



REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION CITIZENS MULTIMODAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MEETING AGENDA

Wednesday, October 1, 2025, at 5:30 p.m.
MEETING TO BE HELD VIA ZOOM ONLY

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- I. This meeting will be held via Zoom. There will be no physical location. For those requiring hearing or speech assistance, contact Relay Nevada at 1-800-326-6868 (TTY, VCO or HCO).
 - II. Members of the public may attend the meeting via Zoom at:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89590076256?pwd=LFBzBb28dntXoAkulEcAr6HakPvPGa.1>
You may also participate by telephone at 1-253-205-0468 or 1-669-444-9171 (Meeting ID: 895 9007 6256, Meeting passcode: 186311). To provide public comment during the meeting via Zoom, please make sure your computer or device has a working microphone. Use the "Chat" feature to submit a request to make a comment. When the time comes to make public comments, you will be invited to speak. If you wish to provide public comment before the meeting, please contact RTC Agency Services at 1-775-348-0171 prior to 4:00 p.m. on the day before the meeting and provide the telephone number you will be calling from as well as the item(s) you would like to comment on. When the time comes to make public comments, you will be invited to speak.
 - III. Members of the public not attending the meeting but would like to provide public comment in advance can do so by one of the following methods: (1) emailing comments to: rtcpubliccomments@rtcwashoe.com; or (2) leaving a voicemail (limited to three minutes) at 1-775-348-0171. Comments received prior to 4:00 p.m. on the day before the meeting will be entered into the record.
 - IV. The supporting materials for the meeting can be found at <https://rtcwashoe.com>. If you need to request a copy of the supporting materials, please contact RTC Agency Services by phone at 1-775-348-0171 or by email at agencyservices@rtcwashoe.com.
 - V. RTC staff will make reasonable efforts to assist and accommodate individuals with disabilities. Please call RTC Agency Services at 1-775-348-0171 in advance so that arrangements can be made.
 - VI. RTC staff will make an audio and video recording of the meeting. The recording will be a public record. Committee members and members of the public who do not wish to be shown on the video should turn their cameras off during the meeting.
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1. Roll Call/Call to Order

- 2. Verbal Instructions required by Assembly Bill 219 (2023):** RTC staff will read the following before the first public comment period:

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If you are participating by telephone, to provide public comment you should have contacted RTC Agency Services prior to 4:00 p.m. yesterday and provided the telephone number you would be calling from as well as the item(s) you wanted to comment on. When the time comes to make public comments, you will be invited to speak."

- 3. Public Comment:** Public comment may pertain to matters both on and off the agenda. Comments are to be made to the Committee as a whole and not to individual Committee members or staff. Committee members may provide public comments. Public comment is limited to three (3) minutes.

4. **Approve the September 3, 2025, Committee Meeting Minutes** (*For Possible Action*)
5. **Information and Discussion Items** (*No Action*): The purpose of the Committee is to provide (1) information, advice and recommendations regarding certain regional planning documents, proposed major transit service changes, and proposed transit fare policy changes as part of RTC's Public Participation Plan, and (2) information and advice on benches, shelters and transit stops in accordance with Assembly Bill 214 (2023). RTC staff selects and presents items that are intended to further that purpose. Following a presentation by RTC staff, Committee members will have the opportunity to ask questions, discuss and provide feedback pertaining to the item.

ITEM: 5.1 Provide Information, Advice and Recommendations Regarding an Update on the Development of the FY 2026-2030 Move More with RTC Plan, and Provide Feedback to Staff

6. **RTC Staff Announcements**
7. **Public Comment:** Public comment may pertain to matters both on and off the agenda. Comments are to be made to the Committee as a whole and not to individual Committee members or staff. Committee members may provide public comments. Public comment is limited to three (3) minutes.
8. **Adjournment**

**REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
CITIZENS MULTIMODAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 3, 2025**

CMAC MEMBERS PRESENT

Sue-Ting Chene, Chair
Michael Gawthrop-Hutchins
Panah Stauffer
Kathie Stanfield
Damien Cole

