

# REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE **MEETING AGENDA**

# Wednesday, March 6, 2019 at 9:00 am **Regional Transportation Commission** 1st Floor Conference Room 1105 Terminal Way. Reno NV 89502

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- 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 February 6, 2019 Meeting Minutes (For Possible Action)
- ITEM 4 Recommend approval of the proposed Amendment No. 2 to the Regional Transportation Improvement Plan (RTIP) (For Possible Action)
- Acknowledge receipt of the proposed Mircotransit Pilot Project (For Possible Action) ITEM 5
- ITEM 6 Recommend tasks for the Fiscal Years 2020-2021 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) (For Possible Action)
- ITEM 7 Acknowledge receipt of report on the Regional Bikeshare Pilot Program (For Possible Action)
- ITEM 8 Development Updates (Informational Only)
- ITEM 9 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
- i) Reno-Sparks Indian Colony (RSIC)

ITEM 10 Agenda Items for Future TAC Meetings (For Possible Action) ITEM 11 RTC Staff Items (Informational Only) ITEM 12 Public Comment - please read paragraph II near the top of this page ITEM 13 Adjournment (For Possible Action) The Committee may take action on any item noted for possible action Posting locations: Washoe Co. Admin. Bldg., 1001 E. 9th St., Reno, NV; RTC, 1105 Terminal Way, Reno, NV; 4th STREET STATION, 200 E. 4th St., Reno, NV; CENTENNIAL PLAZA, Victorian Square, Sparks, NV; Sparks City Hall, 431 Prater Way, Sparks, NV; Reno City Hall, 1 E. First St., Reno, NV; Incline Village General Imp. Dist., 893 Southwood Blvd., Incline Village, NV; area press & media via fax; RTC website: www.rtcwashoe.com, State website:

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# REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

## **Meeting Minutes**

## Wednesday, February 6, 2019

#### **Attendees**

Daniel Inouye Washoe County Health District-Air Quality Management

Division

Kurt Dietrich City of Reno Community Development
Aric Jensen City of Reno Community Development
Sienna Reid City of Reno Community Development

Washoe County Community Services

Mitchell Fink Washoe County Community Services

Chris Tolley Truckee Meadows Regional Planning Agency

Scott Carey Reno-Sparks Indian Colony Jon Ericson City of Sparks, Public Works

## RTC Staff

Amy Cummings Scott Miklos

Rebecca Kapuler Mark Maloney

Tina Wu

Dan Doenges
Julie Masterpool
Stephanie Haddock
Jacqueline Maldonado

#### Guests

Bill Thompson, NDOT

Travis Truhill, City of Reno

Dan Anderson, Cambridge Systematics

Mike, City of Reno

Amber Sosa, City of Sparks

The Committee met in the First Floor Conference Room, 1105 Terminal Way, Reno, Nevada. The meeting was called to order at 9:07 a.m. by the Vice-Chair, Jon Ericson.

## 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 NOVEMBER 7, 2019 MEETING MINUTES

The minutes of the TAC meeting November 7, 2019, meeting minutes were approved as submitted.

# ITEM 4. ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF A PRESENTATION ON THE NEVADA TRUCK PARKING IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

Dan Andersen, Cambridge Systematics gave a presentation on the Truck Parking Implementation Plan. A copy of the PowerPoint presentation is on file at the RTC Metropolitan Planning Department. He then asked if there were any questions. A discussion followed on the implementation plan.

The committee acknowledged the presentation on the Nevada Truck Parking Implementation Plan.

# ITEM 5. RECOMMEND TASKS FOR THE FISCAL YEARS 2020-2021 UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM (UPWP)

Dan Doenges, RTC Planning Manager briefed the committee on the tasks for Fiscal Years 2020-2021 UPWP. He then asked for feedback on the upcoming tasks for the UPWP 2020-2021. He stated that the RTP is underway and new studies which, include an Electric Fleet Readiness Plan. A discussion followed on the time frame of the draft UPWP for approval to the RTC Board in May.

Scott Carey made a motion to recommend tasks for the Fiscal years 2020-2021 UPWP.

Chris Tolley seconded.

The motion carried unanimously.

