura Azzam made a motion to acknowledge receipt of a presentation on the ADA Transition Plan Update.

Mark Tadder seconded.

## **ITEM 7. REPORTS**

There were comments given on the RTC Board Minutes for the recognition of the Sparks' Mayor Ron Smith's 70<sup>th</sup> Birthday.

## **ITEM 8. MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS/AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE CMAC MEETINGS**

Laura Azzam had comments on the multimodal projects and commented the green space at Victorian Avenue in the City Sparks and she had concerns on the wide sloping curbs and requested different curb shapes for an improvement project. Dan Doenges, RTC Planning Manager stated he will contact the City of Sparks. A discussion continued.

Mark Tadder asked about the RTC FlexRIDE service app and would like to assist with the app's ADA accessible. Michael Dulude, RTC Transit/Planner Scheduler stated he will give the information to Ed Park, RTC Transit Planner to contact him.

Vice-Chair, Jeff Bonano commended on the RTC transportation for the Best in the West Nugget Rib Cook-Off event and also announced he received feedback from the National Judicial College employees at the UNR campus which, they commended the RTC Sierra Spirit transit service and he stated that they commended the service was beneficial and hoping of transportation availability soon. He also gave comments on a new mural at the Keystone underpass and to go view the mural.

Paul Malikowski asked about the scooters coordination with the Cities of Reno and Sparks plan/studies. Dan Doenges, RTC Planning Manager gave an update on the contracted company for the studies and the safety concerns on the electric scooters and Rebecca Kapuler, RTC Senior Planner stated Bantum Strategies is contracted for the studies on the electric scooters. A discussion continued on the electric scooters.

Chair, Molly O'Brien announced that there is a Nevada Truck Traffic Safety Summit coming up in October 14-17, 2019 and she will give the link to Dan Doenges, RTC Planning Manager to give to the committee.

## **ITEM 9. RTC/RIDE/ACCESS STAFF ITEMS**

Dan Doenges, RTC Planning Manager announced the RTC Affordable Housing Study on September 12, 2019, at the McKinley Arts Center from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. He also announced the RTC's MPO Certification review meeting on Tuesday, September 24, 2019, at 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. and a CMAC agenda item will be given following the MPO Certification review.

Michael Dulude, RTC Transit/Planner Scheduler announced the microtransit service and the RTC RIDE Route 25 and 26 service changes and updates to the transit service. He stated that there is upcoming marketing information and will be distributed within the next 2 months. He stated the RTC Sierra Spirit was replaced with the RTC UNR-Midtown Direct service and gave updates on the service changes which, he stated are similar to the RTC Sierra Spirit. He stated on November 2, 2019, RTC RIDE Route 9 will be re-routed.

Vice-Chair, Jeff Bonano requested a current map or route schedule to view on the Midtown Direct service. Michael Dulude, RTC Transit/Planner Scheduler stated he will give a copy of a marketing piece to Dan Doenges, RTC Planning Manager, to give to the CMAC committee.

Harvey Katz asked if the information on the transit service changes were online. Michael Dulude, RTC Transit/Planner stated the service changes are on the RTC website. Mark Tadder asked about the costs for the service and the on time performance. Michael Dulude, RTC Transit/Planner Scheduler stated that the Midtown Direct service fare is the standard RTC RIDE fare and the on time performance is at around 92 percent.

Laura Azzam asked about the route detours for the Midtown Direct service and Michael Dulude, RTC Transit/Planner Scheduler stated the detours are due to the RTC Virginia Street Project construction, he stated the RTC UNR Midtown Direct service will change and update when the RTC Virginia Line RAPID is extended to the University which, is in early 2021.

**ITEM 10. PUBLIC COMMENT**

There were no public comments given.

**ITEM 11. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 6:29 p.m.



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**AGENDA ITEM 4**

**TO:** Citizens Multimodal Advisory Committee

**FROM:** Xuan Wang  
RTC Project Manager

**SUBJECT: South Meadows Multimodal Transportation Study**

**RECOMMENDATION**

Acknowledge receipt of a presentation on the South Meadows Multimodal Transportation Study

**SUMMARY**

Staff will provide the Committee with an overview and status update on the South Meadows Multimodal Transportation Study.

The South Meadows area is a growing part of our community and the RTC is conducting a study to assess potential transportation needs to accommodate this growth. The South Meadows Multimodal Transportation Study started in December 2018. This multimodal study focuses on traffic operations, safety, pedestrian and bicycle connectivity, and transit service needs. The study analyzes a number of different factors moving forward, including analyzing traffic patterns and transit use, looking at land-use data and zoning information and analyzing pedestrian and bicycle movements. Study results will help prioritize improvements.

The project team collaborates with stakeholders and involves the general public during the 12-month study period through project Citizens Multimodal Advisory Committee meetings and various outreach events. The first public meeting for the project was held on March 26<sup>th</sup> at Damonte Ranch High School. The second public meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 5, 2019, at Zeppelin restaurant, located at 1445 South Meadows Parkway in Reno.





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**AGENDA ITEM 5**

**TO:** Citizens Multimodal Advisory Committee

**FROM:** Amy Cummings, AICP, LEED AP  
Director of Planning/Deputy Executive Director

**SUBJECT: Draft 2050 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) Development Schedule**

**RECOMMENDATION**

Acknowledge receipt of a report on the draft 2050 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) Development Schedule.

**SUMMARY**

Staff has begun to have internal meetings in preparation for the development of the 2050 RTP. Staff has created a draft schedule highlighting project milestones for the 2050 RTP, including agency, stakeholder, and public meetings; completion of significant RTP analyses; and a proposed RTP completion date. Staff will solicit any advisory committee comments prior to presenting the draft schedule to the RTC Board.

Attachment



**REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION  
WASHOE COUNTY, NEVADA**

**FRIDAY**

**9:01 A.M.**

**August 16, 2019**

**PRESENT:**

**Bob Lucey, Washoe County Commissioner, Chairman  
Neoma Jardon, Reno City Council Member, Vice Chair  
Vaughn Hartung, Washoe County Commissioner  
Bonnie Weber, Reno City Council Member (Alternate, arrived 9:04)  
Ron Smith, Sparks City Council Member (departed 10:13)**

**Lee G. Gibson, RTC Executive Director  
Dale Ferguson, Legal Counsel  
Kristina Swallow, Director of NDOT**

**NOT PRESENT:**

**Oscar Delgado, Reno City Council Member**

The regular monthly meeting, held in the Chambers of the Washoe County Commission, 1001 E. 9<sup>th</sup> Street, Reno, Nevada, was called to order by Chairman Lucey. Following the roll call and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of our country, the Board conducted the following business:

**SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS, RECOGNITIONS, OTHER**

**RECOGNITION OF THE RTC BY THE HOT AUGUST NIGHTS (HAN) ORGANIZATION FOR SUPPORT AND PARTNERSHIP TO PROVIDE THE COMMUNITY TRANSIT SERVICE TO THE HAN EVENTS - *Item pulled***

**RECOGNITION OF THE RTC BY RENO FOOD SYSTEMS FOR SUPPORT AND PARTNERSHIP TO PROVIDE THE COMMUNITY TRANSIT SERVICE TO THE RENO GARLIC FEST**

Mr. Michael Moreno, RTC Public Affairs Manager, introduced Rebekah Stetson who represents the organization.

Ms. Stetson said this was the 3<sup>rd</sup> year for the Reno Garlic Festival and there were 4,000 participants this year. In order to hold the event in Pat Baker Park, it was vital to use an RTC park and ride program.

She then said it is always amazing to work with the RTC and Michael Moreno and things always flow very easily.

***Item 1        APPROVAL OF AGENDA***

On motion of Vice Chair Jardon, seconded by Commissioner Hartung, which motion unanimously carried, Chairman Lucey ordered that the agenda for this meeting be approved.

***Item 2.1      PUBLIC INPUT***

Chairman Lucey opened the meeting to public input and called on anyone wishing to speak on topics relevant to the Regional Transportation Commission (RTC) that are not included in the current agenda.

Ms. Amy Dewitt-Smith, representing Neighbor Network of Northern Nevada (N4), addressed the Board to discuss an inclusive transportation planning project funded by the Administration for Community Living. This project engages people with disabilities, older adults and their care partners and other stakeholders. Their purpose is to discuss ways to fill transportation gaps in the community. They would like to start a Statewide Transportation Association as Nevada is one of the few states who do not already have one. They would also like to provide an “information highway” to provide information on what transportation services and programs are available. She would like to talk to business leaders about a Ride with Me Day program.

Ms. Jocelyn Seemann, representing Neighbor Network of Northern Nevada (N4) and Ms. Twyla Lemay, local resident, addressed the Board and further explained the Ride with Me program as a program pairing a public official with an older adult or a person with a disability to use public transportation together in the manner the older adult or person with a disability normally does. The hope is to foster communication between their members and officials to improve the accessibility of existing systems. Ms. Lemay fully supports a Ride with Me Day program.

Mr. Ryan Kinney, local resident, addressed the Board to request some type of signal at Pyramid and Holman Way. He also mentioned that the ACCESS drivers are usually 15 – 20 minutes late so the purchase of additional paratransit vehicles on the agenda for this day is a great idea. Lastly, he would like RTC staff to personally speak with visually impaired people about how exactly place the new markers on bus stops.

Mr. Juan Martinez and his fiancé, Ms. Dora Uchel, addressed the Board to mention they had a scheduled trip with ACCESS, so as they were told to do, waited for the phone call letting them know when the driver was there. They never received a call and when they followed up with ACCESS, they were told the driver said he/she was knocking at their door but no one actually knocked at the door.

Dora would also like the RTC to try to enforce the use of leashes or carriers to restrain aggressive dogs. She also said the agenda packet was not available for ADA readers online.

There being no one else wishing to speak, the Chair closed public input.

***Item 2.2      ADVISORY COMMITTEES SUMMARY REPORT***

On motion of Mayor Smith, seconded by Commissioner Hartung, which motion unanimously carried, Chairman Lucey ordered that receipt of the monthly Summary Report for the Technical, Citizens Multimodal and Regional Road Impact Fee Advisory Committees be acknowledged.

***Item 3.1 thru 3.17    CONSENT ITEMS***

Vice Chair Jardon made a motion to pull Item 3.5 for discussion and approve the remainder of the items. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hartung and upon a vote, passed unanimously.

***Minutes***

**3.1    Approve the minutes of the July 19, 2019, meeting (*For Possible Action*)**

***Engineering***

**3.2    Acknowledge receipt of the monthly Engineering Activity Report (*For Possible Action*)**

***Public Transportation/Operations***

**3.3    Acknowledge receipt of the monthly Public Transportation/Operations Report (*For Possible Action*)**

***Planning***

**3.4    Acknowledge receipt of the monthly Planning Activity Report (*For Possible Action*)**

**3.5    Approve the following projects for the Federal Fiscal Year 2019 Transportation Alternatives (TA) Set-Aside Program as recommended by the Technical Advisory Committee and Citizens Multimodal Advisory Committee (CMAC):**

- **Regional Traffic Calming: \$34,000 each for Washoe County, City of Sparks and City of Reno (\$102,000 total)**
- **Bus Stop ADA Signage & Markers for Visually Impaired Customers: \$34,000 for RTC Transit**

***\*\*Item pulled for discussion\*\****

Ms. Amy Cummings, RTC Deputy Executive Director and Director of Planning, addressed the Board to explain that the funding discussed in Item 3.5 is left over from a project that was not able to move forward, so there was an additional call for projects for this funding. Two applications were received as noted in the recommendation; however, she believes the earlier public comments by Mr. Kinney were pertaining to the ADA signage and markers. This project came out of the ADA Transition Plan because some of the fonts on the current bus stop signs are too small for the height at which they are posted, so the concept is to have a smaller placard midway down the pole with larger fonts which will further distinguish a bus stop pole from another type of pole. Ed Park is the RTC Project Manager.

Vice Chair Jardon asked if any particular group was consulted with pertaining to the signage improvements.

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Ms. Cumming said it was discussed at the RTC Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) meeting. This item is only to identify the funding, so as staff moves forward they will do additional outreach with customers and in particular, the customers in attendance today.

On motion of Vice Chair Jardon, seconded by Commissioner Weber, which motion carried unanimously, Chairman Lucey ordered that Consent Items 3.5 be approved.

***Administration***

**3.6 Acknowledge receipt of the monthly Procurement Activity Report (*For Possible Action*)**

***Procurement and Contracts***

**3.7 Approve the purchase of fifteen (15) CNG paratransit vehicles utilizing the State of Nevada Fleet Vehicles procurement contract number 99SWC-S490 in the amount of \$2,165,937 (*For Possible Action*)**

**3.8 Approve a Professional Services Agreement (PSA) with Stantec Consulting Services, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$199,984 for consulting services on the Eagle Canyon Extension Alignment Alternatives and Planning and Environmental Linkages (PEL) Study; authorize the RTC Executive Director to execute the agreement (*For Possible Action*)**

**3.9 Approve the revised Section 5310 grant agreement with Neighbor Network of Northern Nevada (N4) in the amount of \$221,403; authorize RTC Executive Director to execute the agreement (*For Possible Action*)**

**3.10 Approve Amendment No. 1 to the existing Professional Services Agreement (PSA) between the RTC and Wood Rodgers, Inc. for engineering services during construction related to the Reno Consolidated 19-02 - North Hills Boulevard, and Hunter Lake Drive Intersection Project in the amount of \$54,445 for a new not to exceed amount of \$538,550; authorize the RTC Executive Director to execute the amendment (*For Possible Action*)**

**3.11 Approve Amendment No. 1 to the existing Professional Services Agreement (PSA) between the RTC and CFA, Inc. for additional final design and construction services related to utility work on 15<sup>th</sup> and C Street and increased grind/overlay quantities on El Rancho for the Sparks Consolidated 19-01 - 15<sup>th</sup> Street, Franklin Way, Hulda Court, and El Rancho Drive Project, in the amount of \$27,962 for a new not to exceed amount of \$420,943; authorize the RTC Executive Director to execute the Amendment (*For Possible Action*)**

**3.12 Approve a Professional Services Agreement (PSA) with Lumos & Associates, Inc. (“Lumos”) to provide design services and optional engineering during construction for the Golden Valley Road Rehab – Yorkshire Drive to North Virginia Street Project in an amount not to exceed \$266,685; authorize the RTC Executive Director to execute the agreement (*For Possible Action*)**

**3.13 Approve a Professional Services Agreement (PSA) with Eastern Sierra Engineering, P.C. to provide design services and optional engineering during construction for the Lakeside Drive Rehab Project in an amount not to exceed \$561,260; authorize the RTC Executive Director to execute the agreement (*For Possible Action*)**

**3.14 Approve an Administrative Settlement of \$125,000 above the just compensation of \$1,375,000 representing a total settlement offer of \$1,500,000 for the full fee simple**

acquisition of the parcel known as APN 007-183-11 with Bajwa Properties, LLC – Co-Ed Lodge Series, necessary to construct the Virginia Street Bus RAPID Transit (BRT) Extension Project (*For Possible Action*)

- 3.15 Approve an Administrative Settlement of \$105,000 above the just compensation of \$1,215,000 representing a total settlement offer of \$1,320,000 for the full fee simple acquisition of the parcel known as APN 007-183-12 with Ross Rentals, LTD., necessary to construct the Virginia Street Bus RAPID Transit (BRT) Extension Project (*For Possible Action*)
- 3.16 Approve Amendment #2 to the service agreement with Trane US Inc. to provide heating, ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC) preventive maintenance services in an amount not to exceed \$16,549; authorize the RTC Executive Director to execute the amendment (*For Possible Action*)

***Inter-Agency Agreements***

- 3.17 Approve an Interlocal Cooperative Agreement (ICA) between the RTC and the City of Reno for the inclusion of requested enhancements to Virginia Street during the construction of the Virginia Street Bus RAPID Transit (BRT) Extension Project. Funding for the enhancements to be provided by the City of Reno in an amount not to exceed \$222,600; authorize the RTC Executive Director to execute the agreement (*For Possible Action*)

***\*\*Motion precedes Item 3.1\*\****

***Item 4.1 thru 4.3 DIRECTOR REPORTS***

**Item 4.1 RTC Executive Director Report**

Executive Director (E.D.) Lee Gibson spoke briefly on the following topics, some of which were upcoming at the time of this meeting:

1. Keolis Performance Update:
  - July 2019 Keolis' first month of operation had a 2.5% overall increase in RIDE ridership, system wide, versus July 2018. This is the first increase in ridership in 13 months.
  - On-Time performance for July 2019 was 92.6% versus 90.0% for July 2018
  - Keolis had 23 valid complaints for the month versus 39 for July 2018, which represents a 41% decrease in valid complaints.
  - Keolis delivered more than 99.99% of scheduled service for the month.
  - Keolis had 65 missed trips for the month versus 431 missed trips for July 2018, representing an 85% decrease in missed trips.
2. The RTC continues to build partnerships with local organizations to support regional events to provide transit service to special events.

In continuing efforts to increase transit ridership, transit service will be offered on Route 7 to the Reno Air Races Community Take-Off Celebration on September 7<sup>th</sup> and to the Air Races which start the following week.

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RTC will partner again with The Nugget to provide bus shuttle service for the Best in The West Rib Cook-off and will, again, offer transit service on the new “UNR to Midtown Direct” line to the UNR Wolf Pack home football games.

Details and route schedules will be announced in this month’s eNews Board Update; also at [www.RTCWashoe.com](http://www.RTCWashoe.com) and on RTC’s social media channels.

