

# REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA

# Thursday, January 7, 2021 at 9:00 am Regional Transportation Commission 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Conference Room 1105 Terminal Way, Reno NV 89502

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

#### PUBLIC NOTICE

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

II. The Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) has a standing item for accepting public input on topics relevant to the jurisdiction of the RTC. Because specific items may be taken out of order to accommodate the public and/or the TAC, public input on all items will be received under Item 2. Individuals providing public input will be limited to three minutes. Members of the public may provide public comment and also comment on Agenda Items without being physically present at the meeting by submitting their comments via online Public Comment Form (<u>https://www.rtcwashoe.com/about/contact/contact-form/</u>), or by emailing their comments to: <u>rtcpubliccomments@rtcwashoe.com</u>. Public commenters may also leave a voicemail at (775) 335-0018. Comments received prior to 4:00 p.m. on January 6, 2021, will be entered into the record.

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

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

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

- **ITEM 1** Approval of Agenda (For Possible Action)
- **ITEM 2** Public Comment pursuant to paragraph II under Public Notice near the top of this page
- **ITEM 3** Approval of the December 3, 2020 Meeting Minutes (For Possible Action)
- **ITEM 4** Acknowledge Receipt of a Presentation on an Overview of the Regional Travel Demand Model and Consensus Forecast *(For Possible Action)*
- **ITEM 5** Acknowledge Receipt of a Report on the 2050 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) (For Possible Action)
- **ITEM 6** Development Updates (Informational Only)

# **ITEM 7** Member Items

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

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

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# **REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION** TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE **Meeting Minutes** Thursday, December 3, 2020

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

# **TAC Members Present**

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Dan Inouye	Washoe County Health District-Air Quality Management
	Division
Chris Tolley	Truckee Meadows Regional Planning Agency
Tara Smaltz	Nevada Department of Transportation
Sandy Freund	Washoe County School District
Lissa Butterfield	Reno-Tahoe Airport Authority
Elaine Wiseman	Reno-Sparks Indian Colony
Kurt Dietrich	City of Reno Public Works
Ian Crittenden	City of Sparks Community Services
Chair, Jeff Borchardt	City of Reno Community Development
Vice Chair Julee Olander	Washoe County Community Services
Enos Han	Federal Highway Administration

# **RTC Staff**

Amy Cummings
Jim Gee
Stephanie Haddock
Jennifer Meyers
Mark Maloney
Rebecca Kapuler
Jacqueline Maldonado

Dan Doenges David Carr David Keller Xuan Wang James Weston Scott Gibson

# **TAC Guest**

The Technical Advisory Committee meeting was conducted as a Virtual Meeting. The meeting was called to order at 9:03 a.m. by the Chair, Jeff Borchardt.

#### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA** ITEM 1.

The agenda was approved as submitted.

#### ITEM 2. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

There were no public comments.

# ITEM 3. APPROVAL OF THE NOVEMBER 5, 2020 MEETING MINUTES

The TAC November 5, 2020 meeting minutes were approved with corrections.

# ITEM 4. ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF A REPORT ON THE 2050 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN (RTP) AND PROVIDE INPUT

Amy Cummings, RTC Deputy Executive Director/Director of Planning gave a presentation on the 2050 RTP updates and to provide input from the TAC. A copy of the PowerPoint presentation is on file at the RTC Metropolitan Planning Department. She began her presentation with the transit vision. She asked for input on the vision project improvements.

Sandy Freund joined the meeting at approximately 9:11 a.m. and Elaine Wiseman, Adam Spear, Stephanie Haddock and Michael Mischel at approximately 9:14 a.m. Vice Chair, Julee Olander joined at approximately 9:17 a.m. and Suzanne Linfante joined at approximately 9:19 a.m.

Sandy Freund requested bike shelters to be proposed. Amy Cummings stated that there are no covered by parking or bike lockers proposed at this time.

Chris Tolley requested utilizing the TMRPA Master Plan and local agencies for the transit system review and comments. Amy Cummings stated RTC is coordinating with the 2050 RTP AWG and the other committees as needed and upcoming updates for the Short Range Transit Plan (SRTP) are underway for further collaboration. Chair, Jeff Borchardt stated the City of Reno also has added the Downtown Circulation Study Project to the City of Reno's Master Plan update and he mentioned the the mixed used lanes projects for the BRT Virginia Street Project is included too. Chair, Jeff Borchardt requested the mobility bike lockers for bike parking which, Amy Cummings presented in her presentation as unfunded on this update of proposed project improvements.