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

Molly Obrien, Kimley-Horn & Associates gave a presentation on the ADA Transition Plan Update. A copy of the PowerPoint presentation is on file at the RTC Metropolitan Planning Department. She stated in September 2018, the plan was presented to RTC committees and other outreach meetings for the ADA Transition Plan update which, will be finalized in the summer 2019. She then asked if there were any questions. Recommendations and a discussion continued on the transit stops and the plan updates.

Jon Ericson made a motion to acknowledge receipt of the presentation on the ADA Transition Plan Update.

Chris seconded.

The motion carried unanimously.

# ITEM 7. ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF A PRESENTATION ON AN UPDATE OF VISION ZERO TRUCKEE MEADOWS

Rebecca Kapuler, RTC Planner gave a presentation on the Vision Zero Truckee Meadows update. A copy of the PowerPoint presentation is on file at the RTC Metropolitan Planning Department. She presented a video for the Northern Nevada Vision Zero. She then asked if there were any questions. A discussion continued on the Vision Zero survey and crash data that was collected.

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

Kurt Dietrich seconded.

The motion carried unanimously.

# ITEM 8. ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF A PRESENTATION ON THE SNOW REMOVAL AND MAINTENANCE OPERATIONS FOR RTC TRANSIT STOPS

Rebecca Kapuler, RTC Planner gave a presentation on the snow removal and maintenance operations for RTC transit stops. She asked if there were any questions.

Jon made a recommendation of debris on the south side of Victorian Avenue RTC Transit stops removal and a discussion followed of the ordinances.

Scott Carey made a motion to acknowledge receipt of the presentation on the snow removal and maintenance operation for RTC transit stops.

Jon seconded.

The motion carried unanimously.

# ITEM 9. ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF A PRESENTATION ON THE 2018 BICYCLE & PEDESTRIAN DATA COLLECTION ANNUAL REPORT

Dan Doenges, RTC Planning Manager gave a presentation on the 2018 Bicycle & Pedestrian Data Collection Annual Report. A copy of the PowerPoint presentation is on file at the RTC Metropolitan Planning Department. He stated the report is on the RTC website for review. A discussion on the report followed.

Jon made a motion to acknowledge the presentation on the 2018 Bicycle & Pedestrian Data Collection Annual Report.

Chris seconded.

The motion carried unanimously.

#### ITEM 10. DEVELOPMENT UPDATES

Jon, City of Sparks gave development updates for the City of Sparks at Copper Canyon, Spanish Springs and multi-family developments and other downtown Sparks developments underway.

Mitchell Fink, City of Reno gave development updates for Stonegate and North Valleys and Parklane multi-family developments for City of Reno.

#### ITEM 11. MEMBER ITEMS

Jon announced that this was his last TAC meeting and Amber Sosa, City of Sparks would be replacing him.

Dan Inouye, AQ-MD gave updates for Washoe County in support to the City of Reno Master Plan update and the Ozone Standards.

Chris, TMRPA updated the committee that regional plan map updates are underway.

Scott gave updates on Lime Bike Share Program and RSIC's coordination with NDOT on the I-80 Spaghetti Bowl Project.

#### ITEM 12. AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE TAC MEETINGS

There were no items given.

#### ITEM 13. RTC STAFF ITEMS

Rebecca announced the Vision Zero committee will be meeting on next Tuesday.

#### ITEM 14. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments given.

#### ITEM 15. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:23 a.m.

March 6, 2019 <u>AGENDA ITEM 4</u>

**TO:** Technical Advisory Committee

**FROM:** Dan Doenges, PTP, RSP

Planning Manager

SUBJECT: Regional Transportation Improvement Plan (RTIP) Amendment No. 2

### RECOMMENDATION

Recommend approval of the proposed Amendment No. 2 to the Regional Transportation Improvement Plan (RTIP).

### **SUMMARY**

RTC staff is proposing Amendment 2 to the RTIP to add several projects being implemented by the Nevada Department of Transportation (NDOT), including intersection safety projects on McCarran Boulevard, construction of a roundabout at McCarran Boulevard and Baring Boulevard, pedestrian improvements on SR447 in Wadsworth, and data improvement projects for the Sparks and University of Nevada, Reno (UNR) Police Departments. In addition, the RTC is proposing inclusion of the Universal Access Transit Pass (U-Pass) program with UNR to provide unlimited access to RTC RIDE transit routes for university students, faculty, and staff.

An air quality analysis for the proposed amendment was not required as none of the projects are capacity improvements. All of the proposed projects are operational, pedestrian safety, of data improvement projects, and are exempt from air quality analysis.

