

**REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
WASHOE COUNTY, NEVADA**

FRIDAY

9:02 A.M.

March 15, 2019

PRESENT:

**Neoma Jardon, Reno City Council Member, Vice Chair
Vaughn Hartung, Washoe County Commissioner
Oscar Delgado, Reno City Council Member
Kristopher Dahir, Sparks City Council Member (Alternate)
Marcia Berkbigler, Washoe County Commissioner (Alternate)**

**Lee G. Gibson, RTC Executive Director
Dale Ferguson, Legal Counsel
Bill Hoffman, Deputy Director of NDOT**

NOT PRESENT:

**Bob Lucey, Washoe County Commissioner, Chairman
Ron Smith, Sparks City Council Member
Kristina Swallow, Director of NDOT**

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

Item 1 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

RTC Executive Director Lee Gibson requested that Item 6.4 be removed from the agenda and Commissioner Hartung requested that Item 9, Member Items, be moved up to follow Item 1.

On motion of Commissioner Hartung, seconded by Commissioner Delgado, which motion unanimously carried, Vice Chair Jardon ordered that the agenda for this meeting be approved with the aforementioned changes.

Item 9 MEMBER ITEMS

Commissioner Hartung requested that a report be brought to the next meeting on the Lemmon Drive elevation and widening project and what a phased approach might look like. He also would like to know if the project can be advanced on RTC's CIP and will that effect the time schedule it's already on, and where we are on soliciting a consultant. He would like to discuss a plan on how future development *will* reimburse the RTC if or when we move forward with the widening project. Lastly, he would like to know what, if any, federal issues may arise such as the Clean Water Act requirements or Army Corp Section 404 permits, and if there is any possible federal

funding such as FEMA or Federal Highway funds and what the schedule might be for those agencies.

Item 2.1 PUBLIC INPUT

Vice 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 or are not included in the current agenda.

Mr. Mark Casey, representing Wood Rodgers, addressed the Board to thank them, along with the cities of Reno and Sparks, for letting them play a part in the 4th/Prater project. Then he presented a plaque and an informational poster board while announcing the 4th/Prater project as Project of the Year.

Commissioner Dahir asked to get a copy of the poster board shown at the meeting.

Ms. Kaci Thomas, representing ASCE - TMB, addressed the Board to announce the award of the ASCE Transportation Project of the Year for the 4th Street/Prater Way project. She then named the multitude of partners on this project and presented a plaque to the RTC. A plaque will also be given to Spanish Springs Construction and Wood Rogers for their participation in the project.

Mr. Matthew Rogers, local resident, supports importance of beautifully designed bike racks planned for installation on RTC projects but wants to make sure they are also functional and meet the needs of riders. He suggested a standardized design for bike racks be created for installation around the city.

Ms. Kate Thomas, representing Washoe County, thanked the RTC for their strategic partnership in helping to bring the 2019 Transforming Local Government conference to Reno. She then discussed some of the events that will occur at the conference.

Mr. John McCann, representing the Truckee Meadows Bicycle Alliance, first thanked the RTC for its continued support of the Truckee Meadows Bicycle Alliance by donating time and meeting space as well as staff support. Second, he wants to make sure the bike racks being installed in Midtown are functional and artistic, but mostly functional. He would like to participate in the selection if possible. He also supports the two-way cycle track planned for installation on a portion of the Oddie Boulevard but would like to see it extended along the entire project.

Mr. Andrew Samuelsen, representing the Truckee Meadows Bicycle Alliance, supports the two-way cycle track planned for installation on a portion of the Oddie Boulevard project but would also like to see it extended along the entire project. He also thanked the RTC for welcoming members of the public to be a part of the process.

Dr. John Sagebiel, representing Truckee Meadows Bicycle Alliance, said they have been working with UNR to improve connectivity between the campus and the downtown corridor. He supports the two-way cycle track planned for installation on a portion of the Oddie Boulevard project but would like to see it extended along the entire project.

Ms. Rebekah Stetson, local resident, supports the two-way cycle track planned for installation on a portion of the Oddie Boulevard project but would like to see it extended to 9th Street.

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

Commissioner Dahir requested that Item 9 be re-opened and made a motion to that effect, seconded by Commissioner Hartung and upon a vote, passed unanimously, so Item 9 was re-opened.

Commissioner Dahir requested that an update on the Oddie/Wells project be brought to either the April or May meeting.