3. The start of the new UNR to Midtown Direct route which will begin August 25<sup>th</sup> was announced. The new route replaces the Sierra Spirit service and will be temporary until the RAPID Virginia Line extension to UNR begins and when the Virginia Street project is completed.

Free rides will be offered on the UNR to Midtown Direct from August 25<sup>th</sup> through September 8<sup>th</sup>. On September 9<sup>th</sup>, regular RIDE fares will become effective. For more information visit RTC’s website and follow us on social media.

4. Last week, the California Keystone improvements, which began on June 10<sup>th</sup>, were completed. The project improves safety and access for drivers, bicyclists and pedestrians, with wider sidewalks, the addition of new pedestrian ramps at the intersection, and access for everyone in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act.

These neighborhood enhancements have been well received by the community and represent a \$2.8 million investment in our community. Thank you to SNC.

5. On September 12<sup>th</sup>, the RTC will host a community open house and meeting for the RTC Affordable Housing Study at the McKinley Arts & Culture Center at 4 pm, with a presentation at 5 pm.

The public is invited to attend the meeting to give input to identify opportunities for affordable housing near transit routes. Please join us for a discussion on this critical need in our community. The 5 pm presentation will be livestreamed on RTC’s Facebook page.

6. A 21-Day Public Comment Participation Period begins on August 30, 2019, and ends on September 19, 2019, for the Federal Fiscal Year 2020 through 2024 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (the RTIP), which was developed in accordance with the Fixing America’s Surface Transportation (FAST) Act.

A copy of the RTIP is available for viewing and comment during regular business hours at the RTC Planning Office at 1105 Terminal Way, Suite 211, in Reno. The document is also available at [www.RTCWashoe.com](http://www.RTCWashoe.com). Comments can also be mailed to: RTC Planning Offices, 1105 Terminal Way, Suite 211, Reno, NV 89502. Additional ways to provide comment are available on our website.



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7. Shared Federal Framework update. The RTC had strong participation from local entities and agencies from across the region and there was a wide ranging discussion on federal policy issues. This will be a future agenda item.
8. The October Board meeting date will be change and if there is a transit workshop, it will take place in October as well.

Commissioner Hartung requested an update on Lemmon Valley Drive and E.D. Gibson responded that an agreement with Jacobs Engineering for preliminary engineering, NEPA and design/build procurement services would be brought to the Board for approval in September.

Commissioner Hartung then asked what the status is for the stoplight requested at Egyptian, Sunset and Pyramid.

Mr. Brian Stewart, RTC Director of Engineering, addressed the Board and said staff is still working with NDOT and Washoe County to get the infrastructure installed for the light.

#### **Item 4.2 RTC Federal Report**

A written update is available in the staff report materials for this item and E.D. Gibson introduced Ms. Anja Graves, President of Cardinal Infrastructure, and Congressman Jon Porter, President of Porter Group, LLC, both federal lobbyists on behalf of the RTC of Washoe County's interests.

Ms. Graves addressed the Board and provided her update, saying that the Senate Environment and Public Works Committee unanimously passed a highway portion of a Surface Transportation and Reauthorization bill which increases highway spending approximately 27%; unfortunately, no funding has been identified to pay for it.

She went on to say that the RTC successfully advocated to expand the Safe Routes to Schools Program which adds funding for the increased safety of high school students.

Ms. Graves continued, providing information on a potential gas tax increase, continuing resolutions, etc. She added that a budget deal was passed prior to the fall recess so now the house and the senate will need to work on a mutually agreed upon spending plan.

Mr. Porter then addressed the Board and said the government affairs team meets every week for a minimum of an hour, via conference call, to discuss everything going on with the RTC and government happenings which may have an effect on us. He continued with information on what's occurring in the current political environment. He said that republicans and democrats actually work very well together, despite what's shown or heard in the news. He added that the Shared Federal Framework meeting the previous day was very successful in their discussions of community and region-wide issues that need to be addressed.

Lastly, Mr. Porter expressed how spoiled Nevadans were before Senator Reid had retired because he accomplished so many great things for our state. Then Mr. Porter spoke of the great qualities our current delegation has and that they are working very hard for their constituents, even in this difficult environment.

### **Item 4.3 NDOT Director Report**

NDOT Director Kristina Swallow provided a brief update on the I-80 pavement reconstruction project, saying final striping should be completed by the end of September.

She also discussed the Kietzke and 2<sup>nd</sup> Street projects, which focus mainly on bike lanes and mobility improvements. The Kietzke project is complete and 2<sup>nd</sup> Street should be complete in two or three weeks.

Mayor Smith asked if there is any possibility to add a flasher at the sidewalk near Pyramid and Tyler Way as it is a very dangerous traffic area. Ms. Swallow said she would check into that for the Mayor.

Commissioner Hartung mentioned again that the warning lights for upcoming signals are all flashing except for the newest lights which do not flash. They should be consistent.

Commissioner Hartung also brought up the difficulties that someone towing a very large trailer has turning south on Pyramid from Egyptian.

Chairman Lucey asked what the status is on the Mt. Rose Highway safety improvements and would like an update brought to a future meeting. He would also like to discuss what the state priorities are for NDOT and the Governor.

Ms. Swallow said the implementation of the One Nevada Plan is on their next agenda for approval.

### ***Item 5.1 thru 5.2 METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION***

#### **5.1 Receive a report on the NDOT Spaghetti Bowl Project and provide input accordingly – no action required**

Ms. Jenica Keller, NDOT Project Manager, addressed the Board to provide a presentation update on the Spaghetti Bowl and Spaghetti Bowl Express projects. She said a phasing plan has been developed to complete this project over the next 20 years. She then went over the timing of each phase as follows:

Phase 1 (Spaghetti Bowl Xpress):

- Phase 1A (2020-2020)
- Phase 1B (2021-2023)

Phase 2 (2024-2028)

Phase 3 (2028-2034)

Phase 4 (2035-2037)

Phase 5 (2037-2039)

Ms. Keller also provided information on what will occur during each phase. She made it very clear that even though there is a delay in the start of the project no resources are being reallocated.

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*(A full copy of this presentation may be obtained by contacting Denise Thompson - [dthompson@rtcwashoe.com](mailto:dthompson@rtcwashoe.com))*

Chairman Lucey stated that he had received public comment requests on this topic, so opened the meeting to public input and called on the following:

Mr. Craig Madole, representing AGC, thanked the RTC for their ongoing commitment to this project and suggested that the money which was being provided to NDOT toward this project be allocated to another project which would put more people to work in the current building season.

Mr. Andrew Diss, representing the Grand Sierra Resort (GSR), expressed the GSR's concern about this first delay and that it may lead to additional delays on this project. The other gaming properties in the region also have concerns.

He reminded staff that the area around the Spaghetti Bowl is one of the most dangerous in the state. Mr. Diss also brought up the continued growth in the area and how the Spaghetti Bowl affects not only Reno/Sparks, but also businesses in Storey County and other areas in the region.

Mr. Paul McKenzie, representing the building trades, expressed his frustration over these delays, adding that NDOT had promised a schedule for this project and while he sat on the Reno City Council, the Council members made decisions about development requests that were based upon that schedule. There is now one developer that can't build for approximately another five years based upon this change to the schedule and there will be an economic impact as well. This project was the number one priority in the state and now it's on the back burner which will only increase expenses on the project.

Mr. Scott Fullerton, representing Operating Engineers Local #3, expressed the union's concern over these delays because construction will slow down in the region and their members are depending on this project for continued, stable employment.

There being no one else wishing to speak, public input was closed.

Vice Chair Jardon said the Spaghetti Bowl became a topic of discussion approximately seven years prior (she then asked for this to be a standing monthly item going forward) and the RTC made it a regional priority because the gridlock and lack of safety are only going to grow. She added that she understands that the bids came in higher than expected, but construction costs are growing at about 5% annualized – so \$16 million over a two year delay. Additionally, per volume, the Spaghetti Bowl is the highest crash location in the entire state. First responders are also spending an inordinate amount of time and money in this one location.

Commissioner Hartung agreed with the Vice Chair and truly believes (guarantees) that if this project were in Las Vegas, it would not be on a 20-year time phase. This project is imperative for our community.

Ms. Keller responded that this project is still the highest priority and utility relocations will begin in 2021 to get that work out of the way to make for a smoother Phase 1B.

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Commissioner Weber, thanked everyone, staff and the public speakers, for standing their ground on this project and believes this is an emergency project that must be completed now.

Chairman Lucey said that this project should have taken place 10 years ago instead of waiting until after the problems and accidents have occurred. This project needs to be completed sooner than the timeline states.

Both Chairman Lucey and Commissioner Hartung believe that the state funds flow freely to Clark County as compared to Washoe County.

Commissioner Weber wants to know what everyone can do now to get this project moving.

Vice Chair Jardon said it feels like seven years of forward movement has all been for nothing and every delay is costing more and more tax payer money.

NDOT Director Swallow said the entire team is also frustrated with the situation but they must also be good stewards of the tax payer money. She also said that if award had gone through, design would still need to be done. However, it is being designed now and is on track.

Commissioner Weber said she thinks there should be a specific plan and considers this an emergency for the region. We cannot continue to put this off.

Commissioner Hartung said that promises were made and they, in-turn, made promises to their constituents. Now those promises must be revised and asks that NDOT not go back on those promises.

### **5.2 Receive a presentation on the NDOT US 395 North Valleys Improvement Project – *no action required***

Mr. Nick Johnson, NDOT Project Manager, addressed the Board to provide a presentation update, saying that this project is still moving forward. The goal for the first phase is to get as far north as the budget will allow and it's looking like it will be somewhere between Golden Valley and Lemmon Drive, but it may be a Phase 2 or a stand-alone project. He then quickly went over the entire project scope, saying that final design is progressing. Because the SBX project was moved out a year, this project is also being moved out a year. He then offered to answer any questions. *(A full copy of this presentation may be obtained by contacting Denise Thompson - [dthompson@rtcwashoe.com](mailto:dthompson@rtcwashoe.com))*

Commissioner Hartung asked for confirmation that both the bid and construction will begin in 2023. Mr. Johnson confirmed. Commissioner Hartung then expressed his frustration with all the delays on these very important projects.

Commissioner Weber said she feels like everyone has been lied to and she was quite emotional about the whole thing.

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Vice Chair Jardon asked if this presentation is different than what was presented at a Neighborhood Advisory Board (NAB) meeting a couple of weeks ago. Mr. Johnson confirmed it has changed and there have been several adjustments in the past year. Everything has been pushed out about a year because of the SBX delays and the reason is that they don't want both projects to occur at the same time because there would be significant lane closures, cones and possibly overlapping contracts.

Chairman Lucey asked if the funding has been an issue.

Mr. Johnson said because costs are going up, staff will need to make potential adjustments where needed due to the project delay.

Chairman Lucey wants to make sure conversations occur with local government to ensure funding will be available for the project when it is time to proceed.

Director Swallow reiterated NDOT's commitment to both this and the Spaghetti Bowl project. She will bring the approved financial split amounts to the September meeting to share with the Commission, adding that all of this is part of the One Nevada Plan.

Commissioner Hartung suggested that instead of waiting for the SBX project to begin, they should just build the North Valleys portion first. Just get it done.

Commissioner Weber agrees with Commissioner Hartung that the North Valleys project should come first.

*\*\*Mayor Smith departed the meeting\*\**

***Item 6.1 thru 6.2 ENGINEERING***

**6.1 Acknowledge receipt of the Virginia Street Bus RAPID Transit (BRT) Extension monthly progress report (*For Possible Action*)**

Mr. Brian Stewart, RTC Director of Engineering, addressed the Board to give a presentation update on the project, as set forth in the briefing materials for this agenda item. He said we are about two months into the construction of the project and there is something new to see, literally every day. He then provided a bit of detail on portions of the project that have been completed or will begin shortly. The execution of the Small Starts Grant, which was already awarded, is anticipated in September.

There was a tour given of the Cheney Street businesses for the public and there are still significant business support plans occurring and weekly updates are ongoing. The office trailer that was at the project was not used as anticipated, so it will no longer be manned as of September; however, there will still be boards there to provide information to the public. He then offered to answer any questions. (*A full copy of this presentation may be obtained by contacting Denise Thompson - [dthompson@rtcwashoe.com](mailto:dthompson@rtcwashoe.com)*)

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Vice Chair Jardon said she has not been getting complaints and concerns coming to her, so the project seems to be going great! She then asked for the status of the informational videos which were discussed at the previous Board meeting.

Mr. Michael Moreno, RTC Public Affairs Manager, said staff is still working on that production and our project is being balanced with many other projects that Mr. Evans has. There is now a 30-second spot airing on KOLO TV, along with social media. The message continues to be in support of Midtown businesses and how to get around the construction occurring. It looks like there will be a block party on St. Lawrence Avenue and the RTC is supporting that event as well. He then thanked involved parties for their continued participation and support.

Commissioner Hartung said that the business owners on Cheney would love to see Cheney either closed off or be turned into a one-way road. He added that business was “hopping” for a Thursday night!

Chairman Lucey asked when construction of the round-a-bout at Mary Street will begin and Mr. Stewart responded that it will start just after winter, into the spring.

Chairman Lucey said this project will be iconic.

On motion of Commissioner Hartung, seconded by Vice Chair Jardon, which motion carried unanimously, Chairman Lucey ordered receipt of the report be acknowledged.

**6.2 Acknowledge receipt of the Bus Stop Improvement and Connectivity Program (Bus Stop ICP) progress report (*For Possible Action*)**

Ms. Judy Tortelli, RTC Project Manager, addressed the Board to provide a presentation update on the Bus Stop Improvement and Connectivity Program, as set forth in the briefing materials for this item. She first said that over 100 of RTC’s initial bus stops have been field reviewed and of those 100 bus stops, 60% design has been completed for over 60 of them. Some of the stops require permitting so will be put toward the end of the project so they don’t delay the rest. The biggest issues have been right-of-way and schedule. The right-of-way need for these original 100 bus stops is greater than anticipated and right-of-way will take 6-9 months to complete. She then reviewed some specific stops, showing a few of the items that must be completed for improvement and ADA accessibility. She then offered to answer any questions. (*A full copy of this presentation may be obtained by contacting Denise Thompson - [dthompson@rtcwashoe.com](mailto:dthompson@rtcwashoe.com)*)

Vice Chair Jardon asked what does it “mean” to the rider that there will be a bus stop improvement.

Ms. Tortelli said that to the rider it means the pad will be improved to be ADA accessible, so 5x8 at a minimum, and will also maintain connectivity to the nearest intersection, which means an ADA compliant path to the closest intersection. There will be a separate transit project for adding amenities, such as benches.

Chairman Lucey asked if any of the stops that are planned for potential removal for microtransit replacement are being improved.

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Ms. Tortelli said those have been put on the back burner for now, pending the success of the microtransit program.

Chairman Lucey asked if this is just the first round or will this be it.

Ms. Tortelli responded that this is the first round as there were over 600 stops that do not currently have an ADA compliant pad. The first 100 were chosen based on ridership.

Commissioner Lucey would like to see the RTC being more proactive rather than reactive.

On motion of Vice Chair Jardon, seconded by Commissioner Hartung, which motion carried unanimously, Chairman Lucey ordered receipt of the report be acknowledged.

***Item 7.1 thru 7.2 GENERAL ADMINISTRATION***

**7.1 Set Executive Director Lee Gibson's goals for fiscal year 2020 (*For Possible Action*)**

Ms. Angela Reich, RTC Administrative Services Director, addressed the Board to say this item was carried over from the previous meeting. A list of goals was provided in the support materials for this item (attached).

Additional goals were added to the attached list as follow:

**E.D. Gibson :**

1. Continue working with the Business Improvement District (BID)
2. Work on the Marketing/Service/Pricing effort to increase ridership

**Vice Chair Jardon:**

1. Purchase a double-decker vehicle for use on Virginia Street
2. Evaluation of a pedestrian bridge with all RTC partners for Lake Street over I-80 to the UNR campus
3. Evaluate with all partners the improvements to the esthetics of the Virginia Street overpass
4. Create a comprehensive plan for the roll-out of Microtransit if successful

**Commissioner Hartung:**

1. Continual reviewing and revamping of the transit system (can routes be flexed mid-day?)
2. Review of roadway/safety improvements needed in the outlying areas

**Chairman Lucey:**

1. Revamp the Shared Work Program with TRMPA and potentially become the Regional MPO while utilizing TMRPA in a different manner
2. Develop a Shared Regional Framework with NDOT, Carson City and surrounding counties

E.D. Gibson said that he and Denise Thompson will edit the goals document and go from there.

On motion of Commissioner Hartung, seconded by Vice Chair Jardon, which motion carried unanimously, Chairman Lucey ordered that the amended goals be approved.

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- 7.2 **Legal Issues** - Report, discussion and **possible action** and/or direction to legal counsel and staff following receipt of information on legal issues. The RTC may, consistent with Chapter 241 of NRS, decide to interrupt the public meeting at any time to conduct a closed session to confer with legal counsel and possibly deliberate on legal issues. Any action on pending legal matters will be made when the public meeting is reconvened.

Legal Counsel Dale Ferguson said he had items he wished to communicate with the Board in a non-meeting prior to the start of the September 20, 2019, meeting.

**Item 8**            ***PUBLIC INPUT***

Chairman Lucey opened the meeting to public input and called on anyone wishing to speak on topics relevant to the Regional Transportation Commission (RTC) that are not included in the current agenda.

There being no one wishing to speak, the Chair closed public input.

**Item 9**            **MEMBER ITEMS**

Vice Chair Jardon asked what the policy is pertaining to animals on the bus per the public comment earlier in the meeting.