The public comment period for the amendment began on February 22 and closes on March 14. A public hearing will be held at the RTC Board meeting on March 15.

Attachments

Description: Construct roundabout

#### **Transportation Improvement Program FFY 2018-2022 Amendment 2**

#### **6 Projects Listed**

WA20180096 (Ver 1) 19-03 FEDERAL

Title: SR 659 Construct Roundabout McCarran Blvd

Project Type: Other Misc. AQ: Exempt Tcm: No NDOT: District 2

County: Washoe Limits: Primary Crossstreet: McCarran Blvd, Secondary Crossstreet: Baring Blvd

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FED FY	Revenue Source	PE	ROW	CON	OTHER	TOTAL
2019	HSIP	\$0	\$0	\$2,850,000	\$0	\$2,850,000
2019	State Match - Nv	\$0	\$0	\$150,000	\$0	\$150,000
2019-2023 TOTAL		\$0	\$0	\$3,000,000	\$0	\$3,000,000
	ALL YEARS TOTAL	\$0	\$0	\$3,000,000	\$0	\$3,000,000

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WA20180097 (Ver 1) 19-03 FEDERAL

Title: SR 659 Intersection Safety Improvements McCarran Blvd

Description: Intersection improvements, reconstructing slip lanes, and buffered bike lane

Project Type: Other Misc.

AQ: Exempt, All Projects - Intersection channelization projects.

County: Washoe Limits: Primary Crossstreet: Greg, Secondary Crossstreet: Prater Way

FED FY Revenue Source PE ROW CON OTHER

2019	HSIP	\$0	\$0	\$2,850,000	\$0	\$2,850,000
2019	State Match - Nv	\$0	\$0	\$150,000	\$0	\$150,000
	2019-2023 TOTAL	\$0	\$0	\$3,000,000	\$0	\$3,000,000
	ALL YEARS TOTAL	\$0	\$0	\$3,000,000	\$0	\$3,000,000

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TCM: No NDOT: District 2

TOTAL

#### **Transportation Improvement Program FFY 2018-2022 Amendment 2**

#### **6 Projects Listed**

WA20180098 (Ver 1) 19-03 FEDERAL

Title: SR 447 Install Pedestrian and Safety Improvements Pyramid Lake Paiute Community Of Wadsworth

Description: Install pedestrian and safety improvements

Project Type: Pedestrian AQ: Exempt, Safety - Safety Improvement Program.

TCM: No NDOT: District 2

County: Washoe

Limits: Nearest Crossstreet: Wadsworth

FED FY	Revenue Source	PE	ROW	CON	OTHER	TOTAL
2020	HSIP	\$50,000	\$0	\$0	\$500,000	\$550,000
2020	Local Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$475,000	\$475,000
2020	State Match - Nv	\$2,500	\$0	\$0	\$25,000	\$27,500
	2019-2023 TOTAL	\$52,500	\$0	\$0	\$1,000,000	\$1,052,500
	ALL YEARS TOTAL	\$52,500	\$0	\$0	\$1,000,000	\$1,052,500

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WA20180099 (Ver 1) 19-03

Title: City of Sparks Police Department Data Improvement and Upgrade

Description: Data improvement and upgrading

Project Type: Study/Planning AQ: Exempt, Safety - Safety Improvement Program.

TCM: No NDOT: District 2

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County: Washoe

Limits: Not Location Specific

FED FY	Revenue Source	PE	ROW	CON	OTHER	TOTAL
2019	HSIP	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$61,348	\$61,348
2019	Local Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$3,229	\$3,229
2019-2023 TOTAL		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$64,577	\$64,577
	ALL YEARS TOTAL	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$64,577	\$64,577

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#### **Transportation Improvement Program FFY 2018-2022 Amendment 2**

WA20180103 (Ver 1) 19-03 FEDERAL

Title: UNR Police Department Data Improvement and Upgrade Description: Data improvement and upgrading

Project Type: Study/Planning AQ: Exempt, Safety - Safety Improvement Program.

