

**REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
CITIZENS MULTIMODAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Meeting Minutes**

Wednesday, February 5, 2020

CMAC Members Present

Scot A. Munns	Laura Azzam
Vince Harris	Mark Tadder
Paul Malikowski	Harvey Katz
Vice-Chair, Jeff Bonano	Dora Uchel
Sigurd Jaunarajs	Jillian Keller
Rudy Leon	Suraj Verma

CMAC Members Absent

Chair, Molly O'Brien	Chun Chao (Alan)
Majima Mayuko	

RTC Staff

Dan Doenges	Jim Gee
Michael Dulude	
Andrew Yarankura	

CMAC Guest

Lorraine Cobb, public CMAC guest	Esmeralda Chavez, public CMAC guest
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The Citizens Multimodal Advisory Committee (CMAC) met in the RTC 1st Floor Conference Room, 1105 Terminal Way, Reno, Nevada. The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by the Vice-Chair, Jeff Bonano.

ITEM 1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved as submitted.

ITEM 2. PUBLIC COMMENT

Laura Azzam gave comments on painting the Amtrak Rail Station and she mentioned the lights are broken and crooked. Jillian Keller had questions on the South-East Connector (SEC) speed limit changes and crash data which, Dan Doenges, RTC Planning Manager/Interim Director of Planning stated he will contact the appropriate staff for information requests or she can contact the City of Reno to determine when this item will be addressed at Reno City Council.

ITEM 3. APPROVAL OF THE NOVEMBER 6, 2019 MEETING MINUTES

The minutes of the CMAC meeting November 6, 2019 were approved as submitted.

ITEM 4. ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF A REPORT ON THE PROPOSED RTC RIDE SERVICE CHANGE AND PROVIDE FEEDBACK

Jim Gee, RTC Service Planning and Innovation Manager, briefed the committee on the proposed RTC RIDE service changes. He discussed the Sparks FlexRIDE service and the second FlexRIDE pilot project in the North Valleys service area which, will include these major areas: Lemmon Drive from Buck to Deodar, Military Road, the Raleigh Heights area and the community just north of Parr Boulevard. He stated the riders will use the FlexRIDE service by calling or using an app service.

Harvey Katz asked if there is a limit to the trip length in those three areas and he asked about the trip sharing system. Jim Gee, stated the FlexRIDE is a ridesharing public system and ride matching software. Jim Gee stated that there will be a connection to the RIDE fixed route system at the Bonanza Casino bus stop for the North Valleys service area.

Rudy Leon asked how the service areas are chosen for the FlexRIDE services. Jim Gee, stated through the geography major areas for the pilot program which, RTC's flexibility is to expand with the service ridership. Michael Dulude, RTC Transit Planner / Scheduler, also stated the current selection process included reviewing inefficient RIDE services to replace with FlexRIDE service, he stated RTC RIDE Route 17 fell into this category.

Lorraine Cobb, RTC CMAC guest, asked about where the hub for the FlexRIDE service is. Jim Gee, stated it is located at the RTC ACCESS garage. Michael Dulude, stated it is also an Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) service.

Mark Tadder asked about the drop-off spot at the Bonanza Casino with it being a smoking area and if there is a shelter, he asked about the transit services at the Bonanza area. Michael Dulude, stated the bus stop is currently at the Bonanza Casino and there is a shelter at the bus stop for the riders, he explained, the riders are responsible for entering the Casino. He also stated the service changes are at the Bonanza Casino transfer point where individuals would have to wait for the transfer from

FlexRIDE to RIDE. Jim Gee, stated it's a swap out—financially and in covering the service it is adding to the area. Jim Gee, continued to brief the committee on RTC RIDE Route 25L from Prater to Howard, Lincoln and McCarran and the change on Route 9 to run in a clockwise direction to more safely serve Reed High School. He also discussed the proposed changes to RTC RIDE Route 9, November 2, 2019, service changes of 2nd and Mill Street, Renown Hospital area and the Virginia Line RAPID with restoration of the every 10-minutes.

Rudy Leon asked about the Midtown service. Jim Gee, stated the UNR Midtown service is temporarily while the Virginia Line RAPID is currently under construction. A discussion continued with staff and the committee about the UNR campus transit service continuation and increasing the ridership there. Mark Tadder gave a comment on the Virginia Line RAPID for the UNR students, as a fantastic service.

Jim Gee, continued to brief the committee on his presentation on the service changes to RTC RIDE Route 13 at Harvard Way which, is similar to RTC RIDE Route 25. He stated with the students jaywalking to the Wooster High School, a walking audit was done and as a result the bus will now drop-off at the same side as the Wooster High School. He continued to give his presentation on the service changes.

Harvey Katz asked about the ridership and costs comparisons for the transit service and the FlexRide program rides. Jim Gee, explained the ridership/costs is being monitored on a daily basis and the FlexRIDE service item was next on the agenda.