Amanda Nelson
Ryan Bernadette, Vice Chair
Kelly Orr
Juan Martinez

CMAC MEMBERS ABSENT

Paul Hewen

Richard Landon

RTC STAFF

Marquis Williams
Lolita Davis

Vanessa Lacer

CMAC GUESTS

Dora Martinez

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 5:31 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

Amanda Nelson commented on route 13 outbound where a right turn onto Kietzke Lane followed by a left onto Linden Street requires cutting across three lanes of traffic. This turn is illegal and very dangerous. Also, on route 4 outbound, where making a left turn from Sierra Highlands Drive onto 7th Street is risky due to the lack of a four-way stop and poor visibility leading to accidents. RTC previously mentioned adding a stop, but nothing has been done. She mentioned if route 4 returned to traveling straight up 7th Street, it would improve safety and save time.

4. APPROVE THE JUNE 4, AND JULY 9, 2025, MEETING MINUTES

The CMAC June 4, July 9, 2025, and August 6, 2025, meeting minutes were approved as submitted.

5. INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS.

ITEM 5.1: PROVIDE INFORMATION, ADVICE AND RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING THE DRAFT PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PLAN.

Vanessa Lacer, RTC Planning Director, gave a presentation on the Draft Public Participation Plan.

Panah suggested the RTC could better utilize public resources like libraries, social media, and community spaces for outreach. She pointed out that the RTC heavily relies on its website, which she finds difficult to navigate for information about public meetings. Also, Panah emphasized the importance of using flyers and bulletin boards in public places, such as grocery stores, to reach a broader audience and urged RTC to incorporate informal outreach methods such as surveys on social media and senior citizen locations. She proposed partnering with local agencies to amplify communication, utilizing social media outside of RTC platforms, and using public spaces for outreach in multiple languages. Vanessa Lacer, RTC Planning Director, appreciates the suggestions and mentioned that RTC is already implementing many of these ideas, noting a recent successful campaign that enlisted an influencer to reach a wider audience and mentioned she will try to get some of these suggestions included in the Public Participation Plan.

Damien expressed concern regarding the Zoom link for CMAC meetings that is on the meeting agenda. He mentioned it is not easy for the public to access as it is not clearly displayed. He suggested flyers be placed on buses to inform riders about the CMAC and include a QR code to the meeting page and possibly add the call in phone number on the webpage. Vanessa acknowledged Damien's concerns and will take back to staff to see what can be implemented in the changes happening with the website.

ITEM 5.2: PROVIDE INFORMATION, ADVICE AND RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING THE DRAFT CENTRAL SPARKS NEIGHBORHOOD NETWORK PLAN.

Marquis Williams, RTC Senior Technical Planner, gave a presentation on the Draft Central Sparks Neighborhood Network Plan.

Damien expressed concerns about bike lanes in the area and the possibility of creating protected intersections using flexi posts or buffers. He also asked if there is a planned vehicular closure for Victorian Square to add dashed lines. Marquis, RTC Senior Technical Planner, responded that it is part of a pilot project from the City of Sparks that initially closed Victorian Square but has been reopened except on special event days like the Rib Cook Off. He mentioned RTC plans to improve minor signage and striping projects to enhance that area.

Ryan asked if the Sparks project is expected to be finished by summer 2026. Marquis stated the plans are to start construction in May, but the completion date is really dependent on the weather. This is a quick build however, all the details on how the phasing and rollout will go have not been worked out but implementation should be fast. Ryan also asked if implementation of the Central Sparks Plan and Central Reno Plan will be at the same time. Marquis responded that the two plans are being approached as one project.

Juan raised the issue of potential hazards for blind pedestrians due to the bike lane's width across the street from Western Village. Marquis agreed and mentioned that floating bus stops are new to the area. If successful, RTC will explore ways to implement them in their bike network project to improve safety and accessibility.

