

**REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION  
WASHOE COUNTY, NEVADA**

**FRIDAY**

**9:02 A.M.**

**August 19, 2016**

**PRESENT:**

**Neoma Jardon, Reno City Council Member, Chair  
Charlene Bybee, Sparks City Council Member, Alternate  
Bob Lucey, Washoe County Commissioner  
Paul McKenzie, Reno City Council Member  
Marsha Berkbigler, Washoe County Commissioner**

**Lee G. Gibson, RTC Executive Director  
Dale Ferguson, Legal Counsel  
Rudy Malfabon, Director of NDOT**

**NOT PRESENT:**

**Ron Smith, Sparks City Council Member, Vice Chair**

The regular monthly meeting, held in the Chambers of the Washoe County Commission, 1001 E. 9<sup>th</sup> Street, Reno, Nevada, was called to order by Chair Jardon. Following the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of our country and the roll call, the Board conducted the following business:

**RECOGNITION OF THE RTC BY THE MIDTOWN ART WALK ORGANIZERS FOR SUPPORT OF THEIR EVENT**

Pastor Craig Parish of Living Stones Church spoke in recognition of the RTC for their partnership, participation and provision free transit for the Midtown Art Walk.

**RECOGNITION OF THE RTC BY THE NUGGET FOR SUPPORT OF STAR SPANGLED SPARKS**

Ms. Lisa Jansen of The Nugget spoke in recognition of the RTC for their provision of free transit and the use of Centennial Plaza for the loading/unloading of passengers for the Star Spangled Sparks event.

***Item 1      APPROVAL OF AGENDA***

On motion of Commissioner Lucey, seconded by Commissioner McKenzie, which motion unanimously carried, Chair Jardon ordered that the agenda for this meeting be approved.

## ***Item 2.1 PUBLIC INPUT***

Chair Jardon opened the meeting to public input and called on anyone wishing to speak on topics relevant to the Regional Transportation Commission (RTC) that are not included in the current agenda.

Ms. Cathy Brandhorst, local resident, spoke on matters of importance to herself.

Ms. Ramona Coker, representing the visually impaired community, requested that whoever is ultimately chosen to run the paratransit program for the RTC be required to use GPS tracking. She would also like the drivers to be more aware of the rider's disability and extend the 5 minute waiting period when needed and lastly, remember that it is door-to-door service. Ms. Coker said the GPS stop announcements on RIDE are not always accurate and that needs to be corrected.

Mr. Ryan McKinney, representing the visually impaired community, has a concern about the RTC's website not being ADA compliant and said the Board meeting agenda is difficult to find. It also did not provide a building number. Additionally, Mr. McKinney said he has been consistently picked up 15 minutes late so would like the RTC to take timeliness into consideration when choosing a new contractor.

Ms. Nadiyah Beckin, representing a local business, has a concern that more people do not know about the Sierra Spirit bus and believes it would be more heavily used if it was better publicized to tourists and if the RTC had printed maps to hand out. She would like someone from the RTC to contact her.

There being no one else wishing to speak, the Chair closed public input.

## ***Item 2.2 ADVISORY COMMITTEES SUMMARY REPORT***

On motion of Commissioner McKenzie, seconded by Commissioner Bybee, which motion unanimously carried, Chair Jardon ordered that receipt of the monthly Summary Report for the Technical, Citizens Multimodal and Regional Road Impact Fee Advisory Committees be acknowledged..

## ***Item 3.1 thru 3.3 DIRECTOR REPORTS***

### **Item 3.1 RTC Executive Director Report**

RTC Executive Director Lee Gibson announced that a call for projects has been issued for the Transportation Alternative Set-Aside Program and said staff would review the applications received and announce the recipients. These funds are for bicycle/pedestrian improvements.

On July 25<sup>th</sup> the RTC celebrated the 250 millionth rider to use the RIDE system. The lucky rider received a 250-day bus pass and all passengers on the bus with him received a 31-day pass. Transit service was also free for all riders for the day.