Commissioner Hartung mentioned a vertical bicycle rack that had been presented to the City of Reno a few years back, saying that it was really effective, secure and innovative. He suggested that someone look into finding the information on that.

Commissioner Dahir said that when conversation came up about potential Microtransit being tested out in Sparks, some of the senior residents took that to mean transit reach would be farther out, but now it sounds like that might not happen, so he would like to have a conversation on making it happen.

Item 2.2 ADVISORY COMMITTEES SUMMARY REPORT

On motion of Commissioner Dahir, seconded by Commissioner Berkgigler, which motion unanimously carried, Vice 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 3.15 CONSENT ITEMS

E.D. Gibson requested that Items 3.14 and 3.15 be pulled for discussion; Commissioner Dahir requested that Item 3.7 and 3.9 and 3.15 be pulled for discussion.

Minutes

3.1 Approve the minutes of the February 15, 2019, meeting (*For Possible Action*)

Engineering

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

Public Transportation/Operations

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

Planning

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

Administration

3.5 Acknowledge receipt of the monthly Procurement Activity Report (*For Possible Action*)

3.6 Approve modification of RTC Management Policy P-27 Code of Ethical Standards (*For Possible Action*)

Procurement and Contracts

3.7 *Pulled for discussion*

3.8 Authorize the RTC Executive Director to exercise Option Year One under the contract with Universal Protection Service, LP, dba Allied Universal Security Services (Allied Universal) for security services, and approve an amendment that increases the compensation under the contract for Option Year One to \$789,452, and the compensation for Option year two to \$812,371 (*For Possible Action*)

3.9 *Pulled for discussion*

3.10 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 (*For Possible Action*)

3.11 Approve an agreement with ViriCiti in an amount not to exceed \$86,305 for a technology package to provide real-time status monitoring of electric buses and charging stations; authorize the RTC Executive Director to execute the agreement (*For Possible Action*)

3.12 Approve a Professional Services Agreement (PSA) with Kimley-Horn in an amount not to exceed \$200,000.00 for consulting services on the University Area Multimodal Transportation Study; authorize the RTC Executive Director to execute the agreement (*For Possible Action*)

3.13 Authorize the procurement for the selection of Engineering Professional Services for the Eagle Canyon Extension Alignment Alternatives and Planning and Environmental Linkages (PEL) Study (*For Possible Action*)

3.14 *Pulled for discussion*

Inter-Agency Agreements

3.15 *Pulled for discussion*

On motion of Commissioner Hartung, seconded by Commissioner Delgado, which motion carried unanimously, Vice Chair Jardon ordered that Consent Items 3.1 through 3.15 be approved with the exception of Items 3.7, 3.9, 3.14, and 3.15 which were pulled for discussion.

3.7 Approve an amendment with Loomis Armored US, LLC to extend the term of option year two of their current agreement to June 30, 2019. The amendment adds approximately \$30,000 for a new not-to-exceed amount of \$143,000; authorize the RTC Executive Director to execute the amendment (*For Possible Action*)

Commissioner Dahir asked how much has been spent so far when there are only three months remaining on the contract and is it approximately \$10,000 per month.

Ms. Stephanie Haddock, RTC Finance Director and CFO, responded that yes, about \$10,000 per month is spent for servicing all of the RTC's ticket vending machines at the two transit centers, they also pick up the fare box money, count it and then deposit it.

On motion of Commissioner Dahir, seconded by Commissioner Delgado, which motion unanimously carried, Vice Chair Jardon ordered that Item 3.7 be approved.

3.9 Approve a Master Services Agreement with CA Group, Inc. to provide engineering design and construction management services for the Bus Stop Improvement and Connectivity Program (Bus Stop ICP) for up to three years; approve Task Order #1 for the 2019 construction season in an amount not-to-exceed \$441,705; authorize the RTC Executive Director to execute the agreement and task order (*For Possible Action*)

Commissioner Dahir asked what the status is on improvements to the existing bus stops that have problems and are just sitting.

Mr. Brian Stewart, RTC Director of Engineering, responded that this contract includes some of those repairs but it will be phased, beginning in the first year with construction of the first 60 of the stops and tackling some of the more difficult stops in the two years following.

Commissioner Dahir wants to make sure that this is not only looking at a specific area but is regional in scope.

Mr. Stewart confirmed that it is a region-wide project.