Sue-Ting spoke about a challenging bike lane situation that connects California Avenue to Virginia Street going north. The bike lane ends at a tricky spot just before Liberty, where riders merge into a shared road with cars. Sue-Ting suggests that even a simple solution, like adding green pavement, could improve that location. Marquis Williams acknowledged the location and mentioned that there are existing projects near that intersection but noted that they may not directly affect Virginia Street. He encouraged bringing up the intersection at future meetings but cautioned not to expect immediate changes.

Michael Gawthrop-Hutchins discussed the pedestrian experience in relation to safety and representation during walking tours conducted by focus groups. He noted that the focus groups, often made up of 10 to 15 people wearing high-visibility vests, do not reflect the real-life experiences of the average pedestrian, as most people walk around in regular clothes without drawing attention. He expressed concern that this setup may create a false sense of safety and does not adequately represent the dangers that ordinary pedestrians face, such as being overlooked by drivers. Marquis agreed with Michael, emphasizing the importance of safety while working and acknowledged the need to understand real pedestrian experiences. He mentioned that their comment map allows individuals to report specific areas where they feel unsafe. Additionally, the value of LIDAR data collection, which tracks incidents like near misses and crashes, provides insights that short observation periods cannot capture.

ITEM 5.3: APPROVE THE ELECTION OF A CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR TO SERVE FROM SEPTEMBER 3, 2025, UNTIL JUNE 30, 2026, CONSISTENT WITH SECTION 9C OF THE “STATEMENT OF PURPOSE AND PROCEDURES.”

Marquis Williams, RTC Senior Planner, announced that Ryan volunteered to be Chair, and after confirming there were no further nominations, a vote was held, and Ryan was elected. Ryan then facilitated the election for Vice Chair. Panah was nominated by Ryan, and after confirming no additional nominations, a vote took place, resulting in Panah being elected as Vice Chair.

6. RTC STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS

Marquis Williams, RTC Senior Technical Planner, announced plans for the committee's membership. An email will be sent to all members asking if they wish to continue participating. A lack of response will be taken as a no. There will also be a call for new members to bring fresh perspectives. Members are encouraged to share the email with anyone who might be interested.

7. PUBLIC COMMENT

Doralee Martinez urges the committee to include people with disabilities, like Juan, in their planning discussions. She emphasized that designing for accessibility from the start is more efficient and cost-effective. She expressed her intention to provide public comments on the website's issues and asks for contact information to discuss the inaccessible map. Doralee also inquired about website accessibility standards and suggested they upgrade to the latest version. She thanked Vanessa for her efforts and expressed appreciation for the app they received during a recent river walk.

8. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.



REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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MEETING DATE: October 1, 2025

AGENDA ITEM 5.1

To: Citizens Multimodal Advisory Committee

From: Alex Cruz, Senior Transit Planner

FOR INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION

Receive an update on the development of the FY 2026-2030 Move More with RTC Plan, and provide feedback to staff.

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION

The FY 2026-2030 Move More with RTC plan is the new update of RTC's previous Transit Optimization Plan Strategies (TOPS) short-range transit plan. This document is the operating and capital business plan to guide transit service delivery over the next five years. The RTC typically updates the TOPS every three to five years. The last TOPS was approved by the Board in July 2022.

On February 21, 2025, the Board approved staff recommendations for the Executive Director to enter into a contract with Transportation Management & Design (TMD) to perform the TOPS update. A project kick-off meeting was held on April 17, 2025. The current project schedule is:

- September – Board Presentation on Project Overview and Current Conditions
- September/October – Initial Public Outreach & Public Survey
- February – Public Review of Draft TOPS Recommendations
- March – Board Consideration of Final TOPS Recommendation
- April – Final TOPS Document

TMD is presenting its project overview including planning activities to date, the state of RTC's current public transportation services, and a discussion regarding public outreach activities. TMD is also seeking feedback from the public and the Board.

ATTACHMENT(S)

A. TMD Presentation