Amy Cummings continued her presentation with the updates to the preliminary roadway projects. She stated 200 projects will be reviewed in the upcoming live surveys for the 2050 RTP which, are underway in the upcoming two weeks for input to the preliminary roadway projects. Chair, Jeff Borchardt commended RTC on the Virtual public meeting for the Downtown Circulation Study.

Chris Tolley made a motion to acknowledge receipt of a report on the 2050 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) and provide input

Kurt Dietrich seconded.

The motion carried unanimously.

# ITEM 5. DEVELOPMENT UPDATES

Chair, Jeff Borchardt gave development updates for the City of Reno of the Sentara Velocity Project on the South side of I-80.

Vice Chair, Julee Olander gave development updates for the Washoe County of 111 Units at Cold Springs in the North Valleys which, will go to the commission in January.

# ITEM 6. MEMBER ITEMS

Chair, Jeff Borchardt gave a member item on the completion of the City of Reno Zoning Code updates which, will go to the council on December 9, 2020 and in January 13, 2021 for final adoption of the plan.

Kurt Dietrich gave a member item on the traffic engineering projects at the South Virginia Corridor and a signal timing project there also. He stated there is an upcoming signal project at Plumb Lane.

# ITEM 7. AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE TAC MEETINGS

Dan Doenges gave an agenda item for the Travel Demand Model updates.

# ITEM 8. RTC STAFF ITEMS

Jennifer Meyers, RTC Contract Administrator thanked the TAC for their input on the CTP updates and the process for the final draft report which, will be presented at the RTC Board meeting in December.

# ITEM 9. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments given.

# ITEM 10. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:34 a.m.



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# **AGENDA ITEM 4**

TO:	Technical Advisory Committee
FROM:	Xuan Wang RTC Senior Technical Planner

RTC Senior Technical Planner Jeremy Smith TMRPA Director of Regional Planning

# SUBJECT: Overview of the Regional Travel Demand Model and Consensus Forecast

# **RECOMMENDATION**

Acknowledge receipt of a presentation on an Overview of the Regional Travel Demand Model and Consensus Forecast

# **SUMMARY**

Staff will provide the Committee with an overview of the regional travel demand model and consensus forecast. The RTC travel demand model is a professionally developed analytical tool used in many transportation planning and engineering approaches, including long range transportation plans, corridor studies, traffic forecasts, air quality analysis and so on. The RTC travel demand model operates on the TransCAD platform, and was calibrated based on the data collected in 2015. The RTC conducted the 2015 Regional Travel Characteristics Survey to obtain statistically significant; high-quality travel characteristics data for the Washoe County Metropolitan Planning Area to update, calibrate and validate the RTC's activity based travel demand model for the 2015 base year. The presentation will give an overview of the travel demand model and the travel characteristics survey, as well as a demonstration of the land use data and forecast development by the TMRPA. Staff will also discuss how the travel demand model supports the development of the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP).



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# AGENDA ITEM 5

**TO:** Technical Advisory Committee

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

# SUBJECT: 2050 Regional Transportation Plan Project Evaluation

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

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

#### **SUMMARY**

The 2050 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) is the RTC's long-range transportation plan as required under Title 23, Part 450 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR). It contains major transportation projects and programs for Washoe County for all modes of travel. It functions as the major tool for implementing long-range transportation planning.

The RTC issued a call for projects in an effort to seek agency and public input about projects to consider in the 2050 RTP. The RTC implemented an online survey to seek input from the public on potential new projects, which was open from June 22 through July 20, 2020.

The RTC is evaluating these suggestions, as well as projects in existing plans and studies, for consideration in the 2050 Regional Transportation Plan. A virtual public meeting and online survey are open from December 17 through January 14 to gather community feedback regarding the evaluation and prioritization of projects. Evaluation of the projects will be finalized upon completion of the community outreach process and adoption by the RTC Board.

The online survey is divided into four parts to allow for the ranking of comparable projects. These categories facilitate a more user-friendly survey format. The categories are freeway projects, multimodal projects with no new road capacity, capacity projects on existing regional roads, and construction of new regional roads.