Commissioner Hartung agrees that some turn-outs be taken care of where needed along with whatever right-of-way may be needed. He would like the project to start within the core area and work out from there.

On motion of Commissioner Dahir, seconded by Commissioner Hartung, which motion unanimously carried, Vice Chair Jardon ordered that Item 3.9 be approved.

3.14 Approve the agreement with Keolis Transit Services, LLC for four years plus two, three-year options, in an amount not-to-exceed \$ 241,980,310, for the operation and maintenance of RTC RIDE Fixed-Route Service; and authorize the RTC Executive Director to execute the agreement (*For Possible Action*)

E.D. Gibson explained that at the previous meeting there were several concerns raised by the commissioners, so he wanted to note that those concerns were all incorporated into this agreement, such as retention of workforce, customer satisfaction surveys and a possible phone app, as well as a periodic check-in to the commission on service performance. He then thanked all participants in this procurement, adding that there was quite a bit of extra effort put forth. He also thanked MV Transportation and wished them well in the future.

On motion of Commissioner Dahir, seconded by Commissioner Berkbigler, which motion unanimously carried, Vice Chair Jardon ordered that Item 3.14 be approved.

3.15 Approve an Interlocal Cooperative Agreement (ICA) between the RTC and the City of Reno in an amount not to exceed \$120,000 for Midtown Bike Racks and Benches (Virginia Street Bus Rapid Transit Project); authorize the RTC Executive Director to execute the agreement (*For Possible Action*)

E.D. Gibson explained that with approval by the FTA, this ICA removes the bike racks and benches from the Midtown portion of the Virginia Street project and transfers those budgeted funds to the City of Reno. It will now be the fiduciary responsibility of the City of Reno, in cooperation with the RTC, to select the benches and bike racks for the Midtown section of the corridor. He then thanked staff from the City of Reno for their help in working together.

Commissioner Dahir asked if this is normal protocol to transfer funds on a project like this or is it a new protocol. He added that he believes the City of Sparks pays for their own benches.

E.D. Gibson said that the RTC does quite often pay for benches and bike racks, such as at the rest areas along the multi-use path on the Southeast Connector. He then further explained that this agreement basically takes the RTC money and moves it to Reno so they can choose their specific benches and bike racks.

Commissioner Hartung clarified that the staff report specifically states that the RTC will reimburse the City of Reno for the design, purchase and installation of the bike racks and benches up to the budgeted amount of \$120,000, but no more than that amount. The RTC is not simply handing over \$120,000 to the City of Reno.

E.D. Gibson confirmed.

On motion of Commissioner Dahir, seconded by Commissioner Delgado, which motion unanimously carried, Vice Chair Jardon ordered that Item 3.15 be approved.

Item 4.1 PUBLIC HEARING - no earlier than 9:10 a.m. Time Certain:

Discussion and recommendation to approve the resolution adopting Amendment No. 2 to the FFY 2018-2022 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP) and the Self Certification for the metropolitan transportation planning process.

Ms. Amy Cummings, RTC Director of Planning and Deputy Executive Director, gave a presentation to explain the purpose of this amendment. The amendment will include specific NDOT Safety Improvements as well as the one-year pilot program to jump-start the RTC RIDE Universal Access Transit Pass (U-Pass). The RTC will fund the first year start-up and the University would then fund subsequent years. She then offered to answer any questions. (Presentation available by contacting dthompson@rtcwashoe.com)

Commissioner Hartung asked what the NDOT upgrades are going to be in Wadsworth.

Ms. Lori Campbell, NDOT Traffic Safety Engineer, responded that two pedestrian improvements and a multi-use path are being installed.

Commissioner Hartung asked what those pedestrian improvements will connect.

Ms. Campbell said they are crossings that will connect near the school and the community center.

This being a public hearing, Vice Chair Jardon opened the meeting to public input and called on anyone wishing to speak on this topic.

Mr. Ryan McKinny addressed the board to request that the crosswalks on McCarran and Greg have audible signals.

There being no one else wishing to speak, public input for this item was closed.

On motion of Commissioner Hartung, seconded by Commissioner Dahir, which motion unanimously carried, Vice Chair Jardon ordered that the resolution adopting Amendment No. 2 to the FFY 2018-2022 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP) and the Self Certification for the metropolitan transportation planning process be approved.