Carol Perry, RTC Trip Reduction Specialist, and the RTC were awarded the Commuter Option Vanpool award for the RTC's vanpool program. The award was announced at their international conference. Vanpools are essential in getting people to work who may otherwise not have a source of transportation to the outlying areas.

Lastly, E.D. Gibson introduced Dan Doenges as the Acting Director of Planning during Director Amy Cummings' maternity leave. He also introduced Angela Reich as the Acting Director of Administrative Services; appointed when Director Steve Burlie retired.

### **Item 3.2 RTC Federal Report**

E.D. Gibson recapped the written report which was provided in the Board agenda packets. He mentioned that candidate Clinton has supported a 5-year \$275 billion dollar transportation plan and candidate Trump has suggested he may double that proposal.

### **Item 3.3 NDOT Director Report**

Director Rudy Malfabon gave a presentation update on the Spaghetti Bowl improvements study, showing some of the different options for improvement such as a new ramp going over existing onramps for the Wells onramp eastbound. However, there must be more outreach and development for the impacts that could occur.

With regard to the Spaghetti Bowl itself, there are many challenges and impacts to overcome such as tribal land, the railroad, parks, etc., which would be part of the environmental study phase.

He then introduced Chad Anson from C.A. Group who reviewed the traffic studies they've been conducting along with the next steps to occur. The full study should be completed by June 2017, along with their recommended improvements.

Upon Mr. Anson's conclusion, Dir. Malfabon stated that his staff is working on preparing the RFP to hire a consultant to do the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Spaghetti Bowl. He added that many parts of this project will need to be accelerated due to their importance and need. An EIS generally takes 4-5 years but efforts are being made to accelerate this one to try to get it down to three years.

Commissioner Bybee asked for clarification on the project completion.

Dir. Malfabon responded that because federal funds are being used, the law requires the various studies such as the EIS, etc. before construction can even begin. The major improvements should be completed within approximately 10 years.

Commissioner McKenzie asked if some of the short-term improvements could be implemented in the North Valleys in the meantime. If something doesn't happen soon, growth will need to be halted.

Chair Jardon asked if some of the short-term fixes could be rolled out quickly, such as variable speed limits.

Dir. Malfabon said that yes, some of them can be rolled out without an EIS but business owners need to be informed prior to implementation.

Chair Jardon said the problems really stood out during Hot August Nights when custom cars were wrecked.

Commissioner Lucey added that the I-80/US 395 corridors bring tourists to many of the activities occurring in our area, so if something isn't done to fix the traffic problems, people may stop coming to the area.

Chair Jardon asked if Storey County has discussed contributing to any of the Spaghetti Bowl improvements, adding that many of their businesses employees are adding to the congestion.

Dir. Malfabon said they have not offered as far as he's heard.

**\*\*Commissioner Berkbigler departed the meeting at 10:20 a.m.\*\***

He then wrapped up with a pedestrian safety improvement project update on Sun Valley Blvd. where flashing beacons were installed along with ADA improvements and refuge islands in the median. On Kietzke Lane there are several intersection improvements that will be underway shortly. And on N. Virginia at Talus Way and Moraine Way there are some lighting improvements and flashing beacons going in. Lastly, the permanent fix at the Bonanza Casino will be completed in the next year.

Dir. Malfabon also said his staff and RPD have continued to clear out and clean up the homeless encampments along the freeways but they come right back as soon as NDOT and RPD leave. Unfortunately, it's a continuing cycle so NDOT is working with the local entities to do what they can.

***Item 4.1 thru 4.15 CONSENT ITEMS***

***Minutes***

**4.1 Approve the minutes of the July 15, 2016, meeting (*For Possible Action*)**

***Engineering***

**4.2 Acknowledge receipt of the monthly Engineering Activity Report (*For Possible Action*)**

***Public Transportation/Operations***

**4.3 Acknowledge receipt of the monthly Public Transportation/Operations Activity Report (*For Possible Action*)**

Chair Jardon called Cathy Brandhorst to the podium for public comment.

