



**REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MEETING AGENDA**

**Wednesday, August 7, 2019 at 9:00 am
Regional Transportation Commission
1st Floor Conference Room
1105 Terminal Way, Reno NV 89502**

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II. The Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) has a standing item for accepting public comment on topics relevant to the RTC TAC that are not included on the agenda. No action may be taken on a matter raised under this item of the agenda until the matter itself has been specifically included on an agenda as an item upon which action will be taken. For specific items on the TAC agenda, public comment will be taken at the time the item is discussed. Individuals providing public comment will be limited to three minutes. Individuals acting as a spokesperson for a group may request additional time. Attempts to present public input in a disruptive manner will not be allowed. Remarks will be addressed to the TAC as a whole and not to individual members.

III. The TAC may combine two or more agenda items for consideration and/or may remove an item from the agenda or delay discussion relating to an item on the agenda at any time.

ITEM 1 Approval of Agenda (*For Possible Action*)

ITEM 2 Public Comment - *please read paragraph II near the top of this page*

ITEM 3 Approval of the July 10, 2019 Meeting Minutes (*For Possible Action*)

ITEM 4 Acknowledge Receipt of a Presentation on the University Area Multimodal Transportation Study (*For Possible Action*)

ITEM 5 Acknowledge Receipt of a Report on the RTC Project Prioritization Framework (*For Possible Action*)

ITEM 6 Development Updates (*Informational Only*)

ITEM 7 Member Items

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| a) City of Reno | b) Reno-Tahoe Airport Authority |
| c) City of Sparks | d) FHWA |
| e) Washoe County | f) Air Quality Management Div. (AQMD) |
| g) NDOT | h) TMRPA |
| i) WCSD | j) Reno-Sparks Indian Colony (RSIC) |

ITEM 8 Agenda Items for Future TAC Meetings (*For Possible Action*)

ITEM 9 RTC Staff Items (*Informational Only*)

ITEM 10 Public Comment - *please read paragraph II near the top of this page*

ITEM 11 Adjournment (*For Possible Action*)

The Committee **may** take action on any item noted for possible action

**REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
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Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, July 10, 2019

Attendees

Daniel Inouye	Washoe County Health District-Air Quality Management Division
Mitchell Fink	Washoe County Community Services
Chair, Kelly Mullin	Washoe County Community Services
Kurt Dietrich	City of Reno, Public Works
Arlo Stockham	City of Reno Community Development
Chris Tolley	Truckee Meadows Regional Planning Agency
Scott Carey	Reno-Sparks Indian Colony
Vice-Chair, Amber Sosa	City of Sparks, Engineering Services
Armando Ornelas	City of Sparks, Community Development
Graham Dollarhide,	Nevada Department of Transportation
Mike Boster	Washoe County School District
Tara Smaltz	Nevada Department of Transportation
Gary Probert	Reno-Tahoe Airport Authority

RTC Staff

Amy Cummings
Mark Maloney
Rebecca Kapuler
Ed Park
Deborah Hollis

Dan Doenges
Michael Dulude
Scott Miklos
Stephanie Haddock
Gina Hammond

Guests

Julee Olander, WC

The Committee met in the First Floor Conference Room, 1105 Terminal Way, Reno, Nevada. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by the Chair, Kelly Mullin.

ITEM 1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved as submitted.

ITEM 2. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments.

ITEM 3. APPROVAL OF THE JUNE 5, 2019 MEETING MINUTES

The minutes of the TAC meeting June 5, 2019, meeting minutes were approved as corrected.

ITEM 4. ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020

The Policies Governing the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) state that the Chair shall be elected from the three local governments on a rotating basis. The term of office for Chair and Vice Chair shall be one year, effective after elections occur. The Vice Chair Amber Sosa, City of Sparks shall become the Chair and the representative from the City of Reno Arlo Stockham, as the Vice Chair.

Armando Ornelas made a motion to elect the Chair and Vice Chair for fiscal year 2020.

Scott Carey seconded.

The motion carried unanimously.

ITEM 5. RECOMMEND PRIORITIZATION AND APPROVAL OF THE FFY 2019 TA SET-ASIDE PROGRAM PROJECTS

Rebecca Kapuler, RTC Planner briefed the committee on the RTC Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2019 Transportation Alternatives (TA) Set-Aside Program Projects. The TAC representatives from the City of Reno, City of Sparks and Washoe County gave a description of the TA Set-Aside Program Projects. Ed Park briefed the committee on a proposed program to have plaquards placed at every bus stop to help identify them for those whom are vision impaired. A discussion followed.