Item 5.1 thru 5.3 DIRECTOR REPORTS

Item 5.1 RTC Executive Director Report

E.D. Gibson spoke briefly on the following topics which were upcoming at the time of this meeting:

1. The St Patrick's Day FREE Safe RIDE was the Sunday following this meeting. Free transit service began at 4 pm and continued until 2 am. All regular scheduled RTC transit services were free to the public.
2. On Tuesday, March 26th, the RTC would be hosting the South Meadows Multimodal Transportation Study community meeting at Damonte Ranch High School and would be livestreamed on Facebook.
3. On Thursday, March 28th, the RTC planned to host the Oddie Wells Project public meeting at the Washoe County Senior Center at the Washoe County Complex on 9th Street at 5 pm. The presentation was scheduled to begin at 5:30 pm and would be livestreamed on Facebook.
4. The RTC is in the process of preparing a grant application to the U.S. Department of Transportation for the Automated Driving System (ADS) Demonstration Grant for "A Living Lab Ecosystem: Connecting Cars, Full-sized Transit Buses and Intersections with Automated Driving Systems in Northern Nevada."

The application will be submitted in partnership with the University of Nevada, Reno, Proterra, Easy Mile and the City of Reno.

This project will bring advanced connected vehicle technology and a proven Advanced Driving Systems together in a public transit setting to advance the research and development of ADS technology.

Using a 40-foot battery electric Proterra bus and a Level-3 autonomous vehicle, this project expands upon the pioneering efforts of UNR's Nevada Center for Applied Research, Intelligent Mobility Initiative to test and refine systems in which vehicles sense their environment and communicate with other vehicles, infrastructure, and people.

Commissioner Hartung suggested calling the Free RIDE program the "Green Line" for the night.

Item 5.2 RTC Federal Report

A written update is available in the staff report materials for this item, but E.D. Gibson also touched upon the fact that staff needs to start gearing up and preparing a list of reauthorization issues that will be a priority for the RTC. He would also like to take suggestions on project delivery improvements to the delegation, with lessons learned on the Southeast connector project.

Commissioner Berkbigler said she had toured the Lemmon Valley Drive area and found that it is truly scary how big the lake has become and the majority of the snowpack hasn't even melted yet. That area is definitely a priority that needs help from the government.

Commissioner Dahir said he had just returned from Washington DC and the National League of Cities is very much on-board with transportation matters in the area and so were members of the delegation.

Item 5.3 NDOT Director Report

NDOT Deputy Director Bill Hoffman thanked Lori Campbell for attending and speaking on the Wadsworth improvements.

He mentioned to Commissioners Delgado and Jardon that NDOT is still on-board and moving forward with the Business Improvement District contribution and that their legal representatives made sure they could legally enter into that ICA. Also, the North Valleys and Spaghetti Bowl projects are still on schedule. He specifically thanked Mr. Ray Lake and Ms. Rodriguez, local residents, for their support for Northern Nevada and for making the trip to Carson City every month.

He continued, saying that NDOT and the Airport Authority were able to find a way to keep the southbound fly-over ramp in place, adding that it took a lot of resourcefulness, thoughtfulness and engineering to make that happen and he thanked the NDOT staff who worked to make that happen.

Lastly, he said he had learned not to close any lanes on Steamboat Drive during the hours kids are going to school - it was a mess. He then offered to answer any questions.

Commissioner Dahir thanked Mr. Hoffman for coming to the table to work out a way to keep that ramp as many people were concerned about a drop in tourism for the region. He also asked for continued updates on I-80 to the Tri-Center because traffic keeps getting worse and worse.

Mr. Hoffman said that NDOT is working very closely with the RTC and other stakeholders in the area; they are in the process of a transportation study and have another feasibility study trying to look at alternate routes to the Tri-Center. An unsolicited proposal was submitted to NDOT but they are not ready to go that route just yet. The whole thing will most likely come down to funding because with the North Valleys project and the Spaghetti Bowl, added to the Tri-Center issues, it will require two to three billion dollars needed to finish the needs of Northern Nevada.

Commissioner Dahir asked if Storey County is involved at all.

Mr. Hoffman said they are and have had several meetings to come up with solutions.