Ms. Brandhorst spoke on matters of importance to herself.

***Planning***

- 4.4 Acknowledge receipt of the monthly Planning Activity Report (*For Possible Action*)**

***Finance***

- 4.5 Approve the Investment Committee report for the quarter ended June 30, 2016, and provide direction accordingly (*For Possible Action*)**

***Procurement and Contracts***

- 4.6 Approve CCFEA Amendments for the extension of Regional Road Impact Fee (RRIF) credit expiration dates (*For Possible Action*)**
- 4.7 Approve the RRIF Offset Agreement with Panattoni Development Company, Inc. and the City of Reno for RRIF Waivers for offset-eligible improvements to the intersections of North Virginia St/Lemmon Drive and Lemmon Drive/US 395 (*For Possible Action*)**
- 4.8 Approve the agreement with Stanley Consultants for Independent Cost Estimating (ICE) services on the Virginia Street RAPID Extension Project in an amount not to exceed \$299,960; authorize the RTC Executive Director to execute the agreement (*For Possible Action*)**
- 4.9 Approve Amendment 3 to the Trapeze Software Supply Agreement from 2004 with Trapeze Software Group, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$43,700, for implementation of the Pass-Info software application; authorize the RTC Executive Director to finalize and execute the amendment (*For Possible Action*)**
- 4.10 Authorize the RTC Executive Director to extend the maintenance agreement with Trapeze Software for PASS Paratransit support for one year in an amount not to exceed \$60,147.00 (*For Possible Action*)**
- 4.11 Approve a Data Transport Service agreement with Charter Business for a five year term in an amount not to exceed \$120,000; authorize the RTC Executive Director to execute the agreement (*For Possible Action*)**
- 4.12 Approve a contract with RFI Communications & Security Systems for the installation and programming of an Avigilon IP Closed Circuitry Television System for the RTC Terminal Way Building, RTC Centennial Plaza and RTC 4<sup>th</sup> Street Station, at a cost not to exceed \$125,000; authorize the RTC Executive Director to execute the contract (*For Possible Action*)**
- 4.13 Approve a Professional Services Agreement (PSA) with Traffic Works in an amount not to exceed \$220,600 for consulting services on the Traffic Data Collection Project; authorize the RTC Executive Director to execute the agreement (*For Possible Action*)**
- 4.14 Approve Section 5310 grant agreements with: 1) Access to Healthcare Network in an amount not to exceed \$167,557; 2) CitiCare in an amount not to exceed \$373,862; 3) Seniors in Service (Senior Companion Program) in an amount not to exceed \$52,360; and 4) United Cerebral Palsy of Nevada in an amount not to exceed \$105,750. Authorize the Executive Director to execute the final agreements once the FTA grant number has been assigned (*For Possible Action*)**

### ***Inter-Governmental Agreements***

**4.15 Approve an Interlocal agreement with the City of Reno (COR) to be used for providing fueling and access to maintenance facilities for the donated ACCESS Vans to the City of Reno Parks and Recreation Senior Services; authorize the RTC Chair to execute the agreement (*For Possible Action*)**

Chair Jardon clarified that this specific agreement provides the City with access to fuel the ACCESS vans which were donated to them. They use Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) instead of regular gasoline or diesel.

On motion of Commissioner McKenzie, seconded by Commissioner Lucey, which motion carried unanimously, Chair Jardon ordered that Consent Items 4.1 through 4.15 be approved.

### ***Item 5.1 thru 5.2 PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION AND OPERATIONS***

**5.1 Acknowledge receipt and direct staff accordingly following a discussion pertaining to the development of a request for proposals (RFP) for the operations and maintenance of the RTC ACCESS paratransit system (*For Possible Action*)**

Chair Jardon called Cathy Brandhorst to the podium for public comment.

Ms. Brandhorst, local resident, spoke on matters of importance to herself.

David Jickling, RTC Director of Public Transportation and Operations, addressed the Board to brief them on the preparation and timelines of the RFP for the operations and maintenance of the RTC ACCESS paratransit system, as set forth in the briefing materials for this agenda item.

