# REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION CITIZENS MULTIMODAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

### Meeting Minutes Wednesday, October 7, 2020

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

### **CMAC Members Present**

Jeff Bonano Paul Malikowski
Chair, Vince Harris Mike Soszynski
Sigurd Jaunarajs Dora Martinez
Vice Chair, Jillian Keller Suraj Verma
Laura Azzam Alan Chun Chao
Harvey Katz Mauricio Urias
Lindsey Costello

#### **CMAC Members Absent**

Mayuko Majima Rudy Leon

### RTC Staff

Rebecca Kapuler Jim Gee

David CarrJennifer MeyersXuan WangDoug MaloyJacqueline MaldonadoMichael Moreno

### **CMAC Guest**

Meghan McPhillimy, LSC Transportation Consultants

The Citizens Multimodal Advisory Committee (CMAC) was conducted as a Virtual Meeting. The Chair, Vince Harris, called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

#### ITEM 1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved as submitted.

### ITEM 2. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments.

## ITEM 3. APPROVAL OF THE AUGUST 5, 2020 AND SEPTEMBER 2, 2020 MEETING MINUTES

The August 5, 2020 and September 2, 2020 meeting minutes were approved as submitted.

# ITEM 4. ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF A REPORT REGARDING THE UPDATE OF THE 2015 COORDINATED HUMAN SERVICES PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION PLAN (CTP)

Jennifer Meyers, RTC Transit Contact Administrator briefed the committee on the Coordinated Human Services Public Transportation Plan (CTP). She stated last month the representatives engaged in the development of the CTP, which will improve transportation coordination in the region for persons with disabilities/older adults and will establish funding priorities for the specialized transportation services. Jennifer Meyers introduced Meghan McPhillimy, Transportation Planner from LSC Transportation Consultants on behalf of the Project Manager, AT Stoddard. Meghan McPhillimy gave a presentation on the CTP updates, the survey and stakeholders key findings for the developments to the plan. She gave two preliminary recommendations one recommendation for the local coordinating councils to be formed and administered for the development of the plan and the updates to the plan. The second recommendation a one call, one click service center for enhancing transportation services. Meghan McPhillimy stated the CTP survey which, is on the RTC website had a good outcome with 154 English responses and 1 Spanish response. She stated a draft plan will be in progress and during the month of November, comments and recommendations will be conducted for the draft plan. The draft CTP will be presented during the upcoming 2050 RTP presentations.

Lindsey Costello recommended accessibility or if there is accessibility at bus stops that need to be addressed in the region in the study of the plan.

Meghan McPhillimy stated the bus stops data within the CTP was not collected in the update but can be looked at for Americans with Disability Act (ADA) accessibility and for conveniently bus stops location.

Rebecca Kapuler, RTC Senior Technical Planner stated that the ADA Transition Plan has been updated recently which, is on the RTC website and 360 of RTC bus stops were evaluated with data collected for the bus stops.

Vice Chair, Jillian Keller asked on the typical survey size amount for this area. Meghan McPhillimy, Transportation Planner from LSC Transportation Consultants stated in these challenging times for

feedback and in-person it was not possible for this survey and she was pleased with the 155 survey responses.

Vice Chair, Jillian Keller made a motion to acknowledged receipt of the report regarding the update of the 2015 Coordinated Human Services Public Transportation Plan (CTP).

Harvey Katz seconded.

The motion carried unanimously.

## ITEM 5. ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF A REPORT ON THE STATUS OF PROJECTS ADMINISTERED BY THE RTC ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

Doug Maloy, RTC Engineering Manager gave a presentation on the status of projects administered by the RTC Engineering Department. He provided information on the projects currently under development and design or construction which include: Lemmon Drive Capacity Improvements, Arlington Avenue Bridge Replacement, Oddie/Wells Corridor Multimodal Improvements, Sun Valley Boulevard Multimodal Improvements, Center Street Multimodal Improvements, Sparks Boulevard Capacity Improvements and Pyramid Highway/US 395 Connector Phase 1. Doug stated a \$23 million U.S. DOT Better Utilizing Investment to Leverage Development (BUILD) grant was awarded for the Pyramid Highway/US 395 connector project. The design and construction will be accelerated in order to obligate the funds per the grant requirements. The overall \$51 million project will also be funded with fuel tax, state funds and other federal funds. He stated the project is in design and construction will begin in 2023.

Harvey Katz recapped the Lemmon Drive Capacity improvements project and the \$50 million Lemmon flood zone funding cost and for the 1<sup>st</sup> phase of the project he requested the funding amount that will be used for the project. He also wanted to know the similarities if any on the Arlington Avenue Bridge Replacement Project and the Virginia Street Bridge Construction Project design support in the riverbed.

Doug Maloy stated the 1<sup>st</sup> phase of the Lemmon Drive Capacity improvements project is \$20 million in local and state funding. He stated the Arlington Avenue Bridge Replacement Project and the Virginia Street Bridge Construction Project have different hydraulics impacts to flooding and are not the same. Doug Maloy stated that different options are being looked at for the impacts to the river and flooding for the Arlington Avenue Bridge Replacement Project.

