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AGENDA ITEM 3.10

TO: Regional Transportation Commission

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SUBJECT: Procurement for the selection of Engineering Professional Services for the Design of the Center Street Cycle Track and Sierra Street Bicycle Lane Project

RECOMMENDATION

Authorize the procurement for the selection of Engineering Professional Services for the Design of the Center Street Cycle Track and Sierra Street Bicycle Lane Project.

SUMMARY

The RTC conducted a study of the bicycle facility options on Center and Sierra Streets. After a robust public outreach including presentations to RTC Board and the City of Reno staff recommends a two-way cycle track on Center Street as well as a southbound bicycle lane on Sierra Street.

The procurement will begin the process of a qualification-based selection to select a Service Provider to perform Engineering services to develop the design for the Center Street Cycle Track and Sierra Street Bicycle Lane Project.

FISCAL IMPACT

Appropriations are included in the FY 19 Budget and FY 19 Program of Projects.

PREVIOUS ACTIONS BY BOARD

- January 18, 2019 Approved Bicycle Facility Alternatives Analysis, for Center, Sierra and Virginia Streets Report.

- August 17, 2018 Acknowledge receipt of a report on the Bicycle Facility Alternatives Analysis for Center, Sierra and Virginia Streets and provided direction.

May 18, 2017	Approved the 2040 RTP
June 15, 2017	Approved the Bicycle & Pedestrian Master Plan
August 17, 2017	Approved the FFY 2018-2022 RTIP

ADDITIONAL BACKGROUND

The Bicycle Facilities Alternatives Analysis for Center, Sierra and Virginia Streets was completed by Traffic Works, LLC and approved by the RTC Board on January 18, 2019. The purpose of the study was to identify bicycle facility options on the main streets in downtown Reno. The preferred alternative recommended is a two-way cycle track on Center Street as well as a southbound bicycle lane on Sierra Street. The Alternatives were evaluated for feasibility based on the available space within the roadway (curb to curb), level of traffic stress (safety), planning level cost estimates, existing roadway capacity, lane & parking impacts, maintenance factors, and connectivity.

The RTC identified both Center Street and Sierra Street as high priority bicycle projects in the Bicycle & Pedestrian Master Plan and as candidate roadways for complete street design treatments in the Complete Street Master Plan. These projects were also included in the first five years of the 2040 Regional Transportation Plan.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE(S) RECOMMENDATION

There are no advisory committee recommendations regarding this report.