

**REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
CITIZENS MULTIMODAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 5, 2025**

CMAC MEMBERS PRESENT

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| Sue-Ting Chene, Chair | Amanda Nelson |
| Kathie Stanfield | Juan Martinez |
| Panah Stauffer | Kelly Orr |
| Michael Gawthrop-Hutchins | Richard Landon |
| Damien Cole | |

CMAC MEMBERS ABSENT

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| David Giacomini | Paul Hewen |
| Ryan Bernadette, Vice Chair | |

RTC STAFF

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| Marquis Williams | Graham Dollarhide |
| James Gee | Thomas Tsunemoto |
| Shay League | Sai Sun |
| Lolita Davis | |

CMAC GUESTS

Maia Johnson

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 for participating via Zoom and participating via telephone.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

Maia Johnson commented she would like to see a nice and safe place to catch the bus on Terminal at the airport instead of just a bench on the side of the road.

Amanda Nelson commented she would like to see more barriers put on the buses, especially after one of the drivers was attacked and knocked unconscious. Dora Martinez commented she attended a legislative meeting that discussed a bill coming from RTC Southern that will provide additional security for drivers and passengers. Dora encouraged everyone to call or write their representatives to support the bill. Kathie Stanfield commented she has witnessed incidents on the bus and security is an issue for drivers and passengers.

4. APPROVE THE JANUARY 8, 2025, MEETING MINUTES

The CMAC January 8, 2025, meeting minutes were approved as submitted.

5. INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS.

ITEM 1: PROVIDE INFORMATION AND ADVICE REGARDING THE CONSTRUCTION, INSTALLATION AND MAINTENANCE OF BENCHES, SHELTERS AND TRANSIT STOPS FOR RTC PASSENGERS.

Sai Sun, RTC Transit Planner, gave a presentation on the construction, installation and maintenance of benches, shelters, and transit stops for RTC passengers.

Damien asked if the yellow loading zone on Mill and River Rock was for the public or for buses. Rick commented that the entrance is on the south side of the building and the loading zone continuously has cars parked there causing an issue for passengers/drivers. A discussion was held regarding possibly making it a red zone.

Michael commented that the bus headers on line 11 do not change headers once they pass Walmart going downtown and inquired if they can be updated to reflect the actual end of the line for each direction.

ITEM 2: PROVIDE INFORMATION, ADVICE, AND RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 5 TO THE FFY 2023-2027 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (RTIP).

Graham Dollarhide, RTC Planning Manager, gave a presentation on the Proposed Amendment No. 5 to the FFY 2023-2027 RTIP.

Panah commented on the I80 widening project. She stated highway widening is documented to lead to more traffic congestion and further demands for additional highway widening. She would like to see more of a transit first approach with these types of projects that will result in better traffic and quality of life in the region.

6. RTC STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS

Jim Gee, RTC Public Transportation Director, stated RTC will work with Keolis to look at how the destination sign language is presented on route 11.

Jim commented on the terrible attack on an RTC bus driver on Monday morning. Thanks to Keolis staff, Allied security and Reno police department, the perpetrator was arrested and will have a lifetime ban on riding RTC buses. RTC has contracted/purchased customized barriers for all buses. They will be installed once delivered. Damien asked if there are any statistics on violent incidents that occur to bus drivers. Jim Gee responded that the data is available, and it is mandatory for agencies to report incidents against transit workers monthly to the National Transit Database which is public information.

Marquis Williams, RTC Senior Technical Planner, commented that RTC will be presenting the Neighborhood Network Plan for central Reno in April. There is a good chance there will not be a meeting in March due to the Board retreat. There will be two pop-up events in the Central Sparks area. More information is available on the RTC website.

7. PUBLIC COMMENT

Damien shared information regarding safe & easy options for drivers to pull in and out of bus areas.

Amanda commented on the bus stop at Sierra Center Parkway and Campus on route 56 in front of Target being all grass. It would be good to have a concrete pad there to easily load/unload ADA passengers at that location.

8. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:19 p.m.