Meetings have been already held with the anticipated proposers to understand the current trends and technologies in the business and to learn what does and does not work well within the community. All six of the firms agreed that there should be better brokering of services, utilizing other operators such as Uber and Lyft. He then asked for direction on how much oversight the Board would like the RTC to have going forward.

Chair Jardon said that the Board direction would most likely result from user feedback given to them. She then asked if there is a user group that will or could provide feedback.

Mr. Jickling said there is no such evaluation or input committee in place at this time but it is definitely something that could be put together.

Chair Jardon then listed a few “easy fixes” for issues mentioned earlier in the meeting:

- The building letter will be added to the agenda.
- She believes there should be some sort of fee waiver or similar impact if an ACCESS driver is running behind.
- GPS announcements should be corrected.

On motion of Commissioner McKenzie, seconded by Commissioner Lucey, which motion carried unanimously, Chair Jardon ordered that receipt be acknowledged.

5.2 Receive a report for discussion and direction on a potential lease agreement with Greyhound for their use of the RTC's 4<sup>th</sup> Street Station facility; authorize the Executive Director to negotiate and execute a lease agreement with Greyhound if appropriate (*For Possible Action*)

David Jickling, RTC Director of Public Transportation and Operations, addressed the Board to report on current activities pertaining to Greyhound's use of RTC's 4<sup>th</sup> Street Station. Currently, Megabus and Trailways are operating out of RTC's Centennial Plaza because there is more capacity to absorb extra buses and services than 4<sup>th</sup> Street Station has. However, Greyhound will only need one bay for their buses and a small kiosk for ticket sales and customer service.

Chair Jardon asked how many buses per day they would run through 4<sup>th</sup> Street Station and what is their average ridership.

Mr. Jickling responded that there would be 16 buses per day at one bus per hour for a 16 hour duration, with approximately 30 passengers per bus.

Chair Jardon then asked if any of the lease money would go back into the public transit system and if so, how much.

Mr. Jickling said additional maintenance and security costs need to be covered and then if there is a profit of any sort it would go back into the RTC system. Staff is currently considering a \$5,000 per month lease.

Commissioner Bybee asked if there are any taxi stands at the facility.

Mr. Jickling said there are no taxi stands. The RTC is actually concerned that there is nowhere for a taxi or family to drop off or pick up Greyhound passengers because Greyhound has parking facilities and taxi stand areas in their current location. Vehicles are discouraged from driving into the facility so people generally pick up passengers down the street somewhere.

Commissioner Lucey is concerned about the impacts to 4<sup>th</sup> Street Station and the congestion problems that may result. There could also be added safety issues with the extra bus and pedestrian traffic. He would like to make sure that Greyhound works with the RTC to manage those issues so they don't fall on the RTC.

Chair Jardon asked who owns the property adjacent to 4<sup>th</sup> Street Station that has all the garbage on it.

Mr. Jickling said the City of Reno owns it but it is currently being leased to the Men's Club.

On motion of Commissioner McKenzie, seconded by Commissioner Bybee, which motion carried unanimously, Chair Jardon ordered that receipt be acknowledged and the Executive Director be authorized to negotiate and execute an agreement with Greyhound.

**Item 6.1 thru 6.4 ENGINEERING**

6.1 Acknowledge receipt of the SouthEast Connector monthly progress report (*For Possible Action*)

Garth Oksol, RTC Sr. Engineer and Project Manager, provided an update on the current activities in all segments of the SouthEast Connector project, as set forth in the briefing materials for this agenda item. He added that monthly tours of the project are very popular and are actually fully booked out in advance.

On motion of Commissioner McKenzie, seconded by Commissioner Lucey, which motion carried unanimously, Chair Jardon ordered that receipt be acknowledged.

6.2 Approve a Resolution of Condemnation authorizing RTC's legal counsel to commence condemnation proceedings to acquire two (2) public utility easements on APN 007-313-13 from Elmwood Properties, LLC, a Nevada Limited Liability Company, to construct 4<sup>th</sup> Street & Prater Way Bus Rapid Transit Project from Evans Avenue to Pyramid Way (*For Possible Action*)

Chair Jardon called Michael Chapman to the podium for public comment.