Mr. Mark Maloney, RTC Director of Public Transportation and Operations, responded that the RTC is governed by the ADA which states that service animals are allowed and the onus belongs to the owner of the animal to keep it under control; it does not specify a leash is required. If the owner fails to control their service animal, the driver will try to address the matter. All other animals, such as cats or dogs, must be caged while on the bus.

Commissioner Weber announced Ward 4's Take-off Celebration and Biggest Little Parade and Fly Over Saturday, September 7<sup>th</sup> from 1 – 5 pm at the Reno/Stead Airport. This is for the Ward 4 community and the entire city. RTC is providing transit service for the event as well as for the Air Races.

Commissioner Hartung suggested the RTC have a “true” definition of what a service animal is.

**Item 10**          **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 11:26 a.m.

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BOB LUCEY, Chairman  
Regional Transportation Commission



*\*\*Original goals as presented during the meeting\*\**

<b>LEE GIBSON FY 2020 GOALS</b>	
<b>1</b>	Complete affordable housing study and prepare for joint development/master developer RFP to procure a public private partnership.
<b>2</b>	Initiate property disposal procedures pursuant to AB 270
<b>3</b>	Implementation of Shared Work Program with TMRPA
<b>4</b>	Spaghetti Bowl Funding Plan Update
<b>5</b>	Initiate 2050 RTP Process
<b>6</b>	Provide comments regarding reauthorization to US DOT and the Nevada Delegation
<b>7</b>	Bus operations test for the Double decker vehicle
<b>8</b>	Continue construction program- Virginia Street, Pavement preservation
<b>9</b>	Succession planning-continue
<b>10</b>	Federal priorities, including Reauthorization, and Shared Federal Framework



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**AGENDA ITEM 3.2**

**TO:** Regional Transportation Commission

**FROM:** Brian Stewart, P.E.  
Engineering Director

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for Lee G. Gibson, AICP  
Executive Director

**SUBJECT: RTC Engineering Activity Report**

**RECOMMENDATION**

Acknowledge receipt of the monthly Engineering Activity Report.

**BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN IMPROVEMENTS**

Bus Stop Improvement and Connectivity Program

The program is a multi-year effort to upgrade existing bus stops to comply with state and federal requirements, including the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). The Professional Services Agreement (PSA) was awarded to CA Group, Inc. earlier this year and the design is proceeding on the first phase of the project. The construction of the first phase will begin later this year. A progress report presentation was provided at the August Board Meeting.

Center Street Cycle Track Project

Headway Transportation was determined to be the most highly qualified firm. Task 1 of the scope of services is for additional Traffic Analysis of the proposed alternative, which includes a two-way cycle track along Center Street from Cheney to 9<sup>th</sup> Street. After the results are presented, we will move forward with the other tasks of the original scope of work or as adjusted to better fit the purpose of this project. The PSA will be presented at the September Board Meeting for approval.

Keystone Avenue at California Avenue

The project was completed and opened to traffic before the first day of school. Wood Rodgers designed the project. Sierra Nevada Construction Company performed the construction that began on June 10, 2019. Warranties are in place and project close out continues.



Mill Street (I-580 to McCarran Boulevard)

The scope of this project is to design and construct various complete street improvements along Mill Street from Terminal Way to McCarran Boulevard, as identified in the RTC Complete Streets Masterplan completed in July 2016, and the Mill/Terminal corridor study completed in March 2013. The emphasis of this project is to assess and identify improvements for pedestrians, bicyclists, and transit riders as well as motorists. Deficiencies in pedestrian access related to Charter Schools and AACT High School in the area as well as a number of ADA deficient bus stops have been addressed. Preliminary design is complete and 90% plan comments have been received from the agencies. The Project will be split into three phases based on the estimated cost of construction. Phase 1 will be on the south side of Mill Street from Terminal to Rock Boulevard, Phase 2 will be on the south side of Mill Street from Rock to McCarran, and Phase 3 will include the north side of Mill Street from Terminal to McCarran. Right-of-Way impacts have been identified and the Right-of-Way process for Phase 1 is beginning. It is anticipated the three phases will be constructed consecutively over a 5-year timeframe.

**CAPACITY/CONGESTION RELIEF PROJECTS**

ITS Pilot Project, Design of Phase 2 ITS Connectivity

This pilot project will connect traffic signal systems of the City of Reno, the City of Sparks, Washoe County, and NDOT through fiber optic communication lines. This project also includes design of Phase 2A and 2B, which will expand communication to outlying signal systems and install ITS devices to monitor and remotely adjust traffic signals to respond to special events, changing traffic conditions, provide information to drivers and traffic incidents. Construction of the Pilot Project is complete. The ITS Phase 2A Project is complete. Phase 2B has been awarded to PAR Electrical Contractors, Inc. with construction scheduled for fall 2019.

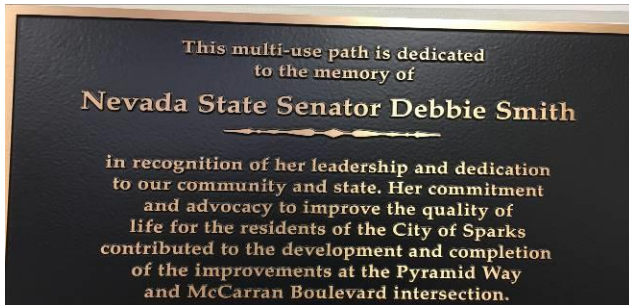
Lemmon Drive Project

The project includes widening Lemmon Drive from US 395 to Military Road from four lanes to six lanes and widening Lemmon Drive from Fleetwood Drive to Chickadee Drive from two lanes to four lanes. Jacobs Engineering Group, Inc. was selected as the most highly qualified consultant to provide preliminary engineering for the project. A Professional Services Agreement (PSA) is under consideration for RTC Board approval.

North Valleys Improvements

Package 3 will include installation of a new traffic signal at the Lemmon Drive/North Virginia Street intersection. Bids opened on May 9, 2019, with Sierra Nevada Construction awarded the contract. Underground work completed with signal equipment scheduled to arrive mid November 2019.

Package 3B is currently at 90% design. Package 3B includes adding capacity to the right turn lane at North Virginia Street/Business 395. This project also includes improvements to two bus stop pads located within the project area, and associated access and drainage improvements. Construction of this package is tentatively scheduled for late summer of 2019.



### Pyramid and McCarran Intersection Improvement

The project is complete. RTC staff and consultants continue to work through final warranty items with the contractor and the City of Sparks. NDOT has provided relief of maintenance to Granite and taken over maintenance responsibilities. The irrigation issues have been resolved and the Plant Establishment period ended on July 31, 2019. Final project closeout activities

are underway. A dedication plaque to Senator Debbie Smith as a champion of the project including the multi-use path will be installed in the next few months.

### Traffic Signal Coordination 5 Project

Following a three year cycle schedule, the project includes review and timing optimization of approximately one-third (1/3) of the signals in the region per year. For 2018, 92 intersections were re-timed. For 2019, nine corridors, roughly 230 intersections will have new timing implemented. Timing plans are developed in coordination with RTC/UNR. In the process, re-evaluation of the clearance intervals and pedestrian crossing times are calculated at each intersection to make sure it is up to current standards.

#### Process for signal retiming

1. Collect traffic & signal data
2. Input timings into model and evaluate existing signal timing & develop new timing.
3. Implement timing in the field
4. Fine-tune timing
5. Conduct before-after studies

#### Completed Corridors (244 signals as of August 2019)

1. Wells Avenue – (Ryland Street to E. 9<sup>th</sup> Street)
2. Vista Boulevard – (Eastbound I-80 Off/On Ramps to S. Los Altos Parkway)
3. Sparks Boulevard – (Eastbound I-80 Off/On Ramps to Los Altos Parkway)
4. N. McCarran Boulevard/Clear Acre Lane – (Sutro Street to Sullivan/N. McCarran Boulevard to Scottsdale)
5. Pyramid Highway (Disc Dr. to Lazy 5)
6. Kietzke Ln/Mill Street – (Peckham Lane to Glendale Avenue/Kietzke Lane to Terminal Way)
7. W. McCarran Boulevard/Mae Anne – (Plumb Lane to W. 7<sup>th</sup> Street/W. McCarran to Sierra Highlands)
8. S. McCarran/Kietzke Lane/Virginia Street
  - a. On McCarran Blvd - Greensboro Drive to Mill Street
  - b. On Virginia St. – Kietzke Ln to S. McCarran Blvd
  - c. On Kietzke Ln. – S. Virginia St. to Sierra Rose Dr.
  - d. On Longley Ln – Peckham Ln to S. McCarran Blvd.
9. Pyramid Way
  - a. I-80 to Sparks Blvd including two intersections of McCarran Boulevard at Rock Boulevard & 4<sup>th</sup> Street

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10. Downtown Reno (45 signals)
11. Keystone Ave (6 Signals) – W. 7<sup>th</sup> St. to W. 1<sup>st</sup> St.
12. Damonte Ranch (7 signals) – Zolezzi Ln to Double R Blvd, and Double R Blvd at Double Diamond
13. Rock Blvd (9 signals) – Greg St to Prater Way
14. Sun Valley Blvd (6 Signals) – Dandini to 7<sup>th</sup> Ave
15. Sparks Isolated Intersections (33 Signals) – Various Signals
16. Prater Way – Galletti Way to 15<sup>th</sup> St (6 Signals)
17. Damonte Ranch/Steamboat – (4 Signals)
18. South Meadows Pkwy (5 signals) – Virginia St to Double R – New Timing Implementation Mid-June
19. California/Keystone (3 signals) – California Ave – Keystone Ave to Booth St, including Booth St/Foster St.

Progress as of Mid-June 2019

- Sutro St (9 Signals) – New Timing implementation/fine-tune mid-August (Now September)
- S. Virginia St (19 Signals) – New Timing under review – Implement September
- E. McCarran Blvd (12 Signals) – New Timing under development

Traffic Engineering (TE) Spot 8 – Package 1 Project

The project is currently advertised with the bid opening scheduled for September 12, 2019. Construction will begin in fall 2019.

The scope of this project includes:

Flashing Yellow Arrow – East/West

Keystone Avenue at 7<sup>th</sup> Street  
East Lincoln Way at Marina Gateway Drive  
Mill Street at Kirman Avenue

Flashing Yellow Arrow – North/South

McCarran Boulevard at Neil Road

Battery Back-Up Systems

Mae Anne Avenue at Coit Plaza  
Oddie Boulevard at I-80 Ramps (both sides)  
Wells Avenue at I-80 Ramps (both sides)  
Wells Avenue at 6<sup>th</sup> Street

Traffic Signal

Evans Avenue at Enterprise Road

Traffic Engineering (TE) Spot 8 – Package 2 Project

The project includes a new traffic signal at the intersection of Red Rock Road and Silver Lake Road and capacity improvements at the North McCarran Boulevard and U.S. 395 Interchange. The project opened bids on June 5, 2019, and Titan Electric is the apparent low bidder. A pre-construction meeting was held on July 24, 2019. Construction is anticipated to start in early fall 2019.

Traffic Engineering (TE) Spot 9 – Package 1 Project

The project includes:

- Traffic signal at the intersection of Sharlands Avenue and Mae Anne Avenue;
- Battery backup systems for signalized intersections on Sun Valley Drive from Scottsdale Road to 7<sup>th</sup> Street;
- Minor striping improvements to improve traffic flow at Pyramid Way at York Way; and
- Traffic study with potential improvement to southbound right turn lane at the intersection of Vista Boulevard and Baring Boulevard.

Design scheduled for fall/winter 2019 with construction in late spring 2020.

Traffic Engineering (TE) Spot 9 – Package 2 Project

The project includes various traffic updates throughout the Reno/Incline area:

- Traffic signal cabinet and camera upgrades at various intersections in the Reno area;
- New traffic signal at the intersection of Rock Boulevard/Edison Way; and a
- 4<sup>th</sup> Street/Mesa/Woodland intersection study for future improvements.

Kimley-Horn & Associates is the design consultants for this project.

**CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS**

Arlington Bridges at Truckee River

The crossing of the Truckee River at Arlington Avenue has served the community of Reno and provided access to Wingfield Park for nearly a century. The bridges are showing signs of wear resulting from the variety of modifications over the years, their age, and the repeated exposure to flood events.

A feasibility and alternatives analysis has been initiated to determine options for the rehabilitation or replacement of the two Arlington Avenue Bridges to ensure continued public safety, to meet the needs of the community, and to provide the necessary flood conveyance for the Truckee River. This feasibility study will analyze the pedestrian access to the park and river, identify design and environmental constraints including traffic and flooding, and develop specific bridge concepts and aesthetic themes. To assist with the development and review of alternatives and concepts, the RTC will be conducting agency, stakeholder, and public outreach through one-on-one and at community public meetings.

Public outreach activities continue in preparation for our first Public Meeting, tentatively scheduled for November 2019. A presentation was given to the RTC Board on May 20, 2019. We are scheduled to present our process and approach to the City of Reno Council at the October meeting.

Oddie Boulevard/Wells Avenue Improvement Project

Thirty percent (30%) design plan comments from the cities of Reno and Sparks have been received. Engineering continues on the sixty percent (60%) design concept. At the August 26, 2019, City of Reno Council Meeting, Reno Council supported staff recommendations regarding raised cycle track, the multi-use path, landscaping concepts, lighting, fencing and removal of the existing pedestrian bridge. RTC will continue to meet with Reno and Sparks staff to coordinate schedules and provide review of plans.

Pyramid Highway and US 395 Connection

The RTC and NDOT are finalizing an agreement for design of Phase 1 of the project that includes capacity and multimodal improvements on Pyramid from Queen Way to Golden View Drive. The agreement will be submitted to the RTC Board for approval. The RTC, with support from NDOT, completed and submitted a BUILD Grant application to the Department of Transportation seeking up to \$25 million for construction of Phase 1. Design and construction of the overall project is phased over approximately 20 years. The current estimated cost of the overall project is \$800 million and will relieve congestion on the Pyramid Highway, McCarran Boulevard and other regional roads and provide connectivity between the North Valleys, Sun Valley and Spanish Springs.

Sun Valley Boulevard Corridor Improvement Project

Thirty percent (30%) design for the Washoe County section between 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Highland Ranch Parkway was submitted at the end of June 2019. Inadequate drainage systems to handle existing storm water flow is presenting project challenges along the NDOT portion of this project between El Rancho and 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Discussion for a possible partnership with NDOT and Washoe County is occurring in order to address existing the drainage issues and the project design. Maintenance of the proposed new facilities may also present challenges to Washoe County, NDOT, and Sun Valley General Improvement District (GID).

Truckee River Shared Use Path Project

The proposed pathway will start at John Champion Memorial Park and continue along the south side of the Truckee River. The existing pathway in this segment of the river currently crosses to the north side of the river at the park as it continues eastward. The proposed pathway will be about 2,400 lineal feet in length, continuing below Interstate 580 (I-580) to meet up with the existing pathway located near the Walmart east of I-580. This project was included in the fiscal year (FY) 2017 Program of Projects. The design portion of this project is funded through federal funds and includes oversight by NDOT through a Local Public Agency (LPA) agreement.

Thirty percent design plans have been reviewed and work continues on the environmental documentation that is required for the project including a 408 permit that is required.

Virginia Street RAPID Extension

A detailed monthly progress report will be given on this project in September. Additional information can be viewed at: <http://virginiastreetproject.com/>

## **PAVEMENT PRESERVATION PROJECTS**

### 2018 and 2019 Preventive Maintenance (Various Locations)

The 2018 Preventive Maintenance Program was suspended last fall and many downtown street were pushed to this season due to conflicts with the Virginia Street Bus RAPID Transit project. Construction has resumed and the 2018 program is nearly complete. Sierra Nevada Construction Company was awarded the 2019 project. Between the two projects, approximately 300 lane miles of roads will be microsurfaced including major roadways such as Vista, Veterans, South Parkway and Eagle Canyon. The Plumb Lane road diet from Arlington to Ferris will be completed in mid-September. All microsurfacing work will be complete by the end of September, but crack sealing activities will continue into October.

### Golden Valley Road Rehab Project

The project includes rehabilitation/reconstruction of Golden Valley Road from Yorkshire Drive to North Virginia Street. A Professional Services Agreement was awarded to Lumos & Associates on August 16, 2019, and design is under way. Construction is scheduled for next summer.

### Greg Street Rehab Project

The project includes corrective maintenance of Greg Street from McCarran Boulevard to the Union Pacific Railroad Tracks. Wood Rodgers is the consultant for Design and Engineering During Construction. Final Design is anticipated to be complete by spring 2020. Construction is scheduled for early June 2020 with a scheduled completion in mid-August 2020.

### Lakeside Drive Rehab Project

The project includes rehabilitation/reconstruction of Lakeside Drive from Evans Creek to McCarran Boulevard. Eastern Sierra Engineering is the consultant for Design and Engineering During Construction. Construction is scheduled for early June 2020 with a scheduled completion in mid-August 2020.

### Prater Way Rehab Project

The project includes rehabilitation/reconstruction of Prater Way from Howard Drive to Sparks Boulevard. Stantec Consulting Services, Inc. is the consultant for design and engineering during construction. Construction is scheduled to start in March 2020 with a scheduled completion of August 2020. Preliminary design is underway and initial fieldwork is almost complete.