Positive feedback from the committee was given on the grants and the development and improvements on all the projects in design and construction. Laura Azzam requested to consider looking into the esthetics of the Arlington Avenue Bridge Replacement Project. Doug Maloy stated that esthetics will be considered in the selection and design of the bridge at Arlington Avenue.

Vice Chair, Jillian Keller requested the PowerPoint presentation for the projects given to be sent to the committee. Doug Maloy will provide the presentation to the committee as requested. A discussion continued on the multimodal improvements of the Oddie/Wells, Center Street and Pyramid Highway/US395 Connector phase1. Vice Chair, Jillian Keller asked to consider connectivity cycling resources to connect the Oddie/Wells and Center Street Cycle track connectivity. Vice Chair, Jillian Keller requested information on the Pyramid Highway/395 Connector phase 1 and the six lane improvements and if the lanes will be connected to the bike lanes or to the multi-use path and what the prioritization of the different type of bike lanes will be in place. Doug Maloy stated the bike lanes will be of the pavement, the new road will include curb and gutter and the multi-use path will be connected to the curb and gutter or separated.

Doug Maloy stated that the RTC is working with the City of Reno on east/west bicycle facilities in addition to Center Street and there may be other opportunities to connect to the Wells Avenue portion multiuse path. He stated the bicyclist communities are also in communication with RTC and they have requested and provided comments, for separated buffered bicycle facilities for all age groups to use. These comments and others will be compiled for prioritization of projects in the 2050 RTP.

Rebecca Kapuler stated RTC is working on a downtown connectivity plan and putting cycle tracks to each other which, data collection at the Victorian Square in Sparks, and Midtown and UNR data connectivity could be collected.

Dora Martinez made comments and concerns on 7<sup>th</sup> Street for RTC RIDE Route 4 bus stop at Canal and Genoa Street, specifically pavement concerns. She also stated she had concerns with her disabilities and the multi-use sidewalk, bike path and the bus stop on the RTC RIDE Route 21 at Nichols Boulevard across Western Village Casino. Doug Maloy stated he will contact the appropriate RTC staff to contact her about her comments and concerns of the sidewalks and bike lanes usage.

Chair, Vince Harris requested information on the elevated road in the flood plain of the Lemmon Drive Capacity Improvements. Doug Maloy stated about two to three feet length of the roadway will be raised of the improvements which, is required of the standard elevation for the project.

Harvey Katz made a motion to acknowledge receipt of a report on the status of projects administered by the RTC Engineering Department.

Jeff Bonano seconded.

The motion carried unanimously.

# ITEM 6. ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF A REPORT AND PROVIDE DIRECTION ON THE 2050 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN (RTP) PROJECT EVALUATION

Xuan Wang, RTC Senior Technical Planner gave a presentation on the 2050 RTP Project Evaluation. She stated the current RTP approval extends through May 21, 2021. Xuan Wang stated RTC received input from the community, survey through July 20, presentations to RTC committees, RPC, RPGB and jurisdiction staff in identifying projects for consideration in the 2050 RTP. She stated 2050 RTP project evaluation has scored each of the projects through an evaluation framework 1) Safety, 2) Congestion 3) Multimodal Connectivity, 4) Equity 5) Land use, 6) Pavement Condition, 7) Flood Mitigation, 8) Project Readiness and 10) Funding Criteria. Xuan Wang stated City of Reno gave recommendations to the downtown circulation study and the City of Sparks staff gave recommendations for safety improvements at the Sparks Industrial area and existing bike lanes, multimodal transportation improvements at Greg and McCarran Boulevard section and also a Park and Ride to the TRI Center. Recommendations and further direction will be provided in the upcoming 2050 RTP presentations.

Laura Azzam made a motion to acknowledge receipt of a report and provide direction on the 2050 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) Project evaluation.

Suraj Verma seconded.

The motion carried unanimously.

## ITEM 7. MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS/AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE CMAC MEETINGS.

Dora Martinez requested an agenda item presentation on the RTC ACCESS safety regulations and policies at the next meeting.

#### ITEM 8. RTC/RIDE/ACCESS STAFF ITEMS

Jim Gee, RTC Service Planning and Innovation Manager, made an announcement of two RTC Free Rides, one on November 3, 2020, for Election Day and the second one, on November 11, 2020, for Veteran's Day. He announced the new FLEXRIDE service launch date on October 24, 2020. He stated the new services will have live software and service app at Sparks/North Valleys/Spanish Springs/Verdi/Somersett areas.

Rebecca Kapuler announced that daylight savings is approaching and the next CMAC meeting will be a night meeting, on November 4, 2020. She also reminded everyone to be safe and visible when walking and biking. Rebecca Kapuler announced the #Dusk2DawnNV, a statewide Vision Zero Task Force campaign which, will begin soon.

### ITEM 9. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments.

### ITEM 10. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at approximately 6:37 p.m.