Mr. Chapman spoke on behalf of the Elmwood properties in opposition of this item with specific concern to the easements being requested for placement on the front and rear of the properties.

RTC Legal Counsel Dale Ferguson explained the purpose of acquiring the two public utility easements and said he and RTC staff had previously met with Mr. Chapman and his clients but have not been successful in the negotiations for purchase. Therefore, the Board is being asked to approve this Resolution of Condemnation should it ultimately become necessary. In the meantime, negotiations will continue with the hope of coming to an agreement.

Jeff Hale, RTC Engineering Director, addressed the Board and explained that this has been looked into very closely and other alternatives are not really feasible due to the additional costs associated with placement further down the road. Additionally, on the alley side of the property there is a twelve foot setback requirement that the property owner cannot build on, so that is where it is planned to install the vault. It would encroach the buildable property by approximately two feet.

There is also an existing Kinder Morgan fuel line that runs all the way down 4<sup>th</sup> Street and there can be no trenching within ten feet of that fuel line which then pushes everything to the south and to the sidewalk.

Chair Jardon asked if the main concern with the other locations is money or an energy/safety access issue.



Mr. Hale said it is more of a combination of both.

Commissioner Bybee asked more questions on the safety hazards related to the placement of the facilities.

Mr. Hale said that as long as the ten foot distance is kept from the fuel line and all codes are followed, there shouldn't be additional safety hazards. To place the facilities in the public walkway at 4<sup>th</sup> Street Station would create a larger footprint due to the public safety additions that would be required. There would also be an added cost of approximately \$50,000-100,000 for the extra trenching, the additional vault and equipment to get it there and the additional protections that would be required to keep the public safe.

Chair Jardon then invited Mr. Chapman to speak again.

Mr. Chapman ultimately said that it will cost the public more money in land purchase and litigation costs than it would to place the vault at 4<sup>th</sup> Street Station.

There were additional questions from the Board members regarding the setback area, placement of the equipment, current property use, etc.

On motion of Commissioner Lucey, seconded by Commissioner McKenzie, which motion carried unanimously by those present, Chair Jardon ordered that the Resolution of Condemnation be approved with direction to staff and legal to continue working on an alternative with the property owners if at all possible.

6.3 Approve a Resolution of Condemnation authorizing RTC's legal counsel to commence condemnation proceedings to acquire one (1) public utility easement on APN 007-314-01 and one (1) public utility easement and one (1) temporary construction easement on APN 007-314-13 from Don & Michele Gibson, LLC, a Nevada limited liability company as to a 49% percent interest; and Ronald James Gibson LLC, a Nevada limited liability company as to a 51% percent interest, all as tenants in common, to construct 4<sup>th</sup> Street & Prater Way Bus Rapid Transit Project from Evans Avenue to Pyramid Way (*For Possible Action*)

RTC Legal Counsel Dale Ferguson explained the purpose of acquiring the public utility easement and one temporary construction easement, as set forth in the briefing materials for this agenda item. He stated again that he and RTC staff had previously met with the property owners and their counsel but have not been successful in the negotiations for the easements. Therefore, the Board is being asked to approve this Resolution of Condemnation should it ultimately become necessary. In the meantime, negotiations will continue with the hope of coming to an agreement.

Chair Jardon opened the item for public comment.

Ms. Cathy Brandhorst, local resident, spoke on matters of importance to herself.

Mr. Jerry Snyder, representing Jim and Don Gibson, spoke in opposition to this agenda item stating that there is a vacant lot adjacent which may be built on, but if this transformer is added it splits the two properties so that they may not be built on as one contiguous property, rendering it useless. He and his clients believe there are alternative locations that could be explored but they will continue to negotiate with the RTC in good faith with hopes for an agreement.