### Reno Consolidated 19-01- Sutro Street, 1<sup>st</sup> Street, Lake Street, and State Street Project

The project includes rehabilitation/reconstruction of the following street segments: Sutro Street from Commercial Row to 4<sup>th</sup> Street and from McCarran Boulevard to 1,400' north, 1<sup>st</sup> Street from Center to Lake, Lake Street Truckee River Bridge, and State Street from Virginia to Sinclair Street. Bid were opened for this project on July 19, 2019. Sierra Nevada Construction (SNC) is doing a great job on this project. Lake Street and 1<sup>st</sup> Street construction will be complete by the end of September. SNC is scheduled to start work on the northern section of Sutro in the next couple of weeks.



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### Reno Consolidated 19-02 – North Hills Boulevard and Hunter Lake Drive Project

Construction started on August 5, 2019 and will be complete by the end of October 2019. Q&D Construction was awarded the construction contract on July 10, 2019. Staff has been meeting with business owners and communicating the traffic control plans to the traveling public. Upon completion, North Hill Boulevard will be entirely reconstructed and new sidewalks will be in place on both sides of the road.

### Reno Consolidated 19-03 – Sierra Highlands Drive, Colbert Drive, Hammill Lane, Ralston Street, and Ohm Place Project

The Professional Services Agreement for design and engineering during construction was awarded to Eastern Sierra Engineering (ESE). The project includes rehabilitation/reconstruction of the following street segments: Sierra Highlands Drive from the NDOT right-of-way on McCarran Boulevard to Idlebury Way; Colbert Drive from Longley Lane to 300 feet northwest of Longley Lane; Hammill Lane from Kietzke Lane to the eastern terminus; Ralston Street from University Terrace to Eleventh Street; and Ohm Place from Mill Street to 500 feet south. The project advertised on June 6, 2019, and bids opened June 27, 2019. Sierra Nevada Construction was awarded the construction contract on June 28, 2019. Construction started August 5, 2019. Ralston Street construction is scheduled to be complete by the first of October. Construction is continuing on Ohm Place. Sierra Highland is scheduled to start construction at the end of September/early October. Hammill Lane and Colbert Drive are scheduled to start in October 2019.

### Reno Consolidated 20-01 – Mayberry Drive, California Avenue, and First Street

The project includes rehabilitation/reconstruction of the following street segments: Mayberry Drive from Memory Lane to California Avenue, California Avenue from Westfield Avenue to Booth Street, and First Street from Arlington Avenue to Virginia Street. A Professional Services Agreement with Nichols Consulting Engineers, CHTD to provide design services and engineering during construction will be presented to the Board this month for consideration of award.

### Sparks Consolidated 19-01 – 15<sup>th</sup> Street, Franklin Way, Hulda Court, and El Rancho Sidewalk Project

The project includes rehabilitation/reconstruction of the following street segments: 15<sup>th</sup> Street from C Street to Prater Way, Franklin Way from the Rail Road crossing to East Greg Street, Hulda Court, and sidewalk improvements on El Rancho Drive from G Street to Oddie Boulevard. Construction began on July 10, 2019, and will continue through October 2019. Spanish Springs Construction is on-schedule to have this project complete by October. Major items of work on El Rancho Drive has been completed and work on 15<sup>th</sup> Street will be complete by the end of September. Once 15<sup>th</sup> Street is complete, Spanish Springs will begin roadway removal on Franklin Way. New Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons (RRFBs) for the Elementary/El Rancho Drive intersection have been ordered and are anticipated to arrive in December when they will be installed as one of the final items of work.

**REPORT ON NEGOTIATED SETTLEMENT AGREEMENTS FOR THE ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY**

<b>Project</b>	<b>Property Owner</b>	<b>Purchase Amount</b>	<b>Amount Over Appraisal</b>
Virginia Street BRT Extension	Jeffrey Anakatumpunya	\$4,880.00	\$0

**CONTRACTS UNDER \$50,000**

None

**ENGINEERING ON-CALL WORK ASSIGNMENTS**

Attachment A summarizes the work assignments on the engineering pre-qualified on-call lists. Engineering Department consultant assignments are reported after Board approval of the professional services agreement with each firm.

**ADVISORY COMMITTEE(S) RECOMMENDATION**

There are no advisory committee recommendations pertaining to this agenda item.

Attachment



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**AGENDA ITEM 3.3**

**TO:** Regional Transportation Commission

**FROM:** Mark Maloney  
Director of Public Transportation and  
Operations

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for Lee G. Gibson, AICP  
Executive Director

**SUBJECT: RTC Public Transportation and Operations Report**

**RECOMMENDATION**

Acknowledge receipt of the monthly Public Transportation and Operations Report.

**HIGHLIGHTS**



BUS #109 Rides Again during the Hot August Night's Parade on Sunday, August 11. Staff from Keolis participated in the 33<sup>rd</sup> annual HAN parade on Virginia Street. Keolis reported that Bus 109 was enjoyed by all.

**Proterra Hosts Ice Cream Social -** Proterra CEO Ryan Popple and Mike Finnern VP for Customer Service along with other Proterra staff visited Reno on August 23, 2019. Their visit to Reno reaffirms their commitment to RTC. Staff had the opportunity to discuss maintenance challenges and successes over the last few months. Proterra staff met with key RTC leadership, and Keolis' new maintenance team.



Proterra sponsored an ice cream truck outside of 4th Street Station for a driver appreciation event!

Pictured right to left are Ramon Barroso Field Services Technician, Lee Wixom Regional Sales Director, David Carr RTC Facilities and Fleet Manager, Ryan Popple CEO, Mike Finnern VP for Customer Service, Patrick Richter Field Services Regional Manager.

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**Don't Drive Arrive – to the 31<sup>st</sup> Annual Rib Cook Off –** RTC provided free shuttle service from Sparks Christian Fellowship in Sparks, and from the Reno Sparks Livestock Events Center in Reno to the event held Wednesday, August 28 through Monday, September 2. The shuttle service was provided through a partnership with the Nugget Casino Resort, All West Coachlines and the RTC.

**Don't Drive Arrive – to UNR Wolf Pack Home Games –** Football fans can support the Wolf Pack by using the UNR-Midtown Direct to Mackay Stadium. The UNR Wolf Pack Game Transit Route has convenient stops in downtown and Midtown Reno to take football fans to the University of Nevada, Reno (UNR). Parking is limited in and around campus making the UNR-Midtown Direct transit service a great and affordable way to avoid parking hassles. This service is being provided for all scheduled home games from August 30 through November 30.



### UNR Wolf Pack Game Transit Route

Don't Drive Arrive to UNR Wolf Pack Games!

Avoid the hassle of parking and take RTC's UNR-Midtown Direct Service to Mackay Stadium

**Scheduled Home Games**

vs Purdue	Aug. 30 - 6:30 PM
vs Weber State	Sept. 14 - 4:00 PM
vs Hawaii	Sept. 28 - TBD
vs San Jose St	Oct. 12 - 1:00 PM
vs New Mexico	Nov. 2 - TBD
vs UNLV	Nov. 30 - NOON

Visit [rtcwashoe.com](http://rtcwashoe.com) for route and schedule information.  
Regular RTC Ride Fares apply.



University of Nevada, Reno



Subject to change, weather permitting. Map data ©2019 Google



**Don't Drive Arrive – to the 56<sup>th</sup> Annual Reno Air Races –** RTC provided free rides on RIDE Route 7 to the Reno Air Races Takeoff Celebration on Saturday, September 7, 2019. Air Races fans were also able to ride free on Route 7 on Wednesday, September 11 to the event. Regular service was provided on September 12 through September 15 by detouring Route 7 from its scheduled route to drop off and pick up Air Races fans at the event.

Don't Drive, Arrive! is a partnership between the RTC, the City of Reno and the City of Sparks.

**RTC Microtransit Vans Being Prepped for Service –** Two Access vans received a new look in anticipation of the new microtransit service six-month pilot project, set to begin on November 2, 2019. FlexRIDE is an on-demand service using technology similar to that of services like Uber or Lyft to call for a ride. Passengers can request a ride by using their smartphone or tablet with an app, by calling a dispatcher, or by using a computer to access a website. The call can occur within 30 minutes of their desired travel time and passengers can expect their ride to arrive within 8 to 15 minutes. Passengers traveling within the FlexRIDE service area in Sparks



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will have curb-to-curb service and can expect shorter ride times than when taking RTC RIDE. People looking to travel outside of the service area can transfer to RTC RIDE or RTC ACCESS services at Iron Horse Shopping Center or at RTC CENTENNIAL PLAZA. FlexRIDE will serve the areas currently served by Routes 25 and 26, as well as some nearby areas in the north and east downtown Sparks. The fare will be the same as the standard RTC RIDE fares.



**Senior Fest 2019** – RTC staffed a booth at the Annual Senior Fest event on September 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Reno Town Mall. This event gives seniors an opportunity to connect with senior service providers and businesses. Participants toured one of RTC’s new FlexRIDE (microtransit buses featured above) and were encouraged to sign-up for free mobility training with the RTC. At the event, staff interacted with members of the public, providing answers to questions and information about RTC’s transit system. Staff also gave out information on the new RTC ACCESS Mobile App to all RTC ACCESS eligible clients who visited the booth.

Councilwoman Neoma Jardon also attended the event.

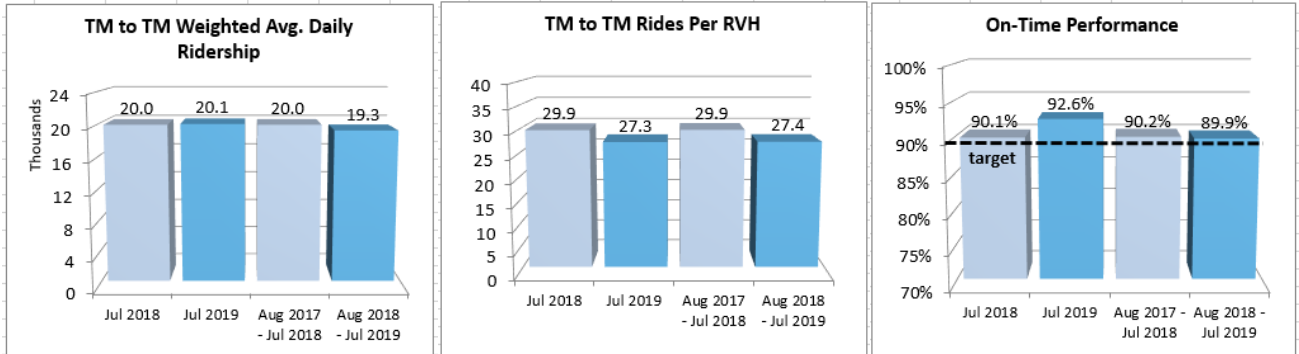
### **TRANSIT DEMAND MANAGEMENT (TDM) UPDATE -**

- Vanpools remained at 181 with over 100 of those serving the Tahoe Reno Industrial Center (TRIC).
- Staff spent multiple days onsite at UNR and TMCC passing out fliers to promote the new ED-Pass and the UNR-Midtown Direct route.
- Staff hosted an event at UNR during student orientation with a bus running the new UNR – Midtown Direct route.
- Staff had a pop up event at Idlewild Park on Food Truck Friday to receive information on the University area study, and handed out flyers for the ED pass and new UNR-Midtown Direct route.

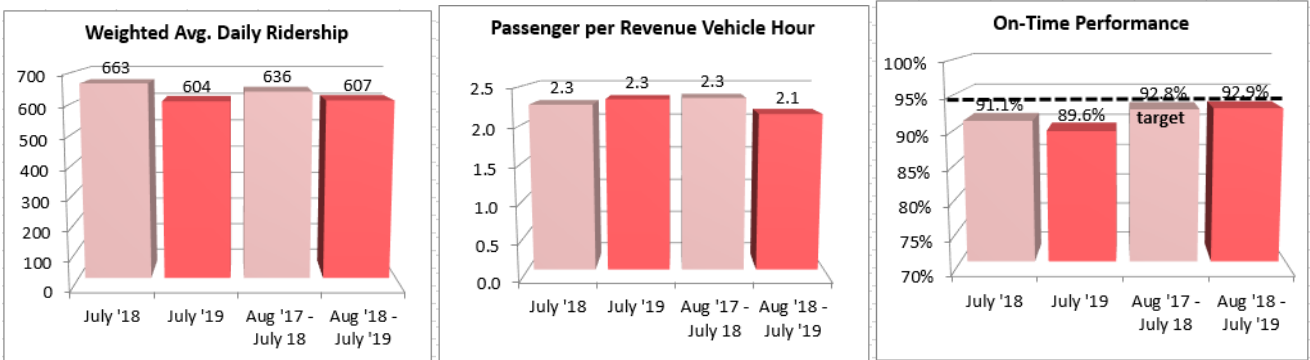


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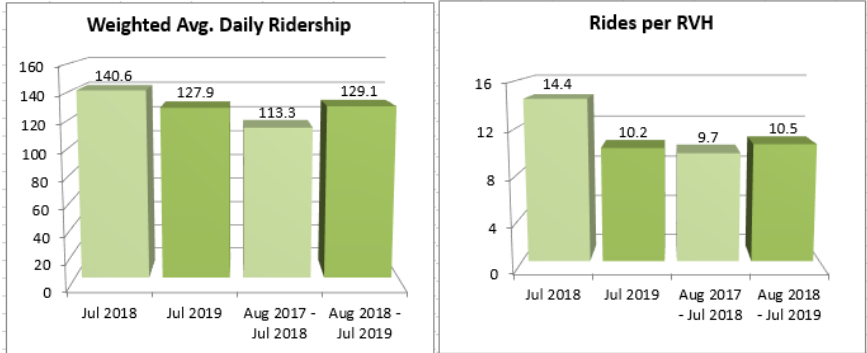
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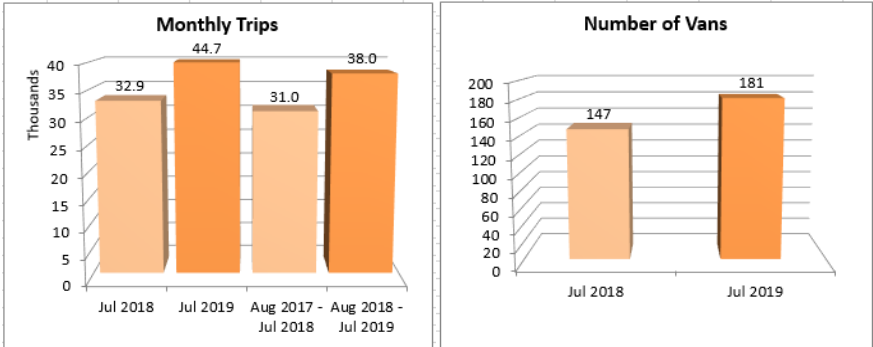
**RTC ACCESS**



**TART**



**RTC VANPOOL**





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**AGENDA ITEM 3.4**

**TO:** Regional Transportation Commission

**FROM:** Amy Cummings, AICP/LEED AP  
Director of Planning/Deputy  
Executive Director

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for Lee G. Gibson, AICP  
Executive Director

**SUBJECT: RTC Planning Department Report**

**RECOMMENDATION**

Acknowledge receipt of the monthly Planning Activity Report.

**PLANNING STUDIES**

*Virginia Street Bus RAPID Transit Extension Project*

Staff continue to support community outreach efforts and provide technical support for the Small Starts process for this project. The Virginia Street project team continues extensive outreach activities with Midtown businesses and other stakeholders, identified under community outreach activities.

*South Meadows Multimodal Transportation Study*

The South Meadows Multimodal Transportation Study started in December 2018 and is moving forward. The first public meeting for the project was held on March 26<sup>th</sup> at Damonte Ranch High School and a project Technical Advisory Committee meeting was held on June 3<sup>rd</sup> to review public comments to date. Project progress will be updated on the RTC website under Metropolitan Planning, Corridor Studies. This multimodal study of the South Meadows area will identify needs and transportation improvements for regional roads in the study area. The study will focus on traffic operations, safety, pedestrian and bicycle connectivity, and transit service needs.

*University Area Multimodal Transportation Study*

The University Area Multimodal Transportation Study started after the approval of the Professional Services Agreement with Kimley-Horn on March 19. This study will take into account the current and future development plans slated to occur on or near the university campus in the coming years and will identify needed connectivity, safety, and access improvements for vehicle and alternative transportation modes on regional roads. In addition, it will include an in-depth analysis of land use and roadway network scenarios in the UNR Gateway District.

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The project team met with staff from the University of Nevada Reno and City of Reno to discuss project details. The project Technical Advisory Committee had a kick-off meeting on April 24<sup>th</sup>. The project team conducted Walking Audits in the study area to evaluate pedestrian walking environment and connectivity on May 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>. Pop-up meetings were held in front of the Joe Crowley Student Union building and in Idlewild Park for the Food Truck Friday Event to engage the community to provide their comments and concerns. The first public meeting was held on June 27<sup>th</sup> at Evelyn Mount North Northwest Community Center. An online public input survey was open until July 22<sup>nd</sup> to collect comments and concerns regarding transportation in the university area.

### ADA Transition Plan Update

The ADA Transition Plan internal draft has been completed and the RTC stakeholder team is in the process of reviewing and commenting on the draft report. Staff will be asking these different stakeholders to provide input and comment on the draft plan prior to it being finalized. Stakeholder meetings continue to take place on a monthly basis to update internal project stakeholders and provide input on the project. There will be a public open house on October 24, 2019, to share the final draft Plan with the public. This project is on schedule.

### Eagle Canyon Extension Alignment Alternatives and Planning and Environmental Linkages (PEL) Study

The RTC Board approved of the Professional Services Agreement (PSA) with Stantec Consulting Services, Inc., and a notice to proceed has been issued. Additional schedule updates will be provided in the October department report.

