

**REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, February 6, 2013

Attendees

Coy Peacock	Nevada Department of Transportation
Tim Thompson	City of Sparks Community Development
Bill Gall	City of Reno Community Development
Leah Sirmin	Federal Highway Administration
Jon Ericson	City of Sparks Public Works
Sienna Reid	Truckee Meadows Regional Planning Agency
Clara Lawson	Washoe County Public Works
Anita Lyday	Nevada Department of Transportation District II
Brendon Schnieder	Washoe County Health District-Air quality Management Division

RTC Staff

Amy Cummings	Debra Goodwin
Carol Perry	Patrice Echola

Guests

Jason VanHavel, Nevada Department of Transportation
Andy Durling, Wood Rogers
Ronald King, Citizen

The Committee met in Suite 318, 1105 Terminal Way, Reno, Nevada. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 am by Chair Clara Lawson.

ITEM 1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved as presented.

ITEM 2. PUBLIC COMMENT

Ronald King asked that if possible the RTC exceed the minimum ADA standards such as with a crosswalk. The minimum standard for a ramp to a sidewalk is 36" and the minimum crosswalk is 10' wide. He asked that the ramp be as wide as the crosswalk.

ITEM 3. APPROVAL OF THE JANUARY 9, 2013, MEETING MINUTES

The minutes for the January 9, 2013 meeting were approved as submitted.

ITEM 4. PRESENTATION ON THE FINAL REPORT FOR THE ODDIE BOULEVARD/WELLS AVENUE CORRIDOR STUDY

Debra Goodwin, RTC Senior Planner, gave the TAC a brief status on the project and introduced Andy Durling, Wood Rogers, consultant for the Oddie Boulevard/Wells Avenue corridor study. Andy Durling made a presentation on the corridor study. A copy of the power point presentation is on file in the RTC Planning Department.

Jason VanHavel commented on the potential fencing cutting off access from the adjacent neighborhoods and suggested that access be considered with the placement of the fencing.

Clara Lawson asked about the implementation of the plan. Amy Cummings, RTC Director of Planning, stated that the projects costs were included in the 2035 RTP.

ITEM 5. DISCUSSION AND RECOMMENDATION ON THE 2013 ADA TRANSITION PLAN PROJECT

Debra Goodwin, on behalf of Marchon Miller, briefed the committee on the project explaining that the corridors to be addressed would be Silverada Boulevard between Fantastic Drive and East 9th Street and Harvard Way between Yale Way and Linden Street.

Jon Ericson made a motion to recommend approval of the 2013 ADA Transition Plan Project as presented. Tim Thompson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

ITEM 6. UPDATE ON THE RTC TRIP REDUCTION PROGRAM

Carol Perry, RTC Trip Reduction Specialist, briefed the TAC on the Trip Reduction Program. A copy of the power point presentation is on file in the RTC Planning Department.

Tim Thompson asked how the requirement of employers of 100+ to participate in the program was working. Carol Perry, stated that due two factors; the down economy and minimal staffing on RTC's part; that part of the program has not progressed to the point she would like, but it would be a goal in the near future to involve more employers of 100 or more.

ITEM 7. DISCUSSION AND RECOMMENDATION ON THE 2035 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN

Amy Cummings, RTC Director of Planning, briefed the committee on the 2035 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) and distributed copies of a working draft of the document and requested that the TAC review the document and submit any comments they might have. She stated that a public comment period would run from February 21 to March 14 and that an Open House would be held on March 14 at the Discovery Museum from 4:30 pm to 6:30 pm. She stated that presentations would also be made to the local planning commissions, city councils and county commission. She stated that the final document would be brought back to the committee in March for action.

ITEM 8. DISCUSSION AND RECOMMENDATION ON AN AMENDMENT TO THE TAC BYLAWS

Amy Cummings briefed the TAC on the proposal to add representatives from the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony and the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe as voting members of the committee. Following discussion, it was decided that no action would be take until such time that the tribal councils have officially endorsed the addition of their representatives to the TAC.

ITEM 9. PROJECT UPDATES

There were no project updates.

ITEM 10. MEMBER ITEMS

Coy Peacock, NDOT, stated that a new STIP would not be adopted until 2014.

Jason VanHavel, NDOT, stated that NDOT is looking into an electronic data base to use for the STIP and that the local agencies will be invited to participate.

ITEM 11. AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE TAC MEETINGS

The final 2035 RTP will be presented at the March meeting. The TAC bylaw amendment will be presented at a future meeting following consideration by the tribal councils.

ITEM 12. RTC STAFF ITEMS

There were no RTC staff items.

ITEM 13. PUBLIC COMMENT

Ronald King, discussed the ADA transit projects and asked that consideration be given to driveway cuts which currently have 2" lips and that they be made flush with the pavement where possible. The lip makes it difficult to maneuver an electric scooter over it. He pointed out the Victorian/Nichols rehabilitation project included flush cuts at the driveways. He suggested that all future projects consider the inclusion of flush cuts or lips that are angled.

ITEM 14. ADJOURNMENT

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