Paul Malikowski asked about the new FlexRIDE service and the southwest quadrant in the McCarran loop area which, is not being served. Jim Gee, stated the FlexRIDE service could include the southwest area and Summit Mall area, and other low density areas for a future transit service area in the communities if funding were to become available. Michael Dulude, stated he attended the RTC Board transit workshop and a discussion occurred regarding funding for the proposed fixed route service changes and new FlexRIDE services .

Rudy Leon asked about public schools and RTC's planning relationship with parents and the transit system. Michael Dulude, stated very few students use the public transit services and transit is not typically a part of the discussion between developers and the public schools.

Harvey Katz asked about the transit service at the College Redfield Campus at Wedge and Mount Rose Highway. Michael Dulude, stated RTC is aware of the need in these areas and there is no additional funding currently.

Dora Uchel asked about the CENTENNIAL PLAZA and the ADA compliance bus stop signs as well as route bus poles and being available in braille. She stated the FlexRIDE app is not ADA Accessible. Dan Doenges, stated grant funding has been awarded for identification on the bus stop poles. Dora Uchel also stated the Bonanza inbound RTC RIDE Route7 has no shelter. Lorraine

Cobb, public CMAC guest, also agreed there is a need for a shelter and lights at the Bonanza location.

Rudy Leon made a motion to acknowledge receipt of a report on the proposed RTC RIDE service change and the provided feedback.

Dora Uchel seconded.

The motion carried unanimously.

ITEM 5. ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF A REPORT ON AN UPDATE OF THE SPARKS FLEXRIDE SERVICE

Jim Gee, briefed the committee on the Sparks FlexRIDE service updates which, RTC implemented on November 2, 2019, during the RTC RIDE service changes. He stated since the service has started additions/connections have been added at the Sparks Senior Center and at senior apartments in that area. He mentioned the top destinations are at the connections at CP, Iron Horse Shopping Center, and at new surface areas and housing developments. A discussion continued on the microtransit service and the fare costs to use and costs to operate the service.

Jeff Bonano, Vice Chair, asked about Uber and Lyft driver impacts. Jim Gee, stated there is transportation demand for all providers. Michael Dulude, stated Uber and Lyft also have many different types of clientele.

Dora Uchel asked about the service assistance for getting on and off of the FlexRIDE bus. Jim Gee, stated there will be no assistance with groceries only curb to curb drop-off for the FlexRIDE service. He stated the FlexRIDE service will have a call center and an app for the riders to use. A discussion continued on the ADA Accessible apps.

Lorraine Cobbs, public CMAC guest, gave a public comment on whether there will be a West 4th Street extension to the FlexRIDE service. Jim Gee, stated it is on the list for the programs.

Jillian Keller made a motion to acknowledge receipt of a report on an update of the Sparks FlexRIDE service.

Dora Uchel seconded.

The motion carried unanimously.

ITEM 6. ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF A REPORT ON PEDESTRIAN SAFETY ZONES AND SIGNALIZED PEDESTRIAN CROSSINGS

Dan Doenges, and Andrew Jayankura, RTC Engineer II, briefed the committee on the Pedestrian Safety Zones and signalized pedestrian crossings and roadway intersections, including how pedestrian crossing signals are phased with vehicle signals. Andrew Jayankura, discussed that the signal timing standards are based on the “Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices for Streets and Highways” (MUTCD) and the Cities of Reno and Sparks and Washoe County follow these standards. They also briefed the committee on the Pedestrian Safety Zones with the Senate Bill 144 which, authorized certain governing bodies and the NDOT to designate Pedestrian Safety Zones. A discussion continued:

Rudy Leon asked about traffic lights and no flashing signals at pedestrian crossings. A discussion continued on pedestrians and traffic interactions at crosswalks.

Jillian Keller asked about employing the pedestrian strategies for the pedestrian crossings. Andrew Jayankura explained the two strategies, the safety of pedestrian crossings at signalized intersections. Strategies include leading the pedestrian crossing in advance of the vehicle green, and disabling the flashing yellow arrow to vehicles when a pedestrian button is pressed (Sparks only). Dan Doenges, continued to brief the committee on the Pedestrian Safety Zones and Senate Bill 144 and the policy currently under review by NDOT for implementing zones in Northern Nevada.

Mark Tadder mentioned the schools and parents at the drop-off zones are difficult. Dan Doenges, stated the Safe Routes to School (SRTS) programs are in place to help improve those situations and to address the different schools. Rudy Leon stated that she didn't think schools had funding to hire crossing guards. Dan Doenges, stated that the crossing guard availability varied by school. A discussion continued on the volunteers and legislation for the schools crosswalk zones. He also stated the school district facilities and staff is needed for walk zones and volunteers which, would be great. A discussion continued on the school walk zones and volunteers.

Jillian Keller asked about the governing bodies in the areas for pedestrian issues. Dan Doenges stated the local governments are working with NDOT to address pedestrian safety.