### Bicycle and Pedestrian Planning

The RTC is collaborating with other partner agencies on several initiatives to improve bicycle and pedestrian safety & facilities:

- Bicycle and Pedestrian Count Program – The May counts for the 40 locations have been conducted.
- The RTC continues to partner with the Truckee Meadows Bicycle Alliance (TMBA).

### Vision Zero

- The Board of Health was given a presentation on August 22<sup>nd</sup> and they moved to support the goal of zero fatalities by 2030 and also adopted a Resolution to support Vision Zero's action plan and application to become a Vision Zero Community.
- August 26, 2019, The City of Sparks adopted a Resolution to support the Vision Zero goal of Zero Fatalities by the year 2030 and to support the Action Plan.
- Vision Zero Task Force will present at the 2019 State Safety Summit in October.

### MPO Certification Review

Staff has been coordinating with representatives of the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) in an effort to prepare for a pending Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Certification Review on September 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>. It is anticipated that the results of the certification review will be presented to the Board after the documentation has been finalized.



Sustainability Planning

RTC continues to advance initiatives outlined in the RTC Sustainability Plan through the Green Team comprised of agency staff, such as the Sustainable Purchasing Policy and the tracking of paper usage in an effort to achieve a ten percent reduction. RTC also participates in the City of Reno Sustainability & Climate Advisory Committee and continues to be an active member in the regional SPINN Committee.

RTC Affordable Housing Study

The project team has developed an inventory of potential candidate sites for affordable housing near transit routes and is conducting additional community outreach to gather input. A preliminary list of sites was presented to the RTC Technical Advisory Committee and Citizens Multimodal Advisory Committee, as well as the project stakeholder group. A summary of this information was presented at a public meeting held on September 12 at the McKinley Arts & Culture Center. RTC shared information about the study at the Mayor's Town Hall of Housing on September 4.

Development Review

RTC staff routinely review development proposals from the local jurisdictions of Washoe County and the Cities of Reno and Sparks. Staff from Planning, Engineering, and Public Transportation have reviewed and commented on the following number of development proposals from each of the jurisdictions since the August Board meeting:

- Washoe County – 0
- City of Reno – 2
- City of Sparks – 0

This does not include proposals that were reviewed on which staff did not have any comments.

**COMMUNITY AND MEDIA OUTREACH ACTIVITIES**

RTC staff conducted the following outreach activities from August 15 – September 25:

August 15	Ferrari Lund Meeting - RTC Update
August 15	Virginia Street Project Information Office Hours
August 15	Northern Nevada Government Entities - Shared Federal Framework and Federal Priorities
August 19	Berkshire Hathaway Meeting - RTC Update
August 20	Virginia Street Project Information Office Hours
August 20	Washoe County Senior Center Weekly Outreach Booth - Taxi Bucks and General Transportation Information
August 21	Reno Planning Commission - RRIF Presentation and Approval
August 22	Virginia Street Project Information Office Hours
August 22	Washoe County Board of Health Meeting Vision Zero Outreach
August 23	Food Truck Fridays Booth - Vision Zero Outreach, UNR Study Outreach

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August 26	Sparks City Council Meeting - RRIF 2nd Reading, presentation, public hearing
August 26	Sparks City Council Meeting - Vision Zero presentation
August 27	Northern Nevada CCIM Chapter: Infrastructure Growing Pains Panel
August 27	Dickson Realty Associates – RTC Update
August 27	Virginia Street Project Information Office Hours
August 27	Washoe County Senior Center Weekly Outreach Booth - Taxi Bucks and General Transportation Information
August 27	North Valley’s Developers’ Summit – RTC Overview of Area Projects
August 28	Harcourts Real Estate – RTC Update
August 29	Virginia Street Project Information Office Hours
September 1-2	Don’t Drive, Arrive! Best in the West Nugget Rib Cook-Off
September 3	Washoe County Planning Commission - RRIF Presentation and Approval
September 3	Senior Fest - Transit, FlexRIDE, Vision Zero Outreach
September 4	Washoe County Senior Center Weekly Outreach Booth -Taxi Bucks and General Transportation Information
September 4	RE/MAX Realty Affiliates – RTC Update
September 4	Reno Mayor's Town Hall on Housing – Affordable Housing and Vision Zero Booths
September 5	RTC Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) Meeting
September 5	RTC Citizens Multimodal Advisory Committee (CMAC) Meeting
September 6-8	Don’t Drive, Arrive! Great Reno Balloon Race - Event Park-and-ride Shuttle
September 7	Don’t Drive, Arrive! Reno Air Races Take-Off Event Free RIDEs on Route 7
September 10	Washoe County Commission Meeting - RRIF 1st reading and numbering of ordinance
September 10	Washoe County Commission Meeting - Vision Zero Outreach
September 11	Don’t Drive, Arrive! Reno Air Races Route 7 Free RIDE Opportunities
September 11	Washoe County Senior Center Weekly Outreach Booth - Taxi Bucks and General Transportation Information
September 12-15	Don’t Drive, Arrive! Reno Air Races on Route 7
September 12	Affordable Housing Study Community Meeting and Open House
September 18	Washoe County Senior Center Weekly Outreach Booth Taxi Bucks and General Transportation Information
September 19	Vision Zero Truckee Meadows Task Force Regional Meeting
September 24	Washoe County Commission Meeting - RRIF 2nd reading, presentation, public hearing
September 25	Washoe County Senior Center Weekly Outreach Booth - Taxi Bucks and General Transportation Information

Media Relations & Social Media

The RTC issued 13 news releases and participated in 14 media interviews on various topics, including the Virginia Street Project, lane and road closures on Vista Blvd. for pavement maintenance, RTC administrative offices closed and transit on a Sunday schedule for Labor Day, the Regional Transportation Improvement Program comment period, 1<sup>st</sup> Street and Lake Street

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closures for roadway reconstruction, transit opportunities for Nevada Wolf Pack home games, pedestrian fatalities up 100% in Washoe County, the new UNR-Midtown Direct transit route, Sparks roadways receiving pavement treatments, the reconstruction of State Street in Reno and more.

Social media was used to promote staying safe on Labor Day weekend, career opportunities at the RTC, RTC administrative offices closed and transit on a Sunday schedule for Labor Day, the Regional Transportation Improvement Program comment period, 1<sup>st</sup> Street and Lake Street closures for roadway reconstruction, transit opportunities for Nevada Wolf Pack home games, pedestrian fatalities up 100% in Washoe County, the new UNR-Midtown Direct transit route, Sparks roadways receiving pavement treatments, the reconstruction of State Street in Reno, weekly Virginia Street Project update videos, and the RTC Board meeting.

Social media metrics for the month of August: 71,449 impressions on Facebook, Twitter, YouTube and Instagram.

### *Informational Materials and Video Production*

Four topics were broadcast on KOLO-TV for The Road Ahead with RTC. Segments included a Virginia Street Project update, California/Keystone intersection improvements complete, Microtransit/FlexRIDE, and the new UNR-Midtown Direct service.

## **COORDINATION WITH PARTNER AGENCIES**

### *Truckee Meadows Regional Planning Agency (TMRPA)*

The RTC continues to have coordination meetings with staff from the TMRPA as the agencies progress with the Shared Work Program. Areas for collaboration include population and employment forecasts, the Regional Plan update, affordable housing studies, and analysis of demographic and socioeconomic issues.

### *Nevada Department of Transportation (NDOT)*

The RTC continues to have coordination meetings with staff from NDOT. Areas for collaboration include development of local public agency agreements between NDOT and RTC, maintenance of the regional travel demand model, bicycle and pedestrian improvements, transportation alternatives projects, coordination regarding funding and the State Transportation Improvement Program, One Nevada statewide plan, the I-80 and US 395 widening and improvements to the Spaghetti Bowl, and other ongoing transportation studies.

### *Statewide Transportation Planning*

RTC meets monthly with staff from NDOT, the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), RTC of Southern Nevada, Tahoe Regional Planning Agency, Tahoe Transportation District and the Carson Area Metropolitan Planning Organization to discuss statewide transportation planning issues. Other topics addressed include statewide data for performance measures analysis, comments on proposed rulemaking, and reauthorization of federal transportation legislation.



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**AGENDA ITEM 3.6**

**TO:** Regional Transportation Commission

**FROM:** Stephanie Haddock, CGFM  
Director of Finance/CFO

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for Lee G. Gibson, AICP  
Executive Director

**SUBJECT: RTC Procurement Activity Report**

**RECOMMENDATION**

Acknowledge receipt of the monthly Procurement Activity Report.

**PROJECTS CURRENTLY ADVERTISED**

<b><u>Invitations for Bids (IFB)</u></b>	
<b>Project</b>	<b>Due Date</b>
TE Spot 8 Intersection Improvements – Package 1	September 12, 2019

**REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP)**

There were no Requests for Proposals.

**REPORT ON BID AWARDS**

*Per NRS 332, NRS 338 and RTC’s Management Policy P-13 “Purchasing,” the Executive Director has authority to negotiate and execute a contract with the lowest responsive and responsible bidder on an Invitation for Bid (IFB) without Commission approval.*

<b>Project</b>	<b>Contractor</b>	<b>Award Date</b>	<b>Contract Amount</b>
ITS Phase 2B	PAR Electrical Contracting, Inc.	September 3, 2019	\$1,070,250
Installation of Ariel CNG Compressor	Trillium CNG	August 19, 2019	\$139,378
Traffic Count Program	Traffic Data, Inc.	August 22, 2019	\$100,000

**CHANGE ORDERS AND AMENDMENTS WITHIN EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S AUTHORITY**

There were none.

**REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION  
WASHOE COUNTY, NEVADA**

**FRIDAY**

**9:02 A.M.**

**September 20, 2019**

**PRESENT:**

**Bob Lucey, Washoe County Commissioner, Chairman  
Neoma Jardon, Reno City Council Member, Vice Chair  
Oscar Delgado, Reno City Council Member  
Ron Smith, Sparks City Council Member**

**Lee G. Gibson, RTC Executive Director  
Dale Ferguson, Legal Counsel  
Kristina Swallow, Director of NDOT**

**NOT PRESENT:**

**Vaughn Hartung, Washoe County Commissioner**

The regular monthly meeting, held in the Chambers of the Washoe County Commission, 1001 E. 9<sup>th</sup> Street, Reno, Nevada, was called to order by Chairman Lucey. Following the roll call and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of our country, the Board conducted the following business:

***Item 1        APPROVAL OF AGENDA***

On motion of Mayor Smith, seconded by Vice Chair Jardon, which motion unanimously carried, Chairman Lucey ordered that the agenda for this meeting be approved.

***Item 2.1     PUBLIC INPUT***

Chairman Lucey opened the meeting to public input and called on anyone wishing to speak on topics relevant to the Regional Transportation Commission (RTC) that are not included in the current agenda.

Mr. Daniel Griffith, local resident, owns a house on Butler Street and has concerns about the Spaghetti Bowl improvements having a significant impact on his home. He also mentioned that he had not heard anything about it until News 4 came around to talk to the residents. Lastly, Mr. Griffith asked about several other improvements that are supposed to be made near his home. Chairman Lucey told Mr. Griffith that the members are not allowed to engage in conversation during public comment, but that RTC staff would be able to follow up with him.

There being no one else wishing to speak, the Chair closed public input.

***Item 2.2     ADVISORY COMMITTEES SUMMARY REPORT***

On motion of Vice Chair Jardon, seconded by Mayor Smith, which motion unanimously carried, Chairman Lucey ordered that receipt of the monthly Summary Report for the Technical, Citizens Multimodal and Regional Road Impact Fee Advisory Committees be acknowledged.

*Item 3.1 thru 3.17 CONSENT ITEMS*

Vice Chair Jardon requested that Item 3.10 be pulled for discussion.

*Minutes*

**3.1 Approve the minutes of the August 16, 2019, meeting (*For Possible Action*)**

*Engineering*

**3.2 Acknowledge receipt of the monthly Engineering Activity Report (*For Possible Action*)**

*Public Transportation/Operations*

**3.3 Acknowledge receipt of the monthly Public Transportation/Operations Report (*For Possible Action*)**

*Planning*

**3.4 Acknowledge receipt of the monthly Planning Activity Report (*For Possible Action*)**

**3.5 Approve the recommended appointment and alternate appointments to the Citizens Multimodal Advisory Committee (CMAC):**

- Jillian Keller (Term through June 2022)
- Mike Soszynski (Alternate)
- Mauricio Urias (Alternate)

*Administration*

**3.6 Acknowledge receipt of the monthly Procurement Activity Report (*For Possible Action*)**

**3.7 Approve amendments to RTC Management Policy P-13 – Procurement, Contracting and Contract Administration, effective October 1, 2019 (*For Possible Action*)**

*Procurement and Contracts*

**3.8 Approve an amendment to the existing Task Order #1 under the Master Services Agreement with CA Group, Inc. for design services related to the Bus Stop Improvement and Connectivity Program 19-01 Project in the amount of \$76,440 for a new not-to-exceed amount for \$518,145, and an amendment to the Master services Agreement to reflect the increased not-to-exceed amount; authorize the RTC Executive Director to execute the amendments (*For Possible Action*)**

**3.9 Approve Task Order #2 under the Master Services Agreement with CA Group, Inc. for design services and optional engineering during construction for the Bus Stop Improvement and Connectivity Program for the 2020 construction season in an amount not-to-exceed \$580,865 and an amendment to the Master Services Agreement to reflect the increased not-to-exceed amount; authorize the RTC Executive Director to execute the task order and amendment (*For Possible Action*)**

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- 3.10 Approve a Professional Services Agreement (PSA) with Headway Transportation, LLC, to provide preliminary traffic operations analysis for the Center Street Cycle Track Project in an amount not-to-exceed \$95,950; authorize the RTC Executive Director to execute the agreement (*For Possible Action*) – ***Pulled for discussion***
- 3.11 Approve a Professional Services Agreement (PSA) with Jacobs Engineering Group, Inc. (“Jacobs”) as the selected firm to provide Engineering Professional Services for the Lemmon Drive Capacity Project in an amount not to exceed \$2,661,932; authorize the RTC Executive Director to execute the agreement (*For Possible Action*)
- 3.12 Approve a Professional Services Agreement (PSA) with Nichols Consulting Engineers, CHTD (“NCE”) to provide design services and optional engineering during construction for the Reno Consolidated 20-01 – Mayberry Drive, California Avenue, and First Street Project in an amount not to exceed \$913,830; authorize the RTC Executive Director to execute the agreement (*For Possible Action*)
- 3.13 Approve a Professional Services Agreement (PSA) with Westwood Professional Services, Inc. (“WPS”) to provide design services and optional engineering during construction for the TE Spot 9 – Package 1 Project in an amount not to exceed \$250,102; authorize the RTC Executive Director to execute the agreement (*For Possible Action*)
- 3.14 Approve a Professional Services Agreement (PSA) with Kimley-Horn & Associates to provide design services and engineering during construction for the TE Spot 9 – Package 2 Project in an amount not to exceed \$273,718, authorize the RTC Executive Director to execute the agreement (*For Possible Action*)
- 3.15 Approve the award and agreement with Trane US Inc. to provide heating, ventilation, and air conditioning (HVAC) preventive maintenance services, for a term of two years with three, one-year renewal options; authorize the RTC Executive Director to execute the agreement (*For Possible Action*)

### *Inter-Agency Agreements*

- 3.16 Approve a Cooperative Highway Agreement with the Nevada Department of Transportation (NDOT) for the final plans, specifications and costs estimates for Phase 1 of the Pyramid Highway/US 395 Connector Project (Phase 1) in the amount of \$1,500,000; authorize the RTC Executive Director to execute the agreement (*For Possible Action*)

### *Resolutions of Condemnation*

- 3.17 Approve a Resolution of Condemnation authorizing RTC’s legal counsel to commence condemnation proceedings to acquire the full fee acquisition of the parcel known as APN 007-183-13 from JRK Investments, LLC, a Nevada limited liability company, necessary to construct the Virginia Street Bus Rapid Transit Extension Project (*For Possible Action*)

On motion of Mayor Smith, seconded by Vice Chair Jardon, which motion carried unanimously, Chairman Lucey ordered that Consent Items 3.1 through 3.17 be approved, excluding Item 3.10 which was pulled for discussion.

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**3.10 Approve a Professional Services Agreement (PSA) with Headway Transportation, LLC, to provide preliminary traffic operations analysis for the Center Street Cycle Track Project in an amount not-to-exceed \$95,950; authorize the RTC Executive Director to execute the agreement (*For Possible Action*) – *Pulled for discussion***

*On discussion:* Vice Chair Jardon asked if Complete Street improvements on Sierra are also planned.

Mr. Brian Stewart, RTC Director of Engineering, responded that Sierra Street is not part of this agenda but staff is looking at alternatives for that street, including adding a bike lane, without effecting capacity; therefore, the lanes would stay as they are but would be narrower.

Vice Chair Jardon asked if street parking will be removed on Sierra Street when there is already some parking being removed from Center Street for the bicycle track project.

Mr. Stewart said the design is to keep all capacity and parking on Sierra Street as it is currently.

On motion of Vice Chair Jardon, seconded by Mayor Smith, which motion carried unanimously, Chairman Lucey ordered that Consent Item 3.10 be approved.

***Item 4 PUBLIC HEARINGS***

**4.1 Public hearing - no earlier than 9:05 a.m. Time Certain:**

Discussion and recommendation to approve the resolution adopting the Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2020-2024 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP) and the Self Certification for the metropolitan transportation planning process

1. Staff presentation
2. Public input
3. Approve the resolution adopting the Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2020-2024 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP) and the Self Certification for the metropolitan transportation planning process (*For Possible Action*)

Ms. Amy Cummings, RTC Deputy Executive Director, addressed the Board to give a presentation on the 5-year document which programs both federal and local funds for major projects. She said there was a 21-day public comment period as is required and only one comment was received.