Vice Chair, Arlo Stockham made a motion to recommend, FFY 2019 TA Set-Aside Program that available funds be split four ways, at \$34,000 each, amongst each of the project applicants.

Kelly Mullin seconded.

The motion carried unanimously.

ITEM 6. ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF REPORT ON THE RTC AFFORDABLE HOUSING STUDY

Amy Cummings, RTC Deputy Executive Director/Planning Director briefed the committee on the RTC Affordable Housing Study. A copy of the PowerPoint presentation is on file at the RTC

Metropolitan Planning Department. A discussion continued on the development sites which, will be presented to the RTC Board at their July meeting.

Daniel Inouye made a motion to acknowledge receipt of report on the RTC Affordable Housing Study.

Chris Tolley seconded.

The motion carried unanimously.

ITEM 7. ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF REPORT AND PROVIDE A RECOMMENDATION FOR FALL 2019 RTC RIDE SERVICE ADJUSTMENT REPORT, SCHEDULED FOR NOVEMBER 2, 2019, INCLUDING CHANGES TO ROUTE 9, THE SIERRA SPIRIT/CREATION OF ROUTE 999, AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THE RTC FLEXRIDE MICROTRANSIT SIX MONTH DEMONSTRATION PROJECT

Michael Dulude, RTC Transit Planner/Scheduler gave a presentation on the reports and service adjustments report, including changes to route 9, the Sierra Spirit/Creation of Route 999, and implementation of the RTC Flexride Microtransit six month demonstration project. A copy of the PowerPoint presentation is on file at the RTC Metropolitan Planning Department. A discussion continued on the service changes and adjustments.

Armando Ornelas stated that City of Sparks has implemented certain zoning requirements along fixed transit routes and that the proposed microtransit would be non-conforming.

Mark Maloney, RTC Director of Public Transportation and Operations stated that the proposed microtransit service is a 6-month demonstration project and that this type of service was not considered during the development of the City's land use plan. The proposed service would meet demand from a larger area than the current fixed route covers.

Amy Cummings, RTC Deputy Executive Director/Director of Planning stated that higher densities and mixed-use development have significant benefits for the community and that the current Regional Plan update is focusing more on livability and moving away from the TOD corridor concept.

Kelly Mullin asked if the RTC would follow up with the City of Sparks to provide updates on the microtransit pilot once service is underway and Mark Maloney, RTC Director of Public Transportation and Operations responded that they would.

Vice Chair, Arlo Stockham asked if RTC staff has met with City of Reno staff to discuss the proposed service changes. He requested that the RTC increase communication with City staff.

Chris Tolley asked how the microtransit catchment area was determined, and if the outcome of the service would be brought back to the TAC.

Michael Dulude, RTC Transit Planner/Scheduler said that RTC would bring back findings of the service and also stated that they looked at current fixed routes that were not performing well and modeled three different areas with the assistance of a vendor called TransLoc. Based on the model results, the proposed service area in Sparks was the most viable for a successful pilot.

Graham Dollarhide asked how the proposed service would impact paratransit and Mark Maloney, RTC Director of Public Transportation and Operations responded that it actually expands the existing paratransit service area and offers a much shorter scheduling period. He stated that the microtransit vehicles will be the same as the existing paratransit vehicles and that the drivers are the same as those that currently operate paratransit service.

In response to a statement regarding outreach, Mark Maloney, RTC Director of Public Transportation and Operations indicated that the upcoming July RTC Board meeting would be the third time this item will be before the Board. He stated that there were multiple public meetings and surveys administered and that this item was also before the RTC advisory committees in March.

A total of three separate motions were made for this agenda item. The first motion was made by Vice Chair, Arlo Stockham to acknowledge receipt of the report with a request that there would be advanced coordination with local governing agencies to provide final input on similar proposed RTC transit service changes in the future. The motion was seconded by Kelly Mullin. The motion passed unanimously.

The second motion was also made by Vice Chair, Arlo Stockham to recommend the proposed service changes to RTC Route 9 and the Sierra Spirit/creation of Route 999 with a request that RTC staff would meet with City of Reno staff prior to presenting this item to the RTC Board at their July meeting. The motion was seconded by Armando Ornelas and passed unanimously.

