

**REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION  
TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**Meeting Minutes**

**Wednesday, October 6, 2010**

**Attendees**

Don Morehouse	Washoe County Community Development
Dean Schultz	Reno Tahoe Airport Authority
Sienna Reid	Truckee Meadows Regional Planning Agency
Tim Thompson	City of Sparks Community Development
Pete Etchart	City of Sparks Public Works
Steve Bunnell	City of Reno Public Works
Kyle West	City of Reno Community Development
Coy Peacock	Nevada Department of Transportation
Duane Sikorski	Washoe County Air Quality Management District
Hannah Visser	Federal Highway Administration
Clara Lawson	Washoe County Public Works

**RTC Staff**

Amy Cummings	Debra Goodwin
Jeff Hale	Christina Leach
Jack Lorbeer	Lea Rogers

**Guests**

Jason VanHavel, Nevada Department of Transportation

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 Pete Etchart.

**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 SEPTEMBER 1, 2010, MEETING MINUTES**

The minutes for the September 1, 2010, meeting were approved as submitted.

**ITEM 4. PRESENTATION ON THE FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2012 COORDINATED HUMAN SERVICES PUBLIC TRANSIT PLAN PROCESS AND PROPOSED PROJECT SELECTION COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

Lea Rogers, RTC Paratransit Administrator, briefed the committee on the Coordinated Human Services Public Transit Plan process and the proposed project selection committee members. Discussion followed.

Steve Bunnell made a motion to acknowledge receipt of the presentation and approve the plan process and project selection committee members. Kyle West seconded. The motion passed unanimously on a vote of the Committee.

Debra Goodwin introduced Amy Cummings, RTC Director of Planning and Jeff Hale, RTC Director of Engineering.

**ITEM 5. PRESENTATION ON THE NORTHERN NEVADA TRANSPORTATION COLLABORATIVE'S SUSTAINABILITY SUMMIT 2010**

Amy Cummings briefed the TAC on the Northern Nevada Transportation Collaborative's Sustainability Summit 2010 to be held on December 13 and 14, 2010 at the Joe Crowley Student Union Building at UNR.

**ITEM 6. UPDATE ON THE SOUTHEAST CONNECTOR PROJECT**

Jeff Hale briefed the committee on the status of the SouthEast Connector Project. He indicated that this would be a design build project and the RFP should be out sometime in 2012.

Jack Lorbeer stated that the RTC Board has given direction that the project be accelerated in order to save money in the long run.

**ITEM 7. DISCUSSION AND RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE AMENDMENT NO. 2 TO THE REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN (RTP)**

**ITEM 8. DISCUSSION AND RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE AMENDMENT NO. 6 TO THE REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (RTIP)**

Jack Lorbeer briefed the committee on the proposed amendments to the RTP and the RTIP. He explained that the RTIP amendment included the I-80 design build project (Robb to Vista), interchange improvements to I-580 and Moana Lane, and the FY 2011/12 Fuel Tax and Regional Road Impact Fee (RRIF) Street and Highway Program of Projects. A portion of the I-80 design build project includes widening of I-80 Eastbound from McCarran to Vista, which necessitated amending the RTP to bring that widening into the 2008-2013 time frame, as well as the I-580@Moana interchange improvements. Due to the widening project, an air quality conformity analysis was necessary for 2013 and 2018 time frames; the analysis was completed and conformity can be shown. Discussion followed.

Pete Etchart asked if there were any RRIF funds being contributed to the I-80 design build project. Jack Lorbeer stated that there were no RRIF funds for that project, but that up to

\$10 million in STP-Local funds were to be used as the local contribution toward the \$80 million estimated for the total project.

Discussion followed on the traffic management program and what was included in that project. Jack Lorbeer stated that a presentation on the Traffic Management Program could be made at the November TAC agenda.

Steve Bunnell made a motion to approve the amendments to the RTP and the RTIP. Dean Schultz seconded. The motion passed unanimously on a vote of the Committee.

**ITEM 9. PRESENTATION ON THE BUS STOP CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM**

Christina Leach, RTC Public Transportation, gave a presentation on the bus stop capital improvements program that focused on accomplishments made during FY 2010. (A copy of the power point presentation is on file in the Planning Department). Discussion followed on the challenges and possible options for providing pedestrian access to bus stops on roadways without sidewalks.

The committee acknowledged receipt of the presentation.

**ITEM 10. MEMBER ITEMS**

Kyle West updated the committee on the proposed Virginia Street streetscape standards.

**ITEM 11. AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE NOVEMBER 3, 2010, TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC) MEETING**

Items for the November 3, 2010 meeting include updates on:

- RTC RAPID Stations project
- Traffic management center/traffic management program

**ITEM 12. RTC STAFF ITEMS**

Debra Goodwin stated that ribbon-cutting ceremony for the RTC 4<sup>th</sup> Street Station (4<sup>th</sup> and Lake Street) is on Thursday, October 28, 2010, from 10:00 am to noon and the TAC is welcome to attend the ceremony.

**ITEM 13. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:50 am.