Ms. Danielle Gann-Lind, representing the Morris Hotel, spoke in opposition to this agenda item, expressing that the vacant lot is used as a community events location and is frequently offered to the public to hold events at no charge.

Jeff Hale, RTC Engineering Director, explained that this property borders Record Street which has the railroad spur going through it. So in order to run the power and communication lines underneath the railroad, a pit needs to be put on this particular property so equipment can be put in to push the pipe through. After that, power lines must be run through those pipes and up to the transformer which then provides power to the east of that location.

Mr. Hale added that staff had met with the property owners to explain what needed to be done and thought they were in agreement. There had been no mention of putting buildings on the adjacent property until an email had been received the night before this Board meeting. The property may still be used as it is today but a building may not be placed on top of the easement. As with item 6.2, there are setback requirements for these properties. He added that making changes to the easements on any one of these properties for the project will, in-turn, require adjustments to all of the other easements.

Commissioner McKenzie asked if this is an underground easement and is there anything above ground for either of the easements in question.

Mr. Hale said yes, it is an underground easement but on the northwestern portion, near Record Street, there is a transformer that would be above ground behind the hotel.

Commissioner Bybee confirmed that nothing may be built on top of the underground easement.

Mr. Hale confirmed.

Chair Jardon asked Mr. Snyder when the renderings he passed out were drawn.

Mr. Snyder replied that they were drawn within the week and they represent what the property owners would like to have the option of doing.

Commissioner McKenzie asked how many easements have been required for this project.

Mr. Hale responded that there were a total of 182 parcels.

Commissioner McKenzie asked how many are similar to this one.

Mr. Hale said there are ten long stretches that are similar and out of the 182 requested, there have not been any administrative settlements required.

Commissioner Bybee asked how this affects the project timelines.

Mr. Hale said that the project was planned for construction in January beginning with the utility relocations and assuming all property rights were acquired. So if a redesign for utilities is needed it could easily delay the project up to six months. The FTA is also very interested in the construction schedule because it affects funding.

Chair Jardon asked Mr. Hale how long staff had been working with the property owners.

He replied that it had been about a year.

On motion of Commissioner McKenzie, seconded by Commissioner Bybee, which motion carried unanimously by those present, Chair Jardon ordered that the Resolution of Condemnation be approved.

6.4 Approve a Resolution of Condemnation authorizing RTC's legal counsel to commence condemnation proceedings to acquire one (1) public utility easement, one (1) permanent easement and one (1) temporary construction easement on APN 008-244-15 from John Iliescu, Jr. and Sonnia Iliescu, Trustees of the John Iliescu, Jr. and Sonnia Iliescu 1992 Family Trust, Agreement dated January 24, 1992, to construct 4<sup>th</sup> Street & Prater Way Bus Rapid Transit Project from Evans Avenue to Pyramid Way (*For Possible Action*)

RTC Legal Counsel Dale Ferguson explained the purpose of acquiring the public utility easement, one permanent easement and one temporary construction easement, as set forth in the briefing materials for this agenda item. He stated again that he and RTC staff had previously met with the property owners and their counsel but have not been successful in the negotiations for the easements. Therefore, the Board is being asked to approve this Resolution of Condemnation should it ultimately become necessary. In the meantime, negotiations will continue with the hope of coming to an agreement.

Commissioner Bybee asked RTC Engineering Director Jeff Hale what, specifically, these easements are for.

Mr. Hale responded that this is for a vault and switch which will connect power with the service across the street (and runs down the street). It will be on the NE corner of the property and there is no access being blocked to the property.

On motion of Commissioner McKenzie, seconded by Commissioner Bybee, which motion carried unanimously by those present, Chair Jardon ordered that the Resolution of Condemnation be approved.

**\*\*Commissioner Bybee departed the meeting at 12:00 p.m.\*\***

Chair Jardon opened the item for public comment.

Dr. John Iliescu, property owner, spoke in opposition to this agenda item with concern that the transformer box on the NE corner would block any truck access for the existing building and would like to know why it can't be moved further down the block.