Ms. Joanna Trieger submitted a letter in support of this item and suggests adding more buffered bike lanes where there currently are none, along with other ideas that were included in her letter and submitted for the record. Staff responded to Ms. Trieger and that response was also provided for the record.

Ms. Cummings continued, saying that, generally speaking, projects from the RTC's previous RTIP are being carried forward with the exception of completed projects which were removed. She then reviewed the additional projects that were included. Some of the projects that had been in design have been advanced for construction over the next five years, including Lemmon Drive, Sun Valley Blvd, Sparks Blvd., and Pyramid Highway. Also included is funding to purchase



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specialized maintenance equipment for the multi-use paths because the local jurisdictions do not currently have the required equipment to maintain them. The Sky Vista Pkwy. widening is included as is the NEPA phase of the Keystone Avenue improvements which were in a previous corridor study. Additionally, there are bus stop ADA signage markers, the US 395/Parr/Dandini interchange improvements (requested by NDOT), regional traffic calming improvements, and the BRT station improvements northbound at Parklane Mall and northbound at the Peppermill. Lastly, staff is going to look into moving the transfer station at Meadowood Mall to another location on the Mall property.

Both the Citizens Multimodal Advisory Committee and the Technical Advisory Committee recommended the RTIP for approval.

This item being a public hearing, Chairman Lucey opened the meeting to public input and called on anyone wishing to speak.

Mr. Daniel Inouye, local resident and acting director for the Washoe County Health District, Air Quality Management Division, addressed the Board in support of the RTIP because it includes many transportation plans to reduce vehicle miles traveled and has a direct effect on the federal ozone standard.

Ms. Dora Martinez, local resident, addressed the Board in support of the RTIP. She also requested that the drivers announce what route they are when pulling into 4<sup>th</sup> STREET STATION as she is visually impaired and it can be difficult to find the bus she needs. Ms. Martinez is also in support of the tactile markers on the signage as it would be very helpful when a route is changed due to construction. Lastly, Ms. Martinez mentioned again that some people are allowing their service dogs to get on the bus with no leash and it can be distracting to the other service animals. She suggests the RTC create a policy stating that dogs must be on a leash to board. She then thanked staff for the automatic bus stop announcements.

There being no one else wishing to speak, public input was closed.

Mayor Smith asked if the City of Sparks was aware of the fact that the RTC was purchasing the specialized equipment asked if it will be turned over to the City to use for their maintenance.

Ms. Cummings said the City staff is aware of the purchase and there will be an agreement for Sparks to use the equipment for the specialized maintenance areas.

On motion of Mayor Smith, seconded by Chairman Lucey, which motion carried unanimously, Chairman Lucey ordered that the resolution adopting the Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2020-2024 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP) and the Self Certification for the metropolitan transportation planning process be approved.

Ms. Cummings then recognized Mr. Dan Doenges, RTC Planning Manager, who was the lead in coordinating and developing this plan, working extensively with the staffs of all of the jurisdictions and partner agencies.

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***Item 5.1 thru 5.3 DIRECTOR REPORTS***

**5.1 RTC Executive Director Report**

RTC Executive Director (E.D.) Lee Gibson spoke briefly on the following topics, some of which were upcoming at the time of this meeting:

1. On July 1<sup>st</sup> the UNR and TMCC EDpass program was launched. This enables students, faculty and staff to use their school issued ID as a transit pass. In August, UNR ridership was 5,218 and TMCC ridership was 4,806 (August 2018 ridership was 955).
2. A study conducted by Wallet Hub has ranked Reno's public transit system eighth in the nation for best public transportation network. Reno was also rated number one in the nation for public transit resources.

Reno also ranked number one in the nation for public transit resources, which was determined based on route miles, number of buses operating in the service area, and the average lifetime miles per vehicle.

3. The FTA issued a Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for Transit Oriented Development Planning Grants, so the RTC will work with the local entities to determine potential interest.
4. RTC's SouthEast Connector (SEC) Project recently received national recognition. The National American Public Works Association awarded the SEC as Project of the Year for transportation projects over \$75 million. The award was then presented by Lonnie Johnson from American Public Works Association, Nevada Chapter.

**5.2 RTC Federal Report**

A written update is available in the staff report materials for this item and E.D. Gibson mentioned that the Senate Majority Leader, Mitch McConnell, is helping to move an appropriations bill before September 30<sup>th</sup>.

The budget and debt issue continues, but the president did sign an agreement that prevents cuts in non-defense discretionary spending, which would have cut approximately \$54 billion.

K. Jane Williams has been very complimentary of the RTC and its staff, and is pleased that we've been able to complete two Capital Investment Grant (CIG) projects while staying on schedule and on budget and delivering the projects within the scope limits provided in the agreements executed with them. More often than not, there are schedule delays and cost overruns in these type of projects, so her recognition meant that much more.

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Chairman Lucey added that he had also travelled to Washington DC with the team to participate in the meetings with the Department of Transportation and the FTA. He said the one thing that K. Jane Williams seemed to hone in on was Lee Gibson and his efforts to continue to lead a strong team and compile professionals and leaders in the transportation industry to bring these projects to fruition.

K. Jane said they knew all about Washoe RTC and what they have done.

Chairman Lucey expressed what a monumental accolade that is and it makes him very proud to be a member of the commission.

### **5.3 NDOT Director Report**

NDOT Director Kristina Swallow said she had been talking about their safety record across the state at the Transportation Board meetings and would like to do that with the RTCs as well. She then gave a short presentation which showed that in the state as a whole, fatalities on Nevada roadways have decreased from 226 in 2018 to 172, to date. in 2019. Unfortunately, pedestrian fatalities in Washoe County have doubled as compared to 2018.

Director Swallow then discussed revenues and expenses to date for the state. Revenues mostly come in from gas and diesel state and federal taxes. The average percentage of expenditures over the past 10 year period, by county, is Clark County 54%, Washoe County 18%, Other counties 27%.

Next, Dir. Swallow discussed the 2020 Annual Work Program (AWP), which was approved at the August Transportation Board meeting, and related distribution of funds. She then mentioned some of the projects which determined that distribution along with projects included in future work programs for the next three years.

Lastly, she explained how the annual work program actually works and offered to answer any questions.

Mayor Smith asked for an update on a crosswalk at Pyramid and Holden.

Dir. Swallow said she would have to get an update for him and didn't have it at this time.

Chairman Lucey asked how funding distribution for a project is determined and are shovel ready projects a consideration. He would also like to know why proposed projects are included in the calculations.

Dir. Swallow said the planned projects should actually be completed in the year the funding is planned in the AWP and it makes a difference in future budgeting.

Chairman Lucey would like to make sure projects that effect more than one county should be recognized as well.

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Dir. Swallow responded that the One Nevada Transportation Plan looks at statewide needs so allocations can be based upon those needs that are higher on the list and have more urgency.

Chairman Lucey also brought up improvements to highway 431 as a reminder of those needs. And on behalf of Commissioner Hartung, who was not in attendance, the Pyramid/Calle de la Plata issues, the lights out there and the speed limits. He asked if a follow-up report could be brought to the next meeting on those projects.

Vice Chair Jardon asked what the Director's vision is for the One Nevada Transportation Plan.

Dir. Swallow said she really doesn't know specifics, but said the starting point will be completely data driven. Once that part is completed, NDOT will work with the counties and their local entities and RTCs to narrow down the priorities for each region.

Chairman Lucey said that the needed improvements to highway 431 don't meet the criteria as he's told by the local entities. However, there have been several deadly accidents on that highway in the recent past and believes that consideration of "reasonable" projects should be at the table and not just data.

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**Item 6 PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION AND OPERATIONS**

6.1 Acknowledge receipt of the report on RTC RIDE Service Expansion Discussions; direct Staff accordingly *(For Possible Action)*

Mr. Mark Maloney, RTC Director of Public Transportation and Operations, addressed the Board to discuss service expansion and passenger needs as requested by Mayor Smith.

Chairman Lucey interrupted to say that he believes Commissioner Hartung should in attendance for this presentation and suggested that Item 6.1 be held over to the next meeting.

On motion of Vice Chair Jardon, seconded by Mayor Smith, which motion carried unanimously, Chairman Lucey ordered Item 6.1 be held over to the October 24, 2019, meeting..

**Item 7 ENGINEERING**

7.1 Acknowledge receipt of the Virginia Street Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Extension monthly progress report *(For Possible Action)*

Mr. Jeff Wilbrecht, RTC Project Manager, addressed the Board to provide a presentation update on the Virginia Street Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) project. He said a lot of progress has been made over the past month and reviewed specifics about preparation for paving, median work and said by the end of October or early November, the section between Mt. Rose and Plumb Lane will be significantly complete and open to traffic. They will progress north after that.

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Mr. Wilbrecht continued, saying that if you haven't seen some of the side street work, you should go take a look at it because it's a good representation of what Virginia Street will ultimately look like. There is one last side street to be completed in this first phase of the project. He added that the project is on schedule and the federal grant is in the 10-day congressional review period and should be signed very soon. Upon completion of his presentation, he offered to answer any questions.

Commissioner Delgado thanked staff for being so willing to answer anyone's questions and he's hearing nothing but good things from the public in that area.

On motion of Mayor Smith, seconded by Commissioner Delgado, which motion carried unanimously, Chairman Lucey ordered that receipt of the report be acknowledged.

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### **Item 8           MPO**

8.1     Acknowledge receipt of the NDOT Spaghetti Bowl Project monthly progress report and provide input accordingly *(For Possible Action)*

Ms. Jenica Keller, NDOT Project Manager, addressed the Board to provide a presentation update on the Spaghetti Bowl Express projects. She began by saying they had received approval from Union Pacific Railroad for the Design A submittal (30% design) and the next step is the Design B submittal (60% design) to the railroad. It is anticipated to be submitted by spring of 2020.

She added that local approval of the 408 permit for work in and around the Truckee River has been submitted to the US Army Corps of Engineers. Also, staff has been meeting with the various utilities for schedule coordination.

A Relocation Feasibility Study has been initiated for the Reno Housing Authority. The department will study options to provide housing for displaced persons residing at Mineral Manor. This study should be completed by June 2020.

Ms. Keller stressed that the NDOT staff has not stopped the forward progress of the Spaghetti Bowl Express project and it is ongoing. They have received an unsolicited proposal to design and build this project and currently, NDOT has a team of both internal and external technical experts reviewing the proposal. A recommendation is anticipated to be made at the Transportation Board in December and updates will continue for the RTC. She also mentioned the various steps that are required for an unsolicited proposal. Upon conclusion, she offered to answer any questions.

Vice Chair Jardon mentioned the previously proposed temporary, interim safety improvements, such as variable speed indicators based upon the traffic load. She said those temporary improvements had been pulled from the project as the project was progressing quickly. She then asked if those suggestions would be considered again now that the project is on a delay.

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Ms. Keller said she was not aware of an discussion about it going on but will look into it and bring that information to the next meeting.

Commissioner Delgado thanked NDOT and their staff for notifying residents who will be directly affected by the project. He appreciates the professionalism and in person contact.

On motion of Vice Chair Jardon, seconded by Mayor Smith, which motion carried unanimously, Chairman Lucey ordered that receipt of the report be acknowledged.

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**9.1 Legal Issues - Report, discussion and possible action and/or direction to legal counsel and staff following receipt of information on legal issues. The RTC may, consistent with Chapter 241 of NRS, decide to interrupt the public meeting at any time to conduct a closed session to confer with legal counsel and possibly deliberate on legal issues. Any action on pending legal matters will be made when the public meeting is reconvened.**

Legal Counsel Dale Ferguson said he had items he wished to communicate with the Board in a non-meeting immediately following the October 24, 2019, meeting.

**Item 10 PUBLIC INPUT**

Chairman Lucey opened the meeting to public input and called on anyone wishing to speak on topics relevant to the Regional Transportation Commission (RTC) that are not included in the current agenda.

Mr. Carlos Elizondo, local resident, addressed the Board to mention rudeness of RIDE drivers, that people are hanging around the transit center (4SS), and that there are too many buses on Virginia Street, one right behind the other.

There being no one else wishing to speak, the Chair closed public input.

**Item 11 MEMBER ITEMS**

Commissioner Delgado requested information pertaining to the Desert Skies Middle School and the Family Resource Center which has been moved into that school. There is currently no direct access via transit at this time, so if there is an opportunity for the RTC to work with the school district to get something put together for them, he thinks it would be a good idea.

Chairman Lucey mentioned the roundabout at the bottom of Geiger Grade at Veterans Pkwy. to NDOT Director Swallow, and specifically, the multiple family housing that is going in right next to it. There are concerns about the traffic load onto that roundabout and residents would like to know if the needed improvements will be made.

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Chairman Lucey also told Dir. Swallow about how the Virginia Street exit on I-580 northbound, just north of the South Meadows interchange, backs up onto the freeway all the way back to the South Meadows on-ramp. He asked if any improvements will be made for that issue because currently, the exit ends at a stop sign which causes the backup, so Chairman Lucey believes a stoplight should be installed to replace the stop sign to keep the flow of traffic moving.

The chairman then requested that an item be brought to a future meeting pertaining to Arrow Creek Pkwy. and the multi-family units being installed. He would like to know the timeline for improvements from South Virginia up to Thomas Creek in conjunction with the signalization of that intersection that the school district has mandated.

**Item 12      ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 10:15 a.m.

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BOB LUCEY, Chairman  
Regional Transportation Commission



October 24, 2019

**AGENDA ITEM 3.2**

**TO:** Regional Transportation Commission

**FROM:** Brian Stewart, P.E.  
Engineering Director

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Lee G. Gibson, AICP  
Executive Director

**SUBJECT: RTC Engineering Activity Report**

**RECOMMENDATION**

Acknowledge receipt of the monthly Engineering Activity Report.

**BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN IMPROVEMENTS**

Bus Stop Improvement and Connectivity Program

The program is a multi-year effort to upgrade existing bus stops to comply with state and federal requirements, including the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Design of the first phase is near completion with construction anticipated to begin later this year. Following approval of an amendment by the RTC Board that occurred last month, the design consultant, CA Group, Inc. has been authorized to begin design on the second phase of the project. A progress report presentation was provided at the August Board Meeting.

Center Street Cycle Track Project

The PSA with Headway Transportation was approved at the September Board Meeting. The scope of services for additional Traffic Analysis of the proposed alternative, which includes a two-way cycle track along Center Street from Cheney to 9<sup>th</sup> Street, is underway. Results are expected by the end of December 2019.

Keystone Avenue at California Avenue

The project was completed and opened to traffic before the first day of school. Wood Rodgers designed the project. Sierra Nevada Construction Company performed the construction that began on June 10, 2019. Warranties are in place and project close out continues. We are waiting on signal poles by which delivery was delayed due to Midwest flooding. After the install of the new signal poles, the project will be complete.

Mill Street (I-580 to McCarran Boulevard)

The scope of this project is to design and construct various complete street improvements along Mill Street from Terminal Way to McCarran Boulevard, as identified in the RTC Complete Streets Masterplan completed in July 2016, and the Mill/Terminal corridor study completed in March



2013. The emphasis of this project is to assess and identify improvements for pedestrians, bicyclists, and transit riders as well as motorists. Deficiencies in pedestrian access related to Charter Schools and AACT High School in the area as well as a number of ADA deficient bus stops have been addressed. Preliminary design is complete and 90% plan comments have been received from the agencies. The project will be split into three phases based on the estimated cost of construction. Phase 1 will be on the south side of Mill Street from Terminal to Rock Boulevard, Phase 2 will be on the south side of Mill Street from Rock to McCarran, and Phase 3 will include the north side of Mill Street from Terminal to McCarran. Right-of-way impacts have been identified and the right-of-way process for Phase 1 is beginning. It is anticipated the three phases will be constructed consecutively over a 5-year timeframe.

### **CAPACITY/CONGESTION RELIEF PROJECTS**

#### ITS Pilot Project, Design of Phase 2 ITS Connectivity

This pilot project will connect traffic signal systems of the City of Reno, the City of Sparks, Washoe County, and NDOT through fiber optic communication lines. This project also includes design of Phase 2A and 2B, which will expand communication to outlying signal systems and install ITS devices to monitor and remotely adjust traffic signals to respond to special events, changing traffic conditions, provide information to drivers and traffic incidents. Construction of the Pilot Project is complete. The ITS Phase 2A Project is complete. Phase 2B has been awarded to PAR Electrical Contractors, Inc. with construction scheduled for fall 2019.

#### Lemmon Drive Project

The project includes widening Lemmon Drive from US 395 to Military Road from four lanes to six lanes and widening Lemmon Drive from Fleetwood Drive to Chickadee Drive from two lanes to four lanes. At the September 20, 2019, Board meeting a Professional Services Agreement (PSA) was awarded to Jacobs Engineering Group, Inc., for engineering services. Existing conditions investigation is ongoing and will be completed by the end of the year. The RTC is working closely with Washoe County and the City of Reno to coordinate nearby regional improvements.

#### North Valleys Improvements

Package 3 will include installation of a new traffic signal at the Lemmon Drive/North Virginia Street intersection. Bids opened on May 9, 2019, with Sierra Nevada Construction awarded the contract. Underground work is complete with signal equipment scheduled to arrive mid November 2019.