TCM: No NDOT: District 2

County: Washoe

Limits: Not Location Specific

FED FY	Revenue Source	PE	ROW	CON	OTHER	TOTAL
2019	HSIP	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$17,267	\$17,267
2019	Local Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$909	\$909
2019-2023 TOTAL		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$18,176	\$18,176
	ALL YEARS TOTAL	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$18,176	\$18,176

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WA20190002 (Ver 1) 19-03 FEDERAL

Title: U-Pass Start-up Program

Description: Seed money to establish a Universal Access Transit Pass (U-Pass) program with the University of Nevada, Reno (UNR) to provide unlimited access to RTC RIDE transit routes.

Project Type: Transit - Other AQ: Exempt, Mass Transit - Transit operating assistance.

TCM: No NDOT: District 2

County: Washoe

Limits: Not Location Specific

FED FY	Revenue Source	PE	ROW	CON	OTHER	TOTAL
2019	CMAQ - Washoe County	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$76,000	\$76,000
2019	Local Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$4,000	\$4,000
2019-2023 TOTAL		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$80,000	\$80,000
	ALL YEARS TOTAL	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$80,000	\$80,000

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Lead Agency RTC Washoe

March 6, 2019 <u>AGENDA ITEM 5</u>

**TO:** Technical Advisory Committee

**FROM:** Michael Dulude

Transit Planner / Scheduler

**SUBJECT:** Microtransit Pilot Project

## **RECOMMENDATION**

Acknowledge receipt of the proposed Mircotransit Pilot Project.

#### **SUMMARY**

Over the past year staff has been evaluating the potential for microtransit, an emerging trend in public transportation designed to serve lower density areas of the community more effectively than transitional fixed-route service. With the use of mobile communication, microtransit is equivalent to a public version of a Transportation Network Company (TNC) such as Uber or LYFT, and employs the same technology in use by the TNC's. Two regions within the RTC RIDE service area were evaluated for a potential pilot, north Reno and northeast downtown Sparks. The northeastern downtown Sparks, currently served by Routes 25 & 26, was determined to offer the greatest potential. A number of public outreach events were held to explain the microtransit concept including surveying passengers on every trip operated by the two existing routes. Of those passengers surveyed, 62% responded favorably or extremely favorably to the concept of microtransit replacing the existing fixed-route service. More recently, staff held two open houses at the end of January to describe the proposed pilot project in greater detail. After the open houses support for microtransit improved to 81.3% who were either favorable or extremely favorable to having the microtransit service. Overall, the proposed microtransit pilot, FlexRIDE, was well received by the public.

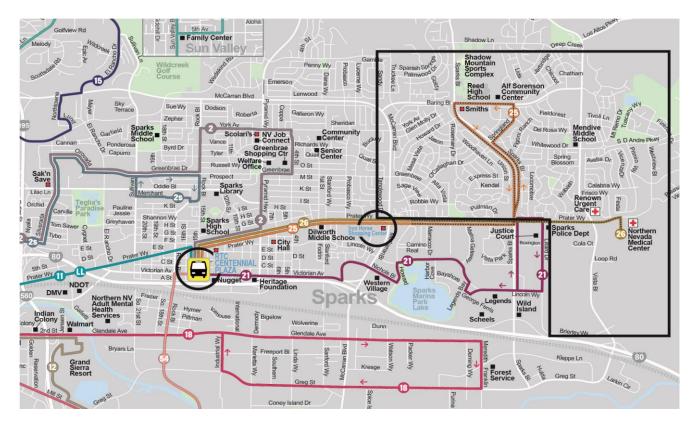
A final recommendation for the pilot project will be refined through continued input from the Board, the public, RTC RIDE passengers, and bus operators, and presented for approval at a public hearing scheduled for the March 15, 2019 meeting.

#### ADDITIONAL BACKGROUND

**Microtransit Demonstration Project** – With the advent of new technology, transit agencies are exploring the microtransit concept, which is equivalent to the public transit version a 'transportation network company' (TNC) (e.g., similar to Uber or LYFT) and employs the same technology in use by the TNC's. Since this concept and technology is so new to the transit

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industry there are few real world examples to learn from. RTC contracted with Translöc, a firm that specializes in helping agencies plan and model microtransit in their community. With the help of Translöc two areas were modeled: 1) Reno north valleys (Stead, Lemmon and Golden Valley); and 2) northeast downtown Sparks. The results of these modeling efforts suggested the potential for success was much greater in Sparks than in the Reno north valleys. The Sparks model was refined to show that with just two vehicles an expanded area could be successfully covered while keeping wait times down to under 15 minutes for ride requests. A pilot 6-month project to introduce microtransit to our region is proposed for northeast downtown Sparks as a replacement for a portion of Routes 25 and 26 respectively shown in the black box below.

