

**REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
CITIZENS MULTIMODAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
WEDNESDAY September 4, 2024**

CMAC MEMBERS PRESENT

Ryan Bernadett, Vice Chair	Ann Silver 5:41 p.m.
Michael May	Paul Hewen
Judy Kathleen Stanfield	Juan Martinez
Kelly Orr	Sue-Ting Chene, Chair
Panah Stauffer	Damien Cole 5:48 p.m.
Michael Gawthrop-Hutchins	Eric Ammerman

CMAC MEMBERS ABSENT

David Giacomini	Earl Brynensen
Michael Lansborough	

RTC STAFF

Vanessa Lacer	Jim Gee
Marquis Williams	Lolita Davis
Paul Nelson	

CMAC GUESTS

Mark Cameron, Tahoe Pyramid Trail	Petra Fava, MTM
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1. ROLL CALL/CALL TO ORDER

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

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

There was no public comment.

4. APPROVE THE AUGUST 7, 2024, MEETING MINUTES

The CMAC August 7, 2024, minutes were approved as submitted.

5. INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS.

ITEM 1: Receive a presentation on the Tahoe Pyramid Trail East Feasibility Study.

Mark Cameron of Tahoe Pyramid Trail gave a presentation on the Tahoe Pyramid Trail East Feasibility Study. A copy of the presentation is on file on the RTC website.

Kelly asked who will oversee monitoring the pathways. Mark responded Reno, Sparks and Washoe County, as jurisdictions, manage the trail within their boundaries as far as maintenance and other concerns, but it will depend on the agreements and will be discussed in the feasibility study.

Ann asked will most of the funding for the project be through federal sources. Mark replied, the feasibility study will be funded by Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) Grants from the Federal Highway Administration. Once the pathway is defined, other grants and private funding will be investigated. Ann stated there is a tremendous amount of money on behalf of large corporations based in Story County and wondered if Tesla and Amazon would be contributing. Mark stated the plan is to reach out to the companies in the TRIC (Tahoe Reno Industrial Center) area to build a relationship and hopefully get more funding.

Panah asked how this study relates to the Truckee River Plan project from the City of Reno. Mark responded that his group had a lot strategically to do with the Truckee River Plan, but this feasibility study is separate from that project. Panah also asked if transit connections were considered in this plan to which Mark responded yes.

Mark's contact information is: mcameron@tptrail.org

ITEM 2: Receive a presentation on the proposed Amendment No. 4 to the FFY 2023-2027 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP).

Marquis Williams, RTC Senior Technical Planner, gave a presentation on the proposed Amendment No. 4 to the FFY 2023-2027 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP).

Michael asked if the budget is realistic or should it be increased. Marquis responded that this is a NDOT project, and they have the cost numbers. More information can be found on their website at <https://www.dot.nv.gov/projects-programs/road-projects/u-s-395-north-valleys-project>.

Panah conveyed concerns regarding the dissatisfaction with reliance on cars and highways. She hopes those in a political role with influence will consider planning an alternative transit corridor. Marquis stated the Active Transportation Plan will be presented to the RTC Board

on 9/20 and with approval, connections like the Tahoe Pyramid Trail will be made to assist with travel modes. Ann stated she would have preferred to see millions of dollars go to a train, bus or alternative transportation with thoughts in mind of green energy and reducing emissions. There was a conversation regarding growth to the east and south of TRIC and the possibility of plans for new communities.

Sue-Ting asked who should be contacted if there are any questions or feedback. Contact person is Graham Dollarhide: gdollarhide@rtcwashoe.com or 775.332.9519.

Panah asked if the comments made in the CMAC meeting will be conveyed to the RTC Board. Vanessa Lacer, RTC Planning Manager, stated a summary will be provided to the RTC Board for each project along with an overall summary from the TAC and CMAC meetings, and a longer summary is available as public record once approved by the committee. There is a timing issue to get the information to the RTC Board after each meeting and a summary is the most effective way. Public comment is available at each RTC Board meeting if committee members have something specific, they would like the Board to hear.

6. RTC STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS

Marquis Williams stated RTC is committed to providing accessibility to everyone during these meetings. Accessible presentations will be made available before each meeting, and each person is asked to state their name before speaking. This will also apply to RTC Staff. This will be discussed more at the next CMAC meeting.

7. PUBLIC COMMENT

Juan Martinez asked if it is true that the new bidding will allow the general public to ride with ADA Paratransit passengers and if free rides can be implemented again for CMAC members. Jim Gee, RTC Public Transportation Director, stated he will reply to Juan and the committee members after the meeting to stay within the public comment guidelines.

Damien Cole stated the report on the Truckee River Vision Plan from Dig Studio will be presented at the next Reno City Council meeting.

8. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:51 p.m.