

**REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION  
TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**Meeting Minutes**

**Wednesday, August 3, 2011**

**Attendees**

Jon Ericson	City of Sparks Public Works
Daniel Inouye	Washoe County Air Quality Management District
Kyle West	City of Reno Community Development
Kurt Dietrich	City of Reno Public Works
Sienna Reid	Truckee Meadows Regional Planning Agency
Anita Lyday	Nevada Department of Transportation
Coy Peacock	Nevada Department of Transportation
Clara Lawson	Washoe County Public Works

**RTC Staff**

Amy Cummings	Debra Goodwin
Howard Riedl	Christina Leach
Brenda Lee	Tom Greco
Roger Hanson	Patrice Echola

**Guests**

Heather Manzo, NDOT Planning

The Committee met in the RTC Planning Conference Room, 600 Sutro Street, Reno. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 am by Chair Kyle West.

**ITEM 1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

The agenda was approved as submitted.

**ITEM 2. PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no response to the call for public comment.

**ITEM 3. APPROVAL OF THE JULY 6, 2011, MEETING MINUTES**

The minutes for the July 6, 2011, meeting were approved as corrected (Item 8–Ken Dick was changed to Kevin Dick).

**ITEM 4. UPDATE ON THE TRANSIT SYSTEM ANALYSIS**

Roger Hanson, RTC Senior Transit Planner, briefed the committee on the Transit System Analysis (TSA). He explained that there are two approaches being reviewed: a route service reallocation and a service redeployment. The route service reallocation would look at the primary transit network. The service redeployment would look at broad restructuring of routes. Both approaches would consider extension of the RAPID service to UNR and elimination of the Sierra Spirit service in that area as well as an extension of service up Pyramid Way to the Galleria shopping center. The INTERCITY service would also be reviewed with the goal of increasing the fare box recovery ratio

which would lead to increased fares on that service. This item is scheduled to be presented to the RTC Board in September and there will be an open house tentatively scheduled for August 30, 2011. Discussion followed.

#### **ITEM 5. UPDATE ON THE SOUTHEAST MCCARRAN BOULEVARD PROJECT**

Brenda Lee, RTC Project Manager, briefed the TAC on the South McCarran Boulevard project. She explained that the project included a widening project between Longley Lane and Greg Street and a pavement rehabilitation project between Virginia Street and Longley Lane. She stated that the project was to be completed in two phases. The materials distributed are on file in the RTC Planning Department. Discussion followed.

#### **ITEM 6. UPDATE ON THE 4<sup>TH</sup> STREET/PRATER WAY CORRIDOR STUDY**

Christina Leach, RTC Planner, briefed the committee on the status of the 4<sup>th</sup> Street/Prater Way corridor study which is a multi-modal planning study to identify recommendations for increasing mobility options and developing improvements that are coordinated and adjacent planned/existing land-use and redevelopment opportunities. Wood Rodgers is the project consultant. She stated that the website is up and running at [www.4thprater.com](http://www.4thprater.com). A copy of the power point presentation is on file in the RTC Planning Department.

#### **ITEM 7. UPDATE ON THE VIRGINIA STREET CORRIDOR ACTIVITIES**

Howard Riedl, RTC Senior Engineer, briefed the TAC on the various projects in the Virginia Street corridor including:

- The South McCarran Boulevard project
- A recently completed micro seal resurfacing project between Big 5 and Patriot Boulevard done in conjunction with the now completed queue jump project
- The Meadowood interchange
- RAPID stations
- The feasibility study on the street car which is nearly complete
- The Moana/Virginia Street intersection
- The transit signal priority project
- North Virginia Street rehab and enhancement (4<sup>th</sup> Street to 6<sup>th</sup> Street)

Kyle West added the following projects

- Virginia Streetscape standards (California Avenue to Kietzke Lane) to be before the Reno City Council for the first reading of the ordinance on August 24, 2011. The standards will be implemented with the Thoma Street project–Midtown Retail
- Virginia Street bridge

Discussion followed.

#### **ITEM 8. MEMBER ITEMS**

Dan Inouye, WCAQMD, informed the committee that the EPA has yet to release the final ozone national ambient air quality standard but is progressing with an anticipated standard lower than the current standard.

Coy Peacock stated that the RFP for the I-80 Corridor Study now encompasses I-80 from San Francisco to Cheyenne and Wyoming.

**ITEM 9. AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE TAC MEETINGS**

Agenda items for future TAC meetings include:

- September–Action item on the TSA with information regarding the open house to be held at the end of August for the TAC to provide a recommendation to the RTC Board
- September–Fuel Tax and Sales Tax and Regional Road Impact Fee (RRIF) Program of Projects to be presented for action and will be included in Amendment No. 1 to the Regional Transportation Improvement Program
- October–Updates on the South McCarran Boulevard and Virginia Street projects
- September–Update on NDOT’s Freeway Service Patrol
- Tim Mueller, new NDOT Enhancement Coordinator to be introduced and to provide an update on the enhancement program

**ITEM 10. RTC STAFF ITEMS**

Howard Riedl informed the committee that there would be webinar on Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) guidelines for public right-of-way on August 9, 2011 at 9:00 a.m. at the RTC’s Engineering Department Building in the Terminal 3<sup>rd</sup> floor conference room.

Patrice Echola stated that the Kietzke Lane study was moving forward.

Tom Greco stated that the Mill Street corridor study was beginning with Fehr and Peers to be the consultant. He also stated that following the TAC meeting there would be a discussion on the Enhancement program proposed by NDOT.

Amy Cummings stated that RTP update would begin in September with the Agency Working Group (AWG) kick-off meeting on September 8, 2011 at 1:00 p.m. at the RTC Board Room, 2050 Villanova Drive, Reno.

**ITEM 11. PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no response to the call for public comment.

**ITEM 12. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:00 a.m.