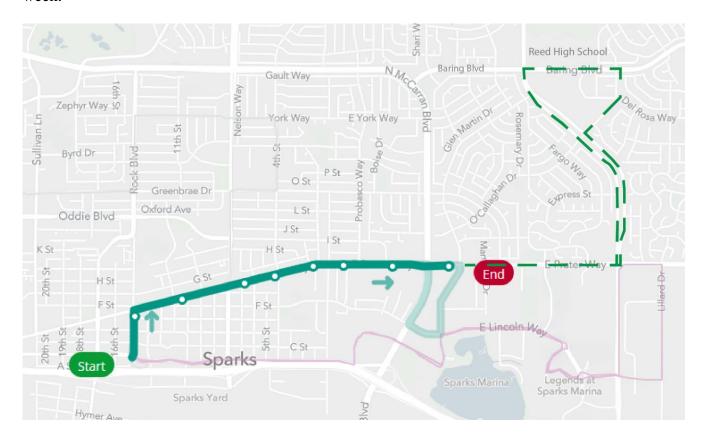


The ridership is projected to be 100 a day possibly increasing with successful marketing to 200 a day. Staff conducted a survey of existing ridership on Route 25 and Route 26, results of that survey showed only 9% were unfavorable or extremely unfavorable. Surveyed customers were made up:

- o 65% full fare
- o 14% youth
- o 10% senior
- o 10% disabled
- o 1% veterans

The service allows you to book using a smart phone or to call a live reservationist to complete your trip request. Of the passengers surveyed on Routes 25 and 26, 77% of them had a smartphone.

The new Route 25 (see map below) and the proposed microtransit service will operate 7 days a week.



The proposed microtransit service will be called FlexRIDE and have a distinctive paint scheme (see below illustration), the vehicles will be operated and maintained by Ride Right our current ACCESS contractor.



#### How it will work:

- Passenger hails a ride:
- Rides within the FlexRIDE service area
- Rides into, within or out of the FlexRIDE service area

# Rides are hailed using:

- Smartphones with an app
- Tablets with the app
- Computer via a specific website
- By a phone call to dispatch

# Service highlights:

- RIDE paper passes and mobile fare payment app only
- Same Day Booking & Real-Time Information (e.g. van location)
- Passengers provided curb-to-curb service within service area
- Passengers connect with RTC RIDE or RTC ACCESS at key connection locations
- Can call for a trip within 30-minutes of your expected departure time

#### If successful:

- RTC will issue a request for proposals for a long term software contract
- RTC will transition to the selected software at the end of the 6 month demonstration

March 6, 2019 <u>AGENDA ITEM 6</u>

**TO:** Technical Advisory Committee

**FROM:** Dan Doenges, PTP, RSP

Planning Manager

SUBJECT: Discussion on the Draft Fiscal Years 2020-2021 Unified Planning Work

**Program and Call for Projects** 

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

Recommend tasks for the Fiscal Years 2020-2021 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP).

# **SUMMARY**

The UPWP documents the major transportation planning activities to be undertaken each fiscal year and the funding sources necessary to support these activities. Federal regulations require the RTC to develop and approve the UPWP as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the region. The UPWP is developed in coordination with the RTC Annual Budget, incorporating the major objectives, revenues and expenses identified in the budget.

#### ADDITIONAL BACKGROUND

Staff first presented this item at the February 6<sup>th</sup> meeting. This item serves as an additional opportunity for discussion of potential projects prior to reviewing a draft FY 2020-2021 UPWP at a subsequent meeting.

March 6, 2019 <u>AGENDA ITEM 7</u>

**TO:** Technical Advisory Committee

FROM: Rebecca Kapuler

Planner

SUBJECT: Regional Bikeshare Pilot Program Update

## RECOMMENDATION

Acknowledge receipt of report on the Regional Bikeshare Pilot Program.

# **SUMMARY**

Staff will provide the Committee with a status update on the Regional Bikeshare Pilot Program. The first phase of the pilot program included a franchise agreement between the City of Reno, City of Sparks, Washoe County, Reno Sparks Indian Colony, and the University of Nevada, Reno. The jurisdictions are in negotiations to renew the pilot for another year. Staff will update the Committee with the status of the new franchise agreement.