Chair, Amber Sosa made the final motion that there would not be a recommendation on the proposed changes to RTC RIDE Routes 25 and 26 and the RTC FLEXRIDE microtransit service. She followed up her motion stating that she had a concern that once a route is taken away that it would never be reestablished. Kelly Mullin made a suggestion to amend the motion to state that the TAC comments be provided to the Board when the minutes are finalized. Armando Ornelas made the amended motion and Vice Chair, Arlo Stockham seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

ITEM 8. RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF THE VISION ZERO TRUCKEE MEADOWS ACTION PLAN AND SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION TO BECOME A NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED VISION ZERO COMMUNITY

Rebecca Kapuler, RTC Planner gave a presentation on the Vision Zero Truckee Meadows Action Plan and submission of an application to become a nationally recognized Vision Zero Community. A copy of the PowerPoint presentation is on file at the RTC Metropolitan Planning Department. There was no discussion.

Vice Chair Arlo Stockham made a motion to recommend approval of the Vision Zero Truckee Meadows Action Plan and submission of an application to become a nationally recognized Vision Zero Community.

Armando Ornelas seconded.

The motion carried unanimously.

ITEM 9. DEVELOPMENT UPDATES

Armando Ornelas, Vice Chair, Arlo Stockham and Kelly Mullin gave updates for the City of Sparks, City of Reno and Washoe County developments that are underway.

ITEM 10. MEMBER ITEMS

Kurt Dietrich and Arlo Stockham gave an update for the City of Reno construction projects.

Gary Probert, RTAA gave an update for the RTAA runway project which is underway.

Chair, Amber Sosa, City of Sparks gave an update for the City of Sparks construction projects.

Mitchell Fink, WC gave an update for Washoe County construction projects underway.

Daniel Inouye, WCHD-AQ commented on the displaced UNR students needing transportation as a result of the UNR dorm explosion.

Chris Tolley, TMRPA gave an update on the continued TMRPA plan updates.

Mike Boster, WCSD gave an update for WCSD's new elementary schools currently under construction.

Scott Carey, RSIC introduced an intern for RSIC and gave an update on a letter of support for the BUILD grant.

ITEM 11. AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE TAC MEETINGS

There were no items given.

ITEM 12. RTC STAFF ITEMS

Scott Miklos, RTC Trip Reduction Specialist gave an update on Smart Trips App.

ITEM 13. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no comments given.

ITEM 14. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 11:03 a.m.

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AGENDA ITEM 4

TO: Technical Advisory Committee

FROM: Xuan Wang
Senior Technical Planner

SUBJECT: University Area Multimodal Transportation Study

RECOMMENDATION

Acknowledge receipt of a presentation on the University Area Multimodal Transportation Study

SUMMARY

Staff will provide the Committee with overview and status on the University Area Multimodal Transportation Study.

The University Area Multimodal Transportation Study started after the approval of the Professional Services Agreement with Kimley-Horn on March 19. This study will take into account the current and future development plans slated to occur on or near the university campus in the coming years and will identify needed connectivity, safety, and access improvements for vehicle and alternative transportation modes on regional roads. In addition, it will include an analysis of land use and roadway network scenarios in the University of Nevada, Reno (UNR) Gateway District.

The project team met with staff from the University of Nevada, Reno and City of Reno to discuss project details. The project technical advisory committee had a kick-off meeting on April 24th. The project team conducted Walking Audits in the study area to evaluate pedestrian walking environment and connectivity on May 2 and 3, 2019. A pop-up meeting was held in front of the Joe Crowley Student Union building to engage students and faculty to provide their comments and concerns on May 2, 2019. A community meeting was conducted on June 27, 2019 at Evelyn Mount Community Center from 5:30 to 7:00 pm. With the public meeting, an on-line survey was launched to collect public input. The survey was open for public input from June 27 – July 23, 2019.



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AGENDA ITEM 5

TO: Technical Advisory Committee

FROM: Amy Cummings, AICP, LEED AP
Director of Planning/Deputy Executive Director

SUBJECT: Project Prioritization Framework

RECOMMENDATION

Acknowledge receipt of a report on the RTC project prioritization framework.

SUMMARY

Staff will provide an overview on efforts to develop a project prioritization framework for major projects identified in the RTP to be implemented within the next 10-year timeframe. The preliminary analysis evaluates potential projects from the perspectives of safety, congestion, pavement condition, and the criteria identified in the RTC Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan for ranking bicycle and pedestrian improvements. Other project-specific criteria are being considered for the weighting of project scores.