

# REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

# MEETING AGENDA Thursday, April 4, 2024, 9:00 a.m. MEETING TO BE HELD VIA ZOOM ONLY

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- VII. RTC staff will make reasonable efforts to assist and accommodate individuals with disabilities. Please contact Agency Services at (775) 348-0171 in advance so that arrangements can be made.
- ITEM 1 Roll Call/Call to Order
- **ITEM 2** Approval of Agenda (For Possible Action)
- **ITEM 3** Verbal Instructions required by Assembly Bill 219 (2023) *RTC staff will read the following before Item 4 Public Comment:*

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- ITEM 4 Public Comment - please read paragraph III. near the top of this page
- ITEM 5 Approval of the March 7, 2024, Meeting Minutes (For Possible Action)
- ITEM 6 Receive a Presentation on the Active Transportation Plan (For Possible Action)
- ITEM 7 Development Updates (Informational Only)
- ITEM 8 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)
- Agenda Items for Future TAC Meetings (For Possible Action) ITEM 9
- **ITEM 10** RTC Staff Items (Informational Only)
- ITEM 11 Public Comment please read paragraph III. near the top of this page
- **ITEM 12** Adjournment (For Possible Action)

The Committee <u>may</u> take action on any item noted for possible action

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# REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES THURSDAY, MARCH 7, 2024

# TAC MEMBERS PRESENT

Craig Petersen	Northern Ne	vada Public H	Health Air-C	<b>Duality</b>	Management

Division

Mariam Ahmad Washoe County Community Services

Chris Tolley Truckee Meadows Regional Planning Agency

Candace Stowell
Lissa Butterfield
Amber Sosa
Scott Carey
Kyle Chisholm
Kurt Dietrich, Chair
Angela Fuss

Reno-Sparks Indian Colony
Reno-Tahoe Airport Authority
City of Sparks Community Services
City of Sparks Community Services
Washoe County School District
City of Reno Public Works
City of Reno Public Works

Kevin Verre Nevada Department of Transportation

# **RTC STAFF**

Graham Dollarhide Xuan Wang
Jim Gee Paul Nelson

Jacqueline Maldonado Marquis Williams

Dale Keller

# **TAC GUEST**

Teresa Poulsen, WCSD Sara Collins, public

Amy Cummings, Parametrix

### ITEM 1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

The Technical Advisory Committee meeting was conducted as a Zoom Webinar. The Chair, Kurt Dietrich called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

## ITEM 2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved as submitted.

# ITEM 3. VERBAL INSTRUCTIONS REQUIRED BY ASSEMBLY BILL 219 (2023)

RTC staff read the instructions required of participating via Zoom and participating via telephone.

### ITEM 4. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments given.

# ITEM 5. APPROVAL OF THE FEBRUARY 1, 2024, MEETING MINUTES

The TAC February 1, 2024, meeting minutes were approved as submitted.

### ITEM 6. RECEIVE A PRESENTATION ON THE REGIONAL FREIGHT PLAN

Marquis Williams, RTC Senior Technical Planner and Amy Cummings from Parametrix gave a presentation on the Regional Freight Plan. A copy of the PowerPoint presentation is on file at the RTC Metropolitan Planning Department.

Scott Carey asked of the 24% freight movement in the region. Amy Cummings, Parametrix stated the airport high-volume commodities, which go in and out of the airport and an interface with the regional road network to other destinations or to the airport from other destinations and the rail hub in Sparks is another area. RTC will coordinate with the Union Pacific Railroad for data, which will be provided to the committee at a future meeting. Scott Carey thanked the RTC staff for the presentation. He commented on the Sparks industrial area, which he stated is a critical land use for the city of Sparks in their master plan goals. He stated rail is important to the region's economy and looks forward to working with the RTC on maintaining existing rail access in support of the economic development goals and policies in their master plan, which will help expand employment opportunities for the region.

Kyle Chisholm asked on the current freight plan adopted and what is expected in the draft freight report in June. Amy Cummings, Parametrix stated there is a State Freight Plan with NDOT currently. RTC is moving forward with the first freight plan, which is not a requirement for the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO). She stated the draft freight plan will be looking at existing conditions with freight movement and connecting with land uses, safety data, other existing plans that are in place and the goal is to have the plan completed and be incorporated in the RTP, which will be adopted later this year.

Angela Fuss made a motion to receive the presentation on the Regional Freight Plan.

Amber Sosa seconded.

The motion carried unanimously.

#### ITEM 7. DEVELOPMENT UPDATES

Lissa Butterfield, RTAA gave development updates on the first two projects of the capital development program; the ticketing hall is scheduled to open on April 11, 2024. A brand-new entryway, which will coincide with the reopening of the lanes of traffic that have been closed for the ADA improvements, bollards installed and shade canopies. The Travel Lanes up against the parking

garage will be closed and will be removing non-standard sidewalks in the next couple of months and should reopen in November.

Scott Carey gave updates on the Planning Commission amendment condition use permit request to the Nugget Event Center. A condition use permit request for the Revi and service center on Greg Street to expand and include vehicle sales. An inquiry for a new hotel at the Legends in Sparks was received.

Chris Tolley gave updates on the TMRPA Natural Resources Plan and Public Infrastructure Plan, which will be presented at the Regional Planning Governing Board and the Regional Planning Commission this month and next month.

# ITEM 8. MEMBER ITEMS

There were no member items.

# ITEM 9. AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE TAC MEETINGS

• Freight Plan update

# ITEM 10. RTC STAFF ITEMS

Dale Keller, RTC Engineering Director, gave updates of the construction season beginning and is working on the request for earmark funds. RTC will be collaborating with agencies and writing letters of support please, contact Xuan Wang, Planning Manager, Dale Keller, RTC Engineering Director and Paul Nelson, Government Affairs Officer for collaboration on the letters of support from RTC. Kevin with NDOT would like to be included in that support.

# ITEM 11. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments given.

#### ITEM 12. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:26 a.m.

MEETING DATE: April 4, 2024 AGENDA ITEM 6

To: Technical Advisory Committee

From: Marquis Williams, Senior Technical Planner

# **RECOMMENDED ACTION**

Receive a presentation on the Active Transportation Plan

# **BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION**

The Active Transportation Plan (ATP) will identify policies, programs and infrastructure options to support active modes as a viable transportation choice, especially for shorter trips. The Plan was envisioned to serve as a resource for the region to incorporate bicycle and pedestrian elements into the roadway network; and provide an overview of best practices, recommended policies, key partnerships, and outreach and educational activities to promote walking, rolling, and biking in the region. This plan will inform the Regional Transportation Plan and leverage future funding opportunities.

Through development of the Plan, there has been a shift in the approach of the plan, with the intent now to set the stage for future neighborhood plans that will apply the regional vision, goals, performance metrics, and other elements at a neighborhood scale. This will allow for a clearer process, more opportunities for stakeholder and public input, and establishment of thorough prioritization of projects that will ultimately be easier to implement. In short, the Active Transportation Plan will provide the framework for the neighborhood plans, and all will support the Regional Transportation Plan. Ultimately, the RTC will be looking to establish a formal active transportation program that will function much in the same way as some other RTC programs like the Pavement Preservation Program or ITS Program, which each have a dedicated staff member who is tasked with implementing that program and the associated projects. The provision of dedicated funding would allow for more consistent implementation of capital projects.