

**REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, January 9, 2013

Attendees

Jon R. Ericson	City of Sparks Public Works
Lissa Butterfield	Reno Tahoe Airport Authority
Paul Kelly	Washoe County Community Development
Steve Bunnell	City of Reno Public Works
Greg Balancio	Washoe County Public Works
Dan Inouye	Washoe County Health District-Air Quality Management Division
Andrea Napoli	Nevada Department of Transportation
Sienna Reid	Truckee Meadows Regional Planning Agency
Tim Thompson	City of Sparks Community Development
Leah Sirmin	Federal Highway Administration

RTC Staff

Amy Cummings	Roger Hanson
Ed Park	

Guests

Scott Hall, Nevada Bicycle Coalition
Jamie McCluskie, Reno Tahoe Airport Authority
Tom Greco, Nevada Department of Transportation
Sydnie Schlacht, Nevada Department of Transportation

The Committee met in Suite 201, 1105 Terminal Way, Reno, Nevada. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 am by Acting Chair Steve Bunnell.

ITEM 1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved with Item 6 being moved to follow Item 3.

ITEM 2. PUBLIC COMMENT

Scott Hall, Nevada Bicycle Summit, briefed the committee on the Nevada Bicycle Summit in December, 2012 in Las Vegas.

ITEM 3. APPROVAL OF THE NOVEMBER 7, 2012, MEETING MINUTES

The minutes for the November 7, 2012 meeting were approved as submitted.

ITEM 6. DISCUSSION AND RECOMMENDATION ON THE RIDE SERVICE CHANGE CONCEPTS FOR 2013

Roger Hanson, RTC Senior Transit Planner, briefed the TAC on the 2013 RIDE service change concepts. A copy of the PowerPoint presentation is on file in the RTC Planning Department. He explained that the next steps included further refinement of the concepts and going out to the public for input and that the final proposal would come back to the TAC for recommendation to the RTC Board.

ITEM 4. PRESENTATION ON THE NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION BILL DRAFT REQUEST FOR THE 2013 NEVADA LEGISLATIVE SESSION ON ROADWAY RELINQUISHMENT

Tom Greco, NDOT Assistant Director of Planning and Sydnie Schlacht, NDOT State Systems Manager, briefed the committee on the current roadway relinquishment legislative, the current problems with relinquishments, the proposed solutions and legislation. The goal is to get the program to work equitably for all involved. There is a committee with representation from the local entities considering the issue to reach consensus and to define the process and procedures for the bill draft this legislative session.

Jon Ericson asked if the BDR would be establishing the process for relinquishments. Sydnie Schlacht stated that was the goal.

Jon Ericson stated that it would be beneficial to have a process that was understandable for all.

Greg Balancio stated that there were roads the County had come across recently that were NDOT's responsibility, but not on the existing NDOT list. Sydnie Schlacht stated that she would follow up with the County.

ITEM 5. DISCUSSION AND RECOMMENDATION ON THE RTC TRANSIT FARE STRUCTURE AND POLICY CONCEPTS FOR JUNE 2013

Ed Park, RTC Assistant Transit Planner, briefed the TAC on the RTC transit fare structure and policy concepts for June 2013.

Following the presentation and general discussion of the fares, it was the consensus of the committee to either leave the fares as they are or reduce them for RIDE.

Following the presentation and general discussion of RTC INTERCITY fares, it was the consensus of the committee to not change the fare structure for the RTC INTERCITY service at the present.

Following the presentation and general discussion of RTC SIERRA SPIRIT fares, it was the consensus of the committee to charge 50 cents or less for the service.

Following the presentation and general discussion of RTC RAPID becoming a proof of payment system with random fare checkers on the route, it was the consensus of the committee to utilize the off-vehicle, fare prepayment for the RTC RAPID service at the present.

Following the presentation and general discussion of the RTC fare structure, it was the consensus of the committee to leave the 24-hour pass the same and raise the single ride cash fare.

Following the presentation and general discussion of the RTC 7-day and 31-day passes, it was the consensus of the committee to not change the system.

Tim Thompson made a motion to approve the above referenced recommendations. Sienna Reid seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

ITEM 7. DISCUSSION AND RECOMMENDATION ON THE WASHOE COUNTY TRANSPORTATION CONFORMITY PLAN

Amy Cummings, RTC Director of Planning, briefed the committee on the Transportation Conformity Plan (TCP) explaining that the document updates the roles and responsibilities of all the area agencies involved in air quality conformity issues. The TCP will also meet a requirement of the 2011 TMA certification review.

Dan Inouye, WCHD-AQMD, agreed and stated that this document will ensure that all agencies are using the same information with regard to air quality conformity. He stated that the Plan will be presented to the RTC Board on January 18, 2013 and to the District Board of Health on January 24, 2013 for approval. Discussion followed.

Paul Kelly made a motion to recommend approval of the Washoe County Transportation Conformity Plan as presented. Tim Thompson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

ITEM 8. UPDATE ON THE 2035 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN

Amy Cummings distributed a draft listing of projects for the 2035 RTP and briefed the TAC on the listing. She stated that the most notable need that is not funded is the widening of US 395 north of Virginia Street. She explained that on the transit side of the plan, there is inadequate funding to provide for more service than what is currently provided; but would include the 2013 service changes, but that an unfunded needs section would include discussion on all of the proposed transit services identified through the public participation process. A draft RTP will be presented to the Board in February and the final document presented in March for Board action.

ITEM 9. PROJECT UPDATES

There were no project updates.

ITEM 10. MEMBER ITEMS

Lissa Butterfield, RTAA, introduced Jamie McCluskie, recently hired as Vice President of Planning, Engineering and Environmental Management.

ITEM 11. AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE TAC MEETINGS

The draft 2035 RTP will be presented at the February meeting.

ITEM 12. RTC STAFF ITEMS

There were no RTC staff items.

ITEM 13. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no response to the call for public comment.

ITEM 14. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:45 am.