Commissioner Hartung thanked Mr. Hoffman for NDOT's participation but would like commuter rail to still be a consideration for going out to the Tri-Center. He then asked NDOT and the RTC to give great consideration for the need of signalization at Egyptian and Sunset Springs at Pyramid Highway as it has already met the warrants, it is a turn-in for Alice Taylor Elementary and is where school buses and children are crossing over the highway. He would like to see an acceleration lane coming off the haul road southbound onto Pyramid Highway as has been requested in the past and; lastly, there is a need to widen the section of the highway north of Egyptian due to all of the development going on out that way.

Vice Chair Jardon asked again about North McCarran and Keystone improvements as it is getting more dangerous every day and there is more development is going in up there in the near future.

Mr. Hoffman said he will commit to looking in to the requests made today.

Commissioner Dahir said he receives a lot of complaints about the area Commissioner Hartung discussed earlier (near the school) and it gets even worse when activities such as Burning Man are taking place.

Commissioner Berkbigler departed the meeting at 10:42 a.m.

Item 6.1 thru 6.5 ENGINEERING

- 6.1 Acknowledge receipt of the Virginia Street Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Extension monthly progress report (*For Possible Action*)

Mr. Jeff Wilbrecht, RTC Project Manager, addressed the Board to give a presentation update on the status of the Virginia Street BRT Extension project. He stated that the utility relocation portion of the project is winding down and has gone very smoothly overall. There was one area that conflicted with AT&T where the storm drainage installation at Center St. and Vassar St. had to be postponed until early April. He added that by doing this advance utility relocation, the construction of the curb and gutter work will be sped up in the next phase of the project. The road is currently open to two-way traffic.

For the construction phase of the project the design plans are 100% completed and are being used in negotiations for the CMAR contractor. He then explained some of the details of the negotiations underway. He also said that he hopes to bring some of the modified BRT station design concepts to the April board meeting.

He went on to explain the purpose of the 150 total right-of-way discussions that have been completed or are underway. There are a few that require a full parcel for construction and many more that are only temporary construction easements to allow for modifications. The RTC negotiates with property owners until an agreement can be made and only uses condemnation proceedings as the very last resort.

Lastly, Mr. Wilbrecht updated the commissioners on the outreach that's been done over the past month or so, including events, council presentations, business support workshops, etc. He added that there will be a project office on-site once construction begins but at this point, the details are still being worked out. He then offered to answer any questions.

Vice Chair Jardon wants to make sure that during this continued process, everyone needs to be sensitive to the business owners and residents as this is their livelihoods that are at stake. She asked for more specifics on the start date for construction.

Mr. Wilbrecht said that optimistically, June 17th will be the start date.

Vice Chair Jardon asked for confirmation that the businesses and/or business owners will be notified before construction begins in front of their respective storefronts.

Mr. Wilbrecht confirmed and added that at the start of construction, the side streets will be completed first which will allow for more parking while Virginia Street itself is under construction. He added that work will start on one side of Virginia St within a specific section and when that is complete, construction will move to the other side of the street and it will go back and forth from there. This is to ensure that businesses are not impacted for too long on either side. (Presentation available by contacting dthompson@rtcwashoe.com)

On motion of Commissioner Hartung, seconded by Commissioner Delgado, which motion unanimously carried by those present, Vice Chair Jardon ordered that receipt of the report be acknowledged.

6.2 Acknowledge receipt of the Bus Stop Improvement and Connectivity Program (Bus Stop ICP) progress report (*For Possible Action*)

Mr. Brian Stewart, RTC Director of Engineering, addressed the Board to provide a presentation update on this project. The RTC has over 1,000 active bus stops and more than 60% of them do not currently have an ADA compliant pad, so improvements must be made effectively and in the most cost effective manner. There is \$1.6 million budgeted for the current fiscal year (FY 2019) and \$2 million budgeted for FY 2020, with another \$2 million anticipated for the FY 2021 budget. Shelters, benches and trash receptacles will be improved under a separate agreement at a later date.

Mr. Stewart concluded his presentation and offered to answer questions. (Presentation available by contacting dthompson@rtcwashoe.com)

Commissioner Hartung suggested that travel lane issues must also be looked into and provided examples of specific locations.

Commissioner Dahir asked for continued communication to the entities once a specific “plan of attack” is in place so that they can provide accurate information to their constituents. He added that there is potential legislation put in by the League of Cities that, if passed, may help with this project.

Commissioner Delgado asked how the improvements are prioritized.

Mr. Stewart said that in the first year, it will be determined by the fastest and easiest fixes, along with the higher ridership numbers. In the next budget cycle, the improvements will continue and then the more difficult and challenging sites will be upgraded in the final year.

