

**REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, September 7, 2011

Attendees

Kyle West	City of Reno Community Development
Daniel Inouye	Washoe County Air Quality Management District
Heather Manzo	Nevada Department of Transportation
Kurt Dietrich	City of Reno Public Works
Sienna Reid	Truckee Meadows Regional Planning Agency
Dean Schultz	Reno-Tahoe Airport Authority Nevada
Clara Lawson	Washoe County Public Works

RTC Staff

Amy Cummings	Blaine Petersen
Howard Riedl	Christina Leach
Roger Hanson	Garth Oksol
Marchon Miller	Patrice Echola

Guests

Katy Cole, Fehr and Peers	Rod Schilling, NDOT
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 AUGUST 3, 2011, MEETING MINUTES

The minutes for the August 3, 2011, meeting were approved as submitted.

ITEM 4. UPDATE ON THE NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FREEWAY SERVICE PATROL AND THE INTEGRATED TRANSPORTATION RELIABILITY PROGRAM

Rod Schilling, NDOT Traffic Operations—ITS Project Management, briefed the committee on the Freeway Service Patrol. Discussion followed.

Dan Inouye made a motion to recommend support of the Freeway Service Patrol to the RTC Board. Clara Lawson seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Rod Schilling then briefed the TAC on the Integrated Transportation Reliability Program. Discussion followed. A copy of the power point presentation is on file in the RTC Planning Department.

Dan Inouye made a motion to recommend support of the Integrated Transportation Reliability Program to the RTC Board. Dean Schultz seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

ITEM 5. DISCUSSION AND RECOMMENDATION ON THE CHANGE IN PROJECT SCOPE FOR PLUMB LANE AT HARVARD WAY INTERSECTION PROJECT

Blaine Petersen, RTC Project Manager, briefed the TAC on the proposed change in scope to the Plumb Lane at Harvard Way intersection project. He explained the original project included removal of the gas station on the southwest corner of the intersection. A cost benefit study was done on the project and it was determined that an ITS project on the corridor from Terminal Way to Kietzke Lane would be a more beneficial project. Discussion followed.

Clara Lawson made a motion to recommend approval of the change in project scope as presented. Daniel Inouye seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

ITEM 6. DISCUSSION AND RECOMMENDATION ON THE DRAFT RENO-SPARKS BICYCLE PEDESTRIAN PLAN, DESIGN MANUAL, THE REGIONAL ADA TRANSITION PLAN AND THE PEDESTRIAN SAFETY ACTION PLAN

Marchon Miller, RTC Project Manager, and Katy Cole, Fehr and Peers, briefed the committee on the item. A copy of the power point is on file in the RTC Planning Department. Discussion followed.

Dean Schultz stated the Design Manual could create confusion since it is not a requirement with the local jurisdictions. Katy Cole stated that the manual is designed to be a toolbox for best practices not to replace any of the local jurisdictions' development codes, but to add to those requirements.

It was determined that the Design Manual should be retitled and a paragraph added in the document stating that it was guidelines and not to replace the local jurisdictions' development codes.

Clara Lawson made a motion to recommend approval of the draft Reno-Sparks Bicycle Pedestrian Plan, Design Manual (to be renamed), the Regional ADA Transition Plan and the Pedestrian Safety Action Plan. Daniel Inouye seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

ITEM 7. UPDATE ON THE SOUTHEAST CONNECTOR PROJECT

Garth Oksol, RTC Project Manager, briefed the TAC on the SouthEast Connector project. He stated that the Section 404 and Section 401 permits had been submitted to the Army Corp of Engineers. A copy of the power point is on file in the RTC Planning Department. Discussion followed.

ITEM 8. DISCUSSION AND RECOMMENDATION ON THE TRANSIT SYSTEM ANALYSIS

This item was continued to a future meeting.

ITEM 9. DISCUSSION AND RECOMMENDATION ON AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO THE FY 2011-2015 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

This item was continued to a future meeting.

ITEM 10. DISCUSSION AND RECOMMENDATION ON THE RTC'S PROPOSED SUSTAINABILITY POLICY AND PRACTICES

Christina Leach, RTC Planner, briefed the committee on the proposed Sustainability Policy and Practices. A copy of the power point is on file in the RTC Planning Department. Discussion followed.

Dan Inouye made a motion to recommend approval of the RTC's proposed Sustainability Policy and Practices. Clara Lawson seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.

ITEM 11. PRESENTATION ON THE RTC'S PROPOSED CONGESTION MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

Amy Cummings, RTC Director of Planning, briefed the TAC on the Congestion Management Program (CMP) and distributed FHWA guidance on the program requirements. She explained that a more refined concept would be presented at a future meeting. Discussion followed.

ITEM 12. MEMBER ITEMS

Dan Inouye stated that the 8-hour ozone standard will not be released until 2013.

Kyle West stated that the action on the Virginia Street Standards was delayed by the Reno City Council to a future meeting.

ITEM 13. AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE TAC MEETINGS

Agenda items for future TAC meetings include:

- Regional Transportation Improvement Program Amendment No. 1
- Transit System Analysis
- Congestion Management Program
- BRT Stations update
- Proposed 2012 locations for parking removal due to road conversions with bike lanes
- Draft Transportation Conformity Plan
- Population/employment forecast status update
- NDOT—511 status update—traveler information system

ITEM 14. RTC STAFF ITEMS

Howard Riedl stated that the RTP Agency Working Group kick-off meeting would be September 8, 2011 at 1 p.m. at the RTC Board Room, 2050 Villanova Drive, Reno.

ITEM 15. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no response to the call for public comment.

ITEM 16. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:55 a.m.