

**REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION  
CITIZENS MULTIMODAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
MEETING MINUTES  
WEDNESDAY JUNE 5, 2024**

**CMAC MEMBERS PRESENT**

Ryan Bernadett, Vice Chair	Earl Brynelsen
Eric Ammerman	David Giacomini
Judy Kathleen Stanfield	Juan Martinez
Kelly Orr	Michael Lansborough
Panah Stauffer	Damien Cole (5:53pm)
Ann Silver (5:42pm)	

**CMAC MEMBERS ABSENT**

Michael Gawthrop-Hutchins	Michael May
Paul Hewen	Sue-Ting Chene, Chair

**RTC STAFF**

Graham Dollarhide	James Gee
Xuan Wang	Lolita Davis

**CMAC GUESTS**

Chris Kuhn, NDOT	Kevin Verre, NDOT
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**1. ROLL CALL/CALL TO ORDER**

The Citizens Multimodal Advisory Committee (CMAC) meeting was conducted as a Zoom Webinar. The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Xuan Wang.

**2. VERBAL INSTRUCTIONS REQUIRED BY ASSEMBLY BILL 219 (2023)**

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

**3. PUBLIC COMMENT**

No public comment.

#### **4. APPROVE THE APRIL 3, 2024, MEETING MINUTES**

The CMAC April 3, 2024, minutes were approved as submitted.

#### **5. INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**Item 1:** Provide information and advice regarding the proposed Amendment No. 3 to the FFY 2023-2027 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP).

Graham Dollarhide, RTC Planning Manager, gave a presentation on the Proposed Amendment #3 to the FFY 2023-2027 Regional Transportation Improvement Program. A copy of the presentation is on file at the RTC Metropolitan Planning Department.

Ryan Bernadett asked if the new trail from Sparks to the Tri-Center will be shared with public transit. Graham Dollarhide responded it will be for the Tahoe Pyramid Trail and will be off-road for bikes and pedestrians.

Panah Stauffer asked where the South Meadows connector will be evaluated and if any wetlands impact will be investigated. Chris Kuhn, Nevada Department of Transportation (NDOT), stated this is an alignment and feasibility study that includes a high-level environmental analysis to determine potential impacts. Panah requested consideration of transit first alternatives to the South Meadows corridor alignment.

Earl Brynelsen asked if there will be any kind of fixed route transit involved in the future. Graham Dollarhide replied that these projects will not include any transportation accommodations but will come through other projects already in the RTIP.

Kelly Orr asked what were the identifying factors that led to expansion in the South Meadows corridor alignment study and no other areas in Washoe County. Chris Kuhn responded that a corridor study was completed in 2020 that looked at multiple alternatives including the South Meadows connector. There was a focus on this corridor, but it is possible another study could be done in the future.

A discussion was held regarding the pros and cons of bus and carpool lanes and monetary factors involved.

#### **6. RTC STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Xuan Wang, RTC Planning Manager, announced the next meeting will be held Tuesday, July 2, 2024, because of the July 4<sup>th</sup> holiday.

An election will be held during the July meeting for the new term of Chair and Vice Chair positions. An email will be sent explaining how members can express interest and the election process.

## **7. PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Juan Martinez thanked NDOT and the City of Reno for fixing the sidewalk on North McCarran Boulevard in front of Walmart and laying out new visible crosswalks. He also stated July 26<sup>th</sup> is the anniversary for the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and suggests free rides for all ACCESS riders that day.

Damien Cole thanked RTC for stopping at every stop on the Virginia Rapid line even if no one requested it. James Gee, RTC Director of Transportation, commented that brand new electronic signs are in the process of being programmed and installed in the next month or two on the Virginia and Lincoln lines.

Dora Martinez stated there are questionable people that bother bus riders at the Centennial Plaza. She is wondering if there are security guards because this presents a safety issue. She also mentioned that she would like RTC public information officer to advertise to ACCESS riders that they can now go to the Adaptive Cycling Center at 6800 Pembroke, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays. James Gee stated there is security at Centennial Plaza 24 hours a day and her concerns will be taken to the RTC Security Director.

Earl Brynelsen thanked James Gee for the announcement that students under the age of 17 will be allowed to ride the bus for free while school is out during the summer. He stated the community will appreciate this and it is a great idea.

Damien Cole announced he attended the first open meeting for Strong Towns, and it was a positive experience and a good turnout. He encouraged those interested to go on reddit for more information. <https://www.reddit.com/r/StrongTowns/>

## **8. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 6:22 p.m.