Commissioner Delgado suggested that location also be considered as a factor for prioritization, such as stops in front of medical facilities or senior centers.

Vice Chair Jardon said that those stops near medical facilities or senior centers most likely also have higher ridership which is one of the determining factors.

On motion of Commissioner Delgado, seconded by Commissioner Dahir, which motion unanimously carried by those present, Vice Chair Jardon ordered that receipt of the progress report be acknowledged.

6.3 Approve a Resolution of Condemnation authorizing RTC’s legal counsel to commence condemnation proceedings to acquire a permanent easement and a temporary construction easement on APN 011-133-04 from 7-Eleven, Inc. (formerly the Southland Corporation), necessary to construct the California & Keystone Interchange Enhancements Project (*For Possible Action*)

Mr. Brian Stewart, RTC Director of Engineering, said that the RTC has moved forward with the design for the California & Keystone Interchange Enhancements Project and right-of-way is needed to construct the sidewalk and pedestrian ramp improvements.

Approval of this Resolution of Condemnation is needed to avoid any delay on the project, but the RTC will continue to work with the property owners with the hope an agreement will be made.

On motion of Commissioner Delgado, seconded by Commissioner Dahir, which motion unanimously carried by those present, Vice Chair Jardon ordered that Resolution of Condemnation authorizing RTC’s legal counsel to commence condemnation proceedings to acquire a permanent easement and a temporary construction easement on APN 011-133-04 from 7-Eleven, Inc.

(formerly the Southland Corporation), necessary to construct the California & Keystone Interchange Enhancements Project be approved.

6.4 ***Pulled from the agenda per Item 1.***

6.5 Approve a Resolution of Condemnation authorizing RTC's legal counsel to commence condemnation proceedings to acquire the full fee acquisition of the parcel known as APN 014-063-08 from Romero et al, necessary to construct the Virginia Street Bus Rapid Transit Extension Project (*For Possible Action*)

Mr. Brian Stewart, RTC Director of Engineering, said that the right-of-way is needed for a full acquisition of this parcel to support construction of the round-about at Virginia St. and Mary.

Approval of this Resolution of Condemnation is needed to avoid delay on the project, but the RTC will continue to work with the property owners with the hope an agreement will be made.

On motion of Commissioner Delgado, seconded by Commissioner Dahir, which motion unanimously carried by those present, Vice Chair Jardon ordered that Resolution of Condemnation authorizing RTC's legal counsel to commence condemnation proceedings to acquire the full fee acquisition of the parcel known as APN 014-063-08 from Romero et al, necessary to construct the Virginia Street Bus Rapid Transit Extension Project be approved.

Item 7 LEGAL MATTERS

Report, discussion and possible action and/or direction to legal counsel and staff following receipt of information on legal issues. The RTC may, consistent with Chapter 241 of NRS, decide to interrupt the public meeting at any time to conduct a closed session to confer with legal counsel and possibly deliberate on legal issues. Any action on pending legal matters will be made when the public meeting is reconvened.

Legal Counsel Dale Ferguson said he had no items for discussion.

Item 8 PUBLIC INPUT

Vice 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. Bill Hoffman, NDOT Deputy Director, thanked Scot Miklos, RTC Trip Reduction Analyst, for meeting with NDOT staff to begin the process of starting a ride share program with his agency.

Mr. Michael Ake, Sr. Vice President for Operations of Keolis Transit America, wished to thank the Board for their approval of the contract presented earlier. His company looks forward to working with the RTC and helping to improve the transit system.

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

At the request of Commissioner Hartung, a motion was made by Commissioner Dahir to reopen Item 9 which had previously been moved up to follow Item 1. The motion was seconded by Vice Chair Jardon and upon a vote, passed unanimously by those present.

Item 9 MEMBER ITEMS

Commissioner Hartung said he had seen a ride share van being used for personal use very late at night.

E.D. Gibson said that an item will be brought to the next meeting to go over the terms and conditions of the ride share program.

Commissioner Dahir extended an invitation to the NV Veterans Memorial Groundbreaking, March 29th at 10:00 a.m. on the west side of the marina.

Item 10 ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Commissioner Dahir, seconded by Commissioner Delgado, which motion carried unanimously, Vice Chair Jardon ordered that the meeting be adjourned.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

NEOMA JARDON, Vice Chair
Regional Transportation Commission