Mr. Richard K. Johnson, owner of the Johnson Group, spoke in opposition to this agenda item and offered alternative locations for the transformer box. He would like to meet with staff to discuss further.

Chair Jardon reminded Mr. Johnson that the Resolution had already been voted on; however, that does not preclude staff from further meeting to resolve the issue without condemnation.

Mr. Joseph Campbell, appraiser representing Mr. Iliescu, spoke in opposition to this agenda item because the offer that was made to Mr. Iliescu was for a 50% taking of the underground and does not include compensation for the surface vault and switch.

Ms. Sonia Iliescu, property owner, spoke in opposition to this agenda item because the above ground equipment may hamper operations of the building and truck access.

***Item 7.1 thru 7.2 METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (MPO)***

7.1 Accept a report on the North Valleys Multimodal Transportation Study and provide direction accordingly (*For Possible Action*)

Chair Jardon called Cathy Brandhorst to the podium for public comment.

Ms. Brandhorst, local resident, spoke on matters of importance to herself.

Dan Doenges, RTC Acting Director of Planning, addressed the Board to give a presentation update on the North Valleys Multimodal Transportation Study, as set forth in the briefing materials for this agenda item.

A contract has been awarded and construction is scheduled to begin in the upcoming weeks for some of the planned short-term pedestrian improvements. He then detailed the planned improvements. (a copy of the full presentation may be obtained by contacting Denise Thompson at [dthompson@rtcwashoe.com](mailto:dthompson@rtcwashoe.com) or 775-335-1826) Mr. Doenges then offered to answer any questions.

Commissioner McKenzie said there had been discussions on matching transportation between pricey housing and jobs in the North Valleys that do not pay enough for their staff to afford the housing being built. Therefore, he believes that project is a low priority.

Commissioner McKenzie continued, saying that the current priority is getting truck traffic off of Stead Blvd. and moving it to Moya, so a signal light will be a better plan than a roundabout at Red

Rock and Moya. He added that the traffic improvements cannot wait for ten years or development will need to be put on hold.

On motion of Commissioner Lucey, seconded by Commissioner McKenzie, which motion carried unanimously by those present, Chair Jardon ordered that the report be accepted.

7.2 Receive status report about the 2040 Regional Transportation Plan and approve the draft project listing (*For Possible Action*)

A motion was made by Chair Jardon to continue this item to a future meeting so detailed discussion may occur. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lucey and carried unanimously by those present.

On discussion, Commissioner Lucey agreed with Commissioner McKenzie that traffic issues are going to be an issue for development in the North Valleys and agrees with the Chair that Item 7.2 should be carried over so detailed discussion may occur.

#### ***Item 8.1      LEGAL REPORT***

Legal Counsel Dale Ferguson updated the Board on the matter involving the demolition contractor used on the Pyramid/McCarran project. He had reported that arbitration would occur in September but it has now been postponed until December.

Commissioner McKenzie asked if this would adversely affect the construction schedule.

Mr. Ferguson said no, the work is already done and this dispute is over contract issues.

#### ***Item 9          PUBLIC INPUT***

Chair Jardon opened the meeting to public input and called on anyone wishing to speak on topics relevant to the Regional Transportation Commission (RTC) that are not included in the current agenda.

Mr. Ray Lake, representing the GVPOA, spoke in agreement with Commissioner McKenzie's comments on development in the North Valleys. At recent advisory board meetings there have been proposed developments for 4,100, 1,100, 300, 738, and 500 dwellings. These dwellings are going to add 34,000 trips per day.

Ms. Brandhorst, local resident, spoke on matters of importance to herself.

There being no one else wishing to speak, the Chair closed public input.

**Item 10 MEMBER ITEMS**

Commissioner Lucey requested that an item be brought back to a future meeting on MPO Megaregions.

E.D. Gibson said those items will be brought to the next meeting.

Commissioner Lucey would like staff to look into the website ADA violations reported.

**Item 11 ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 12:22 p.m.

  
NEOMA JARDON, Chair  
Regional Transportation Commission