Package 3B is currently at 90% design. Package 3B includes adding capacity to the right turn lane at North Virginia Street/Business 395. This project also includes improvements to two bus stop pads located within the project area, and associated access and drainage improvements. Construction of this package is tentatively scheduled for spring of 2020.

Pyramid and McCarran Intersection Improvement

The project is complete. RTC staff and consultants continue to work through final warranty items with the contractor and the City of Sparks. NDOT has provided relief of maintenance to Granite Construction and taken over maintenance responsibilities. The irrigation issues have been resolved and the Plant Establishment period ended on July 31, 2019. Final project closeout activities are underway. A dedication plaque to Senator Debbie Smith as a champion of the project was installed on one of the pyramid monuments on the northeast corner of the intersection.

Sparks Boulevard Project

The project seeks to increase safety, maintain roadway capacity, and improve bicycle and pedestrian facilities by widening Sparks Boulevard to six (6) lanes between Greg Street and Baring Boulevard. The procurement for the selection of engineering professional services is under consideration for RTC Board Approval.

Traffic Signal Coordination 5 Project

Following a three year cycle schedule, the project includes review and timing optimization of approximately one-third (1/3) of the signals in the region per year. For 2018, 92 intersections were re-timed. For 2019, nine corridors, roughly 230 intersections will have new timing implemented. Timing plans are developed in coordination with RTC/UNR. In the process, re-evaluation of the clearance intervals and pedestrian crossing times are calculated at each intersection to make sure it is up to current standards.

Process for signal retiming

1. Collect traffic & signal data
2. Input timings into model and evaluate existing signal timing & develop new timing
3. Implement timing in the field
4. Fine-tune timing
5. Conduct before-after studies

Completed Corridors (256 signals as of October 2019)

1. Wells Avenue – (Ryland Street to E. 9<sup>th</sup> Street)
2. Vista Boulevard – (Eastbound I-80 Off/On Ramps to S. Los Altos Parkway)
3. Sparks Boulevard – (Eastbound I-80 Off/On Ramps to Los Altos Parkway)
4. N. McCarran Boulevard/Clear Acre Lane – (Sutro Street to Sullivan/N. McCarran Boulevard to Scottsdale)
5. Pyramid Highway (Disc Dr. to Lazy 5)
6. Kietzke Ln/Mill Street – (Peckham Lane to Glendale Avenue/Kietzke Lane to Terminal Way)
7. W. McCarran Boulevard/Mae Anne – (Plumb Lane to W. 7<sup>th</sup> Street/W. McCarran to Sierra Highlands)
8. S. McCarran/Kietzke Lane/Virginia Street
  - a. On McCarran Blvd - Greensboro Drive to Mill Street
  - b. On Virginia St. – Kietzke Ln to S. McCarran Blvd
  - c. On Kietzke Ln. – S. Virginia St. to Sierra Rose Dr.
  - d. On Longley Ln – Peckham Ln to S. McCarran Blvd.

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9. Pyramid Way
  - a. I-80 to Sparks Blvd including two intersections of McCarran Boulevard at Rock Boulevard & 4<sup>th</sup> Street
10. Downtown Reno (45 signals)
11. Keystone Ave (6 Signals) – W. 7<sup>th</sup> St. to W. 1<sup>st</sup> St.
12. Damonte Ranch (7 signals) – Zolezzi Ln to Double R Blvd, and Double R Blvd at Double Diamond
13. Rock Blvd (9 signals) – Greg St to Prater Way
14. Sun Valley Blvd (6 Signals) – Dandini to 7<sup>th</sup> Ave
15. Sparks Isolated Intersections (33 Signals) – Various Signals
16. Prater Way – Galletti Way to 15<sup>th</sup> St (6 Signals)
17. Damonte Ranch/Steamboat – (4 Signals)
18. South Meadows Pkwy (5 signals) – Virginia St to Double R – New Timing Implementation Mid-June
19. California/Keystone (3 signals) – California Ave – Keystone Ave to Booth St, including Booth St/Foster St.
20. E McCarran Blvd (12 Signals) – Probasco to Greg St

Progress as of Mid-June 2019

- Sutro St (9 Signals) – New Timing implementation/fine-tune Late October
- S. Virginia St (19 Signals) – New Timing under fine-tune & final observations through October.

Traffic Engineering (TE) Spot 8 – Package 1 Project

The project awarded to Titan Electrical Contracting. Construction will begin in fall 2019.

The scope of this project includes:

Flashing Yellow Arrow – East/West

Keystone Avenue at 7<sup>th</sup> Street  
East Lincoln Way at Marina Gateway Drive  
Mill Street at Kirman Avenue

Flashing Yellow Arrow – North/South

McCarran Boulevard at Neil Road

Battery Back-Up Systems

Mae Anne Avenue at Coit Plaza  
Oddie Boulevard at I-80 Ramps (both sides)  
Wells Avenue at I-80 Ramps (both sides)  
Wells Avenue at 6<sup>th</sup> Street

Traffic Signal

Evans Avenue at Enterprise Road

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### Traffic Engineering (TE) Spot 8 – Package 2 Project

The project includes a new traffic signal at the intersection of Red Rock Road and Silver Lake Road and capacity improvements at the North McCarran Boulevard and U.S. 395 Interchange. The project opened bids on June 5, 2019, and Titan Electric is the apparent low bidder. A pre-construction meeting was held on July 24, 2019. Due to issues obtaining NDOT permits, construction of this project is slated to take place in spring 2020

### Traffic Engineering (TE) Spot 9 – Package 1 Project

The project includes:

- Traffic signal at the intersection of Sharlands Avenue and Mae Anne Avenue;
- Battery backup systems for signalized intersections on Sun Valley Drive from Scottsdale Road to 7<sup>th</sup> Street;
- Minor striping improvements to improve traffic flow at Pyramid Way at York Way; and
- Traffic study with potential improvement to southbound right turn lane at the intersection of Vista Boulevard and Baring Boulevard.

Design is scheduled for fall/winter 2019 with construction in late spring 2020.

### Traffic Engineering (TE) Spot 9 – Package 2 Project

The project includes various traffic updates throughout the Reno/Incline area:

- Traffic signal cabinet and camera upgrades at various intersections in the Reno area;
- New traffic signal at the intersection of Rock Boulevard/Edison Way; and a
- 4<sup>th</sup> Street/Mesa/Woodland intersection study for future improvements.

Kimley-Horn & Associates is the design consultants for this project. A kick-off meeting was held on October 14, 2019. Design will go through fall/winter 2019 with construction in the summer of 2020.

## **CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS**

### Arlington Bridges at Truckee River

The crossing of the Truckee River at Arlington Avenue has served the community of Reno and provided access to Wingfield Park for nearly a century. The bridges are showing signs of wear resulting from the variety of modifications over the years, their age, and the repeated exposure to flood events.

A feasibility and alternatives analysis has been initiated to determine options for the rehabilitation or replacement of the two Arlington Avenue Bridges to ensure continued public safety, to meet the needs of the community, and to provide the necessary flood conveyance for the Truckee River. This feasibility study will analyze the pedestrian access to the park and river, identify design and environmental constraints including traffic and flooding, and develop specific bridge concepts and aesthetic themes. To assist with the development and review of alternatives and concepts, the RTC will be conducting agency, stakeholder, and public outreach through one-on-one and at community public meetings.

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Public outreach activities continue in preparation for our first Public Meeting, tentatively scheduled for November 2019. A presentation was given to the RTC Board on May 20, 2019. The RTC and its consultant, Jacobs are planning to present the process and approach to the City of Reno Council at a meeting later this year.

### Oddie Boulevard/Wells Avenue Improvement Project

Sixty percent (60%) design plan submission to the cities of Reno and Sparks is scheduled for the end of October. A Public Meeting will be scheduled in November or December 2019. At the August 26, 2019, City of Reno Council Meeting, Reno Council supported staff recommendations regarding raised cycle track, the multi-use path, landscaping concepts, lighting, fencing and removal of the existing pedestrian bridge. RTC is working with UNR (Agricultural Farms between I-80 and Sadlier) to obtain an easement to accommodate the proposed 10-foot wide multi-use path.

### Pyramid Highway and US 395 Connection

The RTC and NDOT have entered into an agreement for design of Phase 1 of the project that includes capacity and multimodal improvements on Pyramid from Queen Way to Golden View Drive. NDOT has begun preliminary design activities. Design is anticipated to be complete in 2022. Construction of Phase 1 could begin in 2023. The RTC, with support from NDOT, completed and submitted a BUILD Grant application to the Department of Transportation seeking up to \$25 million for construction of Phase 1. Design and construction of the overall project is phased over approximately 20 years. The current estimated cost of the overall project is \$800 million and will relieve congestion on the Pyramid Highway, McCarran Boulevard and other regional roads and provide connectivity between the North Valleys, Sun Valley and Spanish Springs.

### Sun Valley Boulevard Corridor Improvement Project

Thirty percent (30%) design for the Washoe County section between 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Highland Ranch Parkway was submitted at the end of June 2019. Inadequate drainage systems to handle existing storm water flow is presenting project challenges along the NDOT portion of this project between El Rancho and 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Discussion for a possible partnership with NDOT and Washoe County is occurring in order to address existing the drainage issues and the project design. Maintenance of the proposed new facilities may also present challenges to Washoe County, NDOT, and Sun Valley General Improvement District (GID).

### Truckee River Shared Use Path Project

The proposed pathway will start at John Champion Memorial Park and continue along the south side of the Truckee River. The existing pathway in this segment of the river currently crosses to the north side of the river at the park as it continues eastward. The proposed pathway will be about 2,400 lineal feet in length, continuing below Interstate 580 (I-580) to meet up with the existing pathway located near the Walmart east of I-580. This project was included in the fiscal year (FY) 2017 Program of Projects. The design portion of this project is funded through federal funds and includes oversight by NDOT through a Local Public Agency (LPA) agreement.

Thirty percent design plans have been reviewed and work continues on the environmental documentation that is required for the project including a 408 permit that is required.

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### Virginia Street RAPID Extension

A detailed monthly progress report will be given on this project in October. Additional information can be viewed at: <http://virginiastreetproject.com/>

### **PAVEMENT PRESERVATION PROJECTS**

#### 2018 and 2019 Preventive Maintenance (Various Locations)

Both the 2018 and 2019 Preventive Maintenance Programs are now substantially complete. Between the two projects, approximately 300 lane miles of roads were microsurfaced including major roadways such as Vista Boulevard, Veterans Parkway, and Eagle Canyon. The Plumb Lane road diet from Arlington to Ferris was completed in mid-September and is functioning as intended. Punch list and crack sealing activities will continue through October.

#### Reno Consolidated 19-01- Sutro Street, 1<sup>st</sup> Street, Lake Street, and State Street Project

The project includes rehabilitation/reconstruction of the following street segments: Sutro Street from Commercial Row to 4<sup>th</sup> Street and from McCarran Boulevard to 1,400' north, 1<sup>st</sup> Street from Center to Lake, Lake Street Truckee River Bridge, and State Street from Virginia to Sinclair Street. Lake Street and 1<sup>st</sup> Street construction is complete and construction has begun on Sutro Street.

#### Reno Consolidated 19-02 – North Hills Boulevard and Hunter Lake Drive Project

Construction started on August 5, 2019, and will be complete by mid-November 2019. Q&D Construction was awarded the construction contract on July 10, 2019. Staff has been meeting with business owners and communicating the traffic control plans to the traveling public. Upon completion, North Hill Boulevard will be entirely reconstructed and new sidewalks will be in place on both sides of the road.

#### Reno Consolidated 19-03 – Sierra Highlands Drive, Colbert Drive, Hammill Lane, Ralston Street, and Ohm Place Project

The Professional Services Agreement for design and engineering during construction was awarded to Eastern Sierra Engineering (ESE). The project includes rehabilitation/reconstruction of the following street segments: Sierra Highlands Drive from the NDOT right-of-way on McCarran Boulevard to Idlebury Way; Colbert Drive from Longley Lane to 300 feet northwest of Longley Lane; Hammill Lane from Kietzke Lane to the eastern terminus; Ralston Street from University Terrace to Eleventh Street; and Ohm Place from Mill Street to 500 feet south. Construction is in different stages of completion on several of the streets listed above. Construction should be complete on all streets by mid-November.

#### Sparks Consolidated 19-01 – 15<sup>th</sup> Street, Franklin Way, Hulda Court, and El Rancho Sidewalk Project

The project includes rehabilitation/reconstruction of the following street segments: 15<sup>th</sup> Street from C Street to Prater Way, Franklin Way from the Rail Road crossing to East Greg Street, Hulda Court, and sidewalk improvements on El Rancho Drive from G Street to Oddie Boulevard. Construction on all streets listed above is substantially complete and the streets are open to traffic.

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Reno Consolidated 20-01 – Mayberry Drive, California Avenue, and First Street

The project includes rehabilitation/reconstruction of the following street segments: Mayberry Drive from Memory Lane to California Avenue, California Avenue from Westfield Avenue to Booth Street, and First Street from Arlington Avenue to Virginia Street. A Professional Services Agreement with Nichols Consulting Engineers (NCE) to provide design services and engineering during construction was approved during the September 20, 2019, RTC Board meeting. NCE has received authorization to begin design. Construction is anticipated to occur in 2021.

Golden Valley Road Rehab Project

The project includes rehabilitation/reconstruction of Golden Valley Road from Yorkshire Drive to North Virginia Street. Lumos & Associates is the consultant for Design and Engineering During Construction services. Preliminary design is underway. Final Design is anticipated to be complete by spring 2020. Construction is scheduled for next summer.

Greg Street Rehab Project

The project includes corrective maintenance of Greg Street from McCarran Boulevard to the Union Pacific Railroad Tracks. Wood Rodgers is the consultant for Design and Engineering During Construction. Final Design is anticipated to be complete by spring 2020. Construction is scheduled for early June 2020 with a scheduled completion in mid-August 2020.

Lakeside Drive Rehab Project

The project includes rehabilitation/reconstruction of Lakeside Drive from Evans Creek to McCarran Boulevard. Eastern Sierra Engineering is the consultant for Design and Engineering During Construction. Construction is scheduled for early June 2020 with a scheduled completion in mid-August 2020.

Prater Way Rehab Project

The project includes rehabilitation/reconstruction of Prater Way from Howard Drive to Sparks Boulevard. Stantec Consulting Services, Inc. is the consultant for design and engineering during construction. Construction is scheduled to start in March 2020 with a scheduled completion of August 2020. Preliminary design is underway and initial fieldwork is almost complete.

**REPORT ON NEGOTIATED SETTLEMENT AGREEMENTS FOR THE ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY**

<b>Project</b>	<b>Property Owner</b>	<b>Purchase Amount</b>	<b>Amount Over Appraisal</b>
Virginia Street BRT Extension	Martinique Holdings, LLC	\$6,334	\$0
Virginia Street BRT Extension	Bajwa Properties, LLC-Co-Ed Lodge Series	\$1,500,000	*\$125,000
Virginia Street BRT Extension	Ross Rentals, LTD.	\$1,320,000	*\$105,000
Virginia Street BRT Extension	Virginia Street Partners	\$12,000.00	\$3,742.00
Virginia Street BRT Extension	Sampuran Hotels, Inc.	\$12,205.00	\$1,275.00

\*August 16, 2019 RTC Commission approved the Administrative Settlements

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**CONTRACTS UNDER \$50,000**

None

**ENGINEERING ON-CALL WORK ASSIGNMENTS**

Attachment A summarizes the work assignments on the engineering pre-qualified on-call lists. Engineering Department consultant assignments are reported after Board approval of the professional services agreement with each firm.

**ADVISORY COMMITTEE(S) RECOMMENDATION**

There are no advisory committee recommendations pertaining to this agenda item.

Attachment





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**AGENDA ITEM 3.3**

**TO:** Regional Transportation Commission

**FROM:** Mark Maloney  
 Director of Public Transportation and  
 Operations

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Lee G. Gibson, AICP  
 Executive Director

**SUBJECT: RTC Public Transportation and Operations Report**

**RECOMMENDATION**

Acknowledge receipt of the monthly Public Transportation and Operations Report.

**HIGHLIGHTS**

**RTC Ranks 8<sup>th</sup> in Nation for Best Public Transportation**

- According to a new study by WalletHub, RTC’s transit service ranked 8<sup>th</sup> in the nation for best public transportation network. The study ranked 100 cities using 17 key metrics, including the share of commuters who use public transit, the average age of the fleet, safety, and peak hours spent in traffic congestion. RTC also ranked number one in the nation for ‘Public Transit Resources’ which indicates that RTC leads the nation in a combination of directional route miles per capita, service vehicles per capita (tied for 1<sup>st</sup>), lowest average age of fleet (1<sup>st</sup>), and lowest average lifetime miles of active fleet (3<sup>rd</sup>). Full details regarding the study can be found at <https://wallethub.com/edu/cities-with-the-best-worst-public-transportation/65028/>.



**Student Ridership Increases** - On July 1, the RTC launched the University of Nevada, Reno (UNR) and Truckee Meadows Community College (TMCC) Ed Pass. The Ed-Pass enables students, faculty and staff to use their school ID to use RTC's transit system. Since launching the Ed-Pass, total ridership for August 2019 reached 9,304 that includes 5,218 rides by UNR students and 4,086 rides by TMCC students. RTC anticipates these numbers will increase over the long term, and will continue to drive new ridership to RTC's transit services.

**RTC Organizes and Participates in Bomb Squad Training** – Between September 24-26, RTC and Keolis staff participated in a Bomb Squad Training exercise at the Regional Safety Training Center, and the RTC’s 6<sup>th</sup> Street Storage Facility. RTC and Keolis staff gave a briefing to members of local and statewide bomb squads and TSA.



RTC provided a Proterra electric bus for the training, and attendees were shown the potential hazards on electric buses



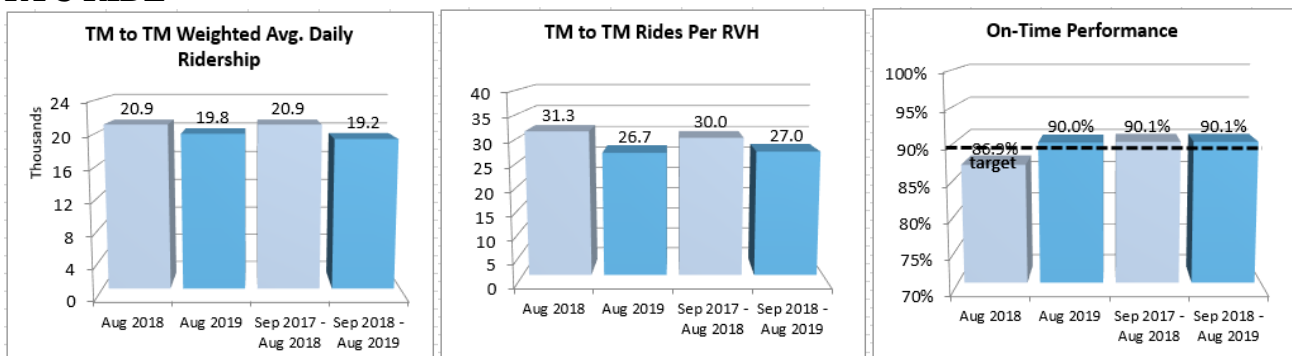
and discussed hazards in general on transit buses. Each squad was given a scenario in which they had to investigate and either diffuse or destroy an explosive device placed next to an RTC natural gas main at the Sutro facility. Bomb squad attendees also used a robot to practice entry into a retired bus. Rob Reeder, RTC’s Safety & Security Administrator, organized the event.

**TRANSIT DEMAND MANAGEMENT (TDM) UPDATE -**

- Vanpools increased to 188 with over 100 of those serving the Tahoe Reno Industrial Center (TRIC).
- Staff met with Nevada’s Department of Administration Public information office to create a “Spare the Air” type of event this winter.
- RTC shared a draft of its “Smart Trips 2 Work” program with the City of Reno for possible incorporation into a planning ordinance.

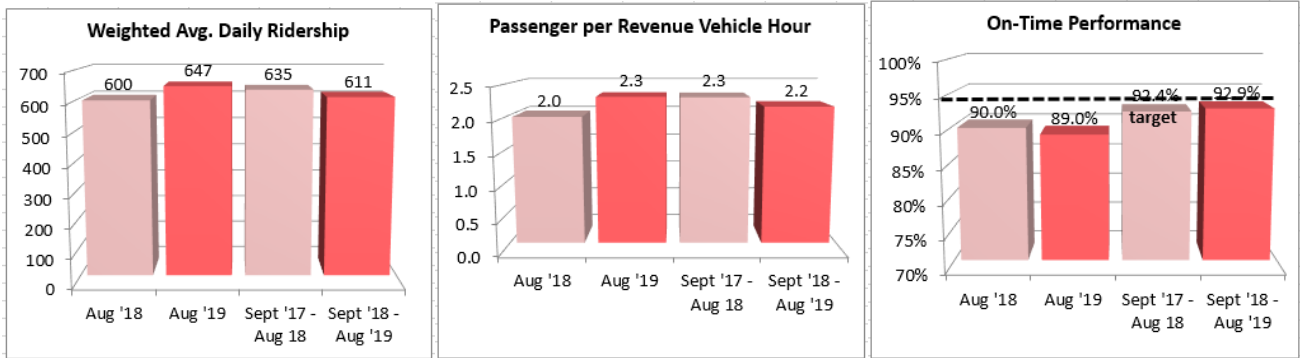
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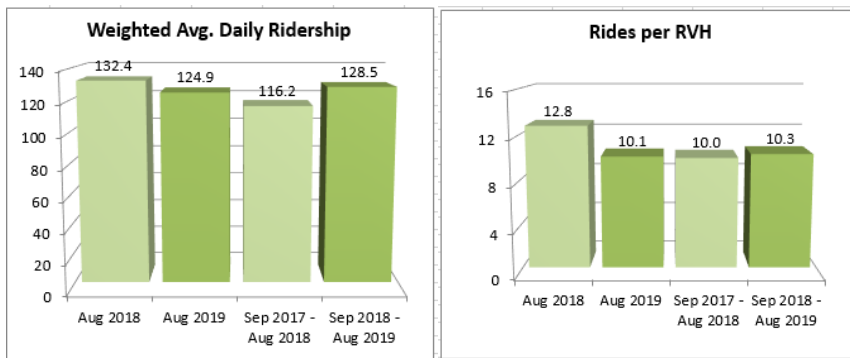


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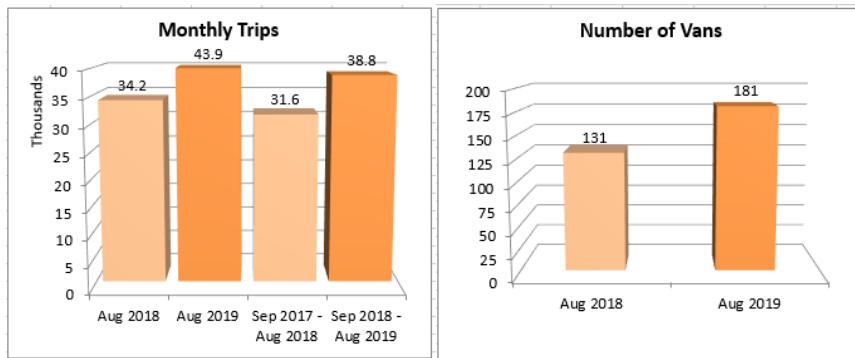
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**AGENDA ITEM 3.4**

**TO:** Regional Transportation Commission

**FROM:** Amy Cummings, AICP/LEED AP  
Director of Planning/Deputy  
Executive Director

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Lee G. Gibson, AICP  
Executive Director

**SUBJECT: RTC Planning Department Report**

**RECOMMENDATION**

Acknowledge receipt of the monthly Planning Activity Report.

**PLANNING STUDIES**

Virginia Street Bus RAPID Transit Extension Project

Staff continue to support community outreach efforts and provide technical support for the Small Starts process for this project. The Virginia Street project team continues extensive outreach activities with Midtown businesses and other stakeholders, identified under community outreach activities.

South Meadows Multimodal Transportation Study

The South Meadows Multimodal Transportation Study started in December 2018 and is moving forward. This multimodal study of the South Meadows area will identify needs and transportation improvements for regional roads in the study area. The study will focus on traffic operations, safety, pedestrian and bicycle connectivity, and transit service needs. The first public meeting for the project was held on March 26<sup>th</sup> at Damonte Ranch High School. The next public meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 5, 2019, at Zeppelin restaurant, located at 1445 South Meadows Parkway in Reno. Project progress will be updated on the RTC website under Metropolitan Planning, Corridor Studies.

University Area Multimodal Transportation Study

The University Area Multimodal Transportation Study started after the approval of the Professional Services Agreement with Kimley-Horn on March 19. This study will take into account the current and future development plans slated to occur on or near the university campus in the coming years and will identify needed connectivity, safety, and access improvements for vehicle and alternative transportation modes on regional roads. In addition, it will include an in-depth analysis of land use and roadway network scenarios in the UNR Gateway District.

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The project team met with staff from the University of Nevada, Reno and the City of Reno to discuss project details. The project Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) had a kick-off meeting on April 24<sup>th</sup>. The project team conducted Walking Audits in the study area to evaluate pedestrian walking environment and connectivity on May 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>. Pop-up meetings were held in front of the Joe Crowley Student Union building and in Idlewild Park for the Food Truck Friday Event to engage the community to provide their comments and concerns. The first public meeting was held on June 27<sup>th</sup> at Evelyn Mount North Northwest Community Center. An online public input survey was open until July 22<sup>nd</sup> to collect comments and concerns regarding transportation in the university area. A TAC workshop was held on September 9<sup>th</sup> to discuss future roadway network alternatives. The project team is reviewing workshop results and developing scenarios to conduct analysis on future conditions.

### ADA Transition Plan Update

The ADA Transition Plan internal draft has been completed and the RTC stakeholder team is in the process of reviewing and commenting on the draft report. Staff will be asking these different stakeholders to provide input and comment on the draft plan prior to it being finalized. Stakeholder meetings continue to take place on a monthly basis to update internal project stakeholders and provide input on the project. There will be a public open house on October 24, 2019, to share the final draft Plan with the public. This project is on schedule.

### Eagle Canyon Extension Alignment Alternatives and Planning and Environmental Linkages (PEL) Study

Staff held an internal kick-off meeting with the project consultants to discuss the details of the project scope and finalize a draft schedule.

### Bicycle and Pedestrian Planning

The RTC is collaborating with other partner agencies on several initiatives to improve bicycle and pedestrian safety & facilities:

- Bicycle and Pedestrian Count Program – The September counts for the 40 locations have been conducted.
- The RTC continues to partner with the Truckee Meadows Bicycle Alliance (TMBA).

### Vision Zero Truckee Meadows

- Vision Zero Truckee Meadows submitted their application to become a Vision Zero Community in September.
- Between July and September 2019, Resolutions adopting Vision Zero's Action Plan and goal to reach zero fatalities by 2030 was adopted by the Cities of Reno and Sparks, Washoe County Commission, Washoe County Board of Health and the RTC Board of Commissioners.
- Vision Zero Truckee Meadows is presented at the APA Conference October 14, 2019.
- The Task Force conducted a two-day Charrette at the 2019 State Safety Summit October 15 and 16.
- Vision Zero Truckee Meadows received Program of the Year at the 2019 Safety Summit on October 17, 2019.

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### MPO Certification Review

Staff completed the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Certification Review with the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) on September 25<sup>th</sup>. No corrective actions were received in the preliminary findings. It is anticipated that the formal results of the certification review will be presented to the Board at the January 17, 2020, meeting after the documentation has been finalized.

### Sustainability Planning

The RTC continues to advance initiatives outlined in the RTC Sustainability Plan through the “Green Team” comprised of agency staff, such as the Sustainable Purchasing Policy and the tracking of paper usage in an effort to achieve a ten percent reduction. The RTC also participates in the City of Reno Sustainability & Climate Advisory Committee and continues to be an active member in the regional SPINN Committee.

### RTC Affordable Housing Study

The project team has developed an inventory of potential candidate sites for affordable housing near transit routes and is conducting additional community outreach to gather input. A preliminary list of sites was presented to the RTC Technical Advisory Committee and Citizens Multimodal Advisory Committee, as well as the project stakeholder group. A summary of this information was presented at a public meeting held on September 12 at the McKinley Arts & Culture Center. The RTC shared information about the study at the Mayor’s Town Hall of Housing on September 4.

### Development Review

RTC staff routinely review development proposals from the local jurisdictions of Washoe County and the Cities of Reno and Sparks. Staff from Planning, Engineering, and Public Transportation have reviewed and commented on the following number of development proposals from each of the jurisdictions since the August Board meeting:

- Washoe County – 0
- City of Reno – 1
- City of Sparks – 0

This does not include proposals that were reviewed on which staff did not have any comments.

## **COMMUNITY AND MEDIA OUTREACH ACTIVITIES**

RTC staff has conducted or will conduct the following outreach activities from September 19 - October 31:

September 19	Affordable Housing Study Presentation – The Builders Association of Northern Nevada Infrastructure & Planning Committee Meeting
September 24	Washoe County Commission Meeting - RRIF 2nd reading, presentation, public hearing
September 25	Washoe County Senior Center Weekly Outreach Booth - Taxi Bucks and General Transportation Information

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September 25	School Zone Safety Vision Zero on Rush Hour Radio Show on AM 1180 and Facebook Live
September 26	Human Trafficking Awareness Presentation – Assemblywoman Jill Tolles and Reno Sparks Chamber of Commerce
September 26	APWA Nevada Chapter Fall Conference Public Works Communications and Outreach
September 26	APWA Nevada Chapter Fall Conference 4 <sup>th</sup> /Prater presentation
September 26	APWA Nevada Chapter Fall Conference SouthEast Connector Phase Two Presentation
October 2	Washoe County Senior Center Weekly Outreach Booth - Taxi Bucks and General Transportation Information
October 2	Walk to School Day at Jesse Beck Elementary
October 2	Reno City Council RRIF Presentation and Public Hearing
October 8	Washoe County Commission RRIF Presentation and Public Hearing (1 <sup>st</sup> reading of ordinance)
October 9	Washoe County Senior Center Weekly Outreach Booth - Taxi Bucks and General Transportation Information
October 10	Vision Zero Task Force Meeting
October 16	Vision Zero Safety Charrette at the Nugget Casino Resort
October 16	Washoe County Senior Center Weekly Outreach Booth - Taxi Bucks and General Transportation Information
October 21	Vision Zero Bicycle Safety Committee Meeting
October 22	Washoe County Commission RRIF Presentation and Public Hearing (2 <sup>nd</sup> reading of ordinance)
October 23	Washoe County Senior Center Weekly Outreach Booth - Taxi Bucks and General Transportation Information
October 24	ADA Transition Plan Community Meeting
October 24	Stuff A Bus for Children at Sam's Club
October 28	South Meadows Multimodal Transportation Study TAC Meeting
October 29	UNR Area Multimodal Transportation Study TAC Meeting
October 30	Washoe County Senior Center Weekly Outreach Booth - Taxi Bucks and General Transportation Information
October 30	Trunk or Treat Event, Traner Middle School

Media Relations & Social Media

The RTC issued 10 news releases and participated in 19 media interviews on various topics, such as the Virginia Street Project, including the \$40.4 million FTA Capital Investment Grant Award, the Affordable Housing Study, FlexRIDE microtransit service, Don't Drive Arrive service to the Reno Air Races, Don't Drive Arrive service to the Great Reno Balloon Race, the SouthEast Connector award for American Public Works Association's project of the year, Plumb Lane safety improvements, Plumb Lane closures for work on RTC's Villanova facility, Pyramid Highway Widening, and more.

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Social media was used to promote RTC's Road Ahead segments, Walk to School Day, how to support Midtown businesses during construction, Plumb Lane closures for repairs to the RTC's Villanova facility, Don't Drive Arrive to Nevada Wolf Pack home games, Midtown business Rue Bourbon's Oktoberfest event, Virginia Street project detours as the project moved north to Center Street, Plumb Lane improvements, the reopening of First/Lake Streets after construction, Downtown business Taste of Chicago's street reopening celebration, weekly Virginia Street Project update videos, and the RTC Board meeting.

Social media metrics for the month of September: 72,437 impressions on Facebook, Twitter, YouTube, and Instagram.

### Informational Materials and Video Production

Five topics were broadcast on KOLO-TV for The Road Ahead with RTC. Segments included a Virginia Street Project update, Walk to School Day, VANPOOL service, the RTC ADA Transition Plan upcoming meeting, and Stuff A Bus for Kids.

## **COORDINATION WITH PARTNER AGENCIES**

### Truckee Meadows Regional Planning Agency (TMRPA)

The RTC continues to have coordination meetings with staff from the TMRPA as the agencies progress with the Shared Work Program. Areas for collaboration include population and employment forecasts, the Regional Plan update, affordable housing studies, and analysis of demographic and socioeconomic issues.

### Nevada Department of Transportation (NDOT)

The RTC continues to have coordination meetings with staff from NDOT. Areas for collaboration include development of local public agency agreements between NDOT and RTC, maintenance of the regional travel demand model, bicycle and pedestrian improvements, transportation alternatives projects, coordination regarding funding and the State Transportation Improvement Program, One Nevada statewide plan, the I-80 and US 395 widening and improvements to the Spaghetti Bowl, and other ongoing transportation studies.

### Statewide Transportation Planning

The RTC meets monthly with staff from NDOT, the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), RTC of Southern Nevada, Tahoe Regional Planning Agency, Tahoe Transportation District and the Carson Area Metropolitan Planning Organization to discuss statewide transportation planning issues. Other topics addressed include statewide data for performance measures analysis, comments on proposed rulemaking, and reauthorization of federal transportation legislation.





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**AGENDA ITEM 3.5**

**TO:** Regional Transportation Commission

**FROM:** Stephanie Haddock, CGFM  
Director of Finance/CFO

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Lee G. Gibson, AICP  
Executive Director

**SUBJECT: RTC Procurement Activity Report**

**RECOMMENDATION**

Acknowledge receipt of the monthly Procurement Activity Report.

**PROJECTS CURRENTLY ADVERTISED**

<b><u>Invitations for Bids (IFB)</u></b>	
<b>Project</b>	<b>Due Date</b>
RTC 20-12 Snow and Ice Removal Services	October 17, 2019

**REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP)**

There were none..

**REPORT ON BID AWARDS**

*Per NRS 332, NRS 338 and RTC’s Management Policy P-13 “Purchasing,” the Executive Director has authority to negotiate and execute a contract with the lowest responsive and responsible bidder on an Invitation for Bid (IFB) without Commission approval.*

<b>Project</b>	<b>Contractor</b>	<b>Award Date</b>	<b>Contract Amount</b>
TE Spot 8 – Package 1	Titan Electrical Contracting	9/12/19	\$1,281,055

**CHANGE ORDERS AND AMENDMENTS WITHIN EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S AUTHORITY**

There were none.