Jillian Keller made a motion to acknowledge receipt of a report on Pedestrian Safety Zones and signalized pedestrian crossings.

Dora Uchel seconded.

The motion carried unanimously.

ITEM 7. ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF A REPORT ON AN UPDATE OF THE 2050 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN (RTP) DEVELOPMENT

Dan Doenges, briefed the committee on the 2050 RTP development on existing conditions, outreach schedule and visioning feedback. He stated that the RTC is meeting with the local jurisdictions on a regular basis, and that the RTC would be presenting to the Washoe County Commission and the Sparks City Council. He stated there will be continuing input from the TAC and CMAC, as well as input from an Inter-County Working Group consisting of Carson City, City of Fernley, Storey County and others. There will also be meetings with businesses in the Sparks Industrial Area for additional ideas on visioning.

Dora Uchel stated she was leaving the meeting early and left at 6:50pm.

Rudy Leon had a question on who can attend the 2050 RTP meetings. Dan, stated yes the public meetings are all on news and social media outlets.

Dan Doenges, continued to brief the committee on what will be discussed at the RTP public meetings. The first 2050 RTP public meeting is at the Discovery Museum on Thursday, February 27, 2020, from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. and other 2050 RTP meetings will be forthcoming. In addition, additional workshops will focus on safety, transit, and economic development as well as workshops for downtown Reno and the North Valleys areas. Travel demand for traffic volumes will also be a topic along with performance management metrics. He discussed the travel time data on the National Highway System (NHS). A brief discussion continued on the maps of the pavement condition of the regional roads. He briefed the committee on data collected for the level of service (LOS) and Annual Average Daily Traffic (AADT) for Regional Roads and identified some specific areas experiencing traffic congestion. He gave overall summary of what will be provided at these public meetings. He stated 2050 RTP updates will continue to be provided to the CMAC.

Rudy Leon mentioned she gathered info on RTP comments which, she will send them to Dan.

Rudy Leon made a motion to acknowledge receipt of a report on an update of the 2050 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) Development.

Suraj Verma seconded.

The motion carried unanimously.

ITEM 8. REPORTS

There was no discussion on the reports.

ITEM 9. MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS/AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE CMAC MEETINGS

Rudy Leon announced a meeting of the Minds Summit and topics about roads and transportation and a book of “Strong Towns” for Smart Growth organizations.

Vince Harris requested an agenda item of transit on-time performance and how it is calculated.

ITEM 10. RTC/RIDE/ACCESS STAFF ITEMS

There were no staff items given.

ITEM 11. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments given.

ITEM 12. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:11 p.m.

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Meeting Minutes

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Jeff Bonano, Vice Chair
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Suraj Verma

CMAC Members Absent

Sigurd Jaunarajs
Molly O'Brien, Chair
Jillian Keller

Laura Azzam
Dora Uchel

RTC Staff

Rebecca Kapuler
David Carr
Jacqueline Maldonado

Maria Paz-Fernandez
Jim Gee

Guests

Michael Moreno, Chair of the Washoe County Community Complete 2020 Census

The Committee met in the First Floor Conference Room, 1105 Terminal Way, Reno, Nevada. The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by the Vice Chair, Jeff Bonano.

ITEM 1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved as submitted with agenda Item 3. removed from the agenda.

ITEM 2. PUBLIC COMMENT

Michael Moreno, Chair of the Washoe County community complete 2020 Census gave comments and information on the Census Bureau for 2020. He announced the census is being conducted on March 12th through April 30th. He informed there are three ways to complete the census by mail, phone and online. He gave the 2020 Census contact information line 1-844-330-2020/Spanish

information line 1-844-468-2020 and the websites: www.2020census.gov and www.census.nv.gov for more information on the census.

Agenda Item 3. on the agenda was removed from the agenda.

ITEM 3. APPROVAL OF THE FEBRUARY 5, 2020 MEETING MINUTES (Agenda Item 3. was removed from the agenda).

The minutes of the CMAC meeting February 5, 2020 meeting minutes were removed from the agenda.

ITEM 4. ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF A REPORT ON THE ODDIE BOULEVARD/WELLS AVENUE MULTI-MODAL IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT (60% DESIGN SUBMISSION)

Maria Paz Fernandez, RTC Engineering, Project Manager gave a PowerPoint presentation for the Oddie Boulevard/Wells Avenue Multi-Modal Improvements Project (60% Design Submission). A copy of the PowerPoint presentation is on file at the RTC Metropolitan Planning Department. She briefed the committee on the design process and the plans for lighting, landscaping, aesthetic features and Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) improvements. She discussed the Multi-use path at I-80 and 9th and the bicycle facilities with the raised medium cycle track at Sutro to Sparks. She stated the project started in 2013 and the final design is next year and construction will start in 2021. Maria Paz Fernandez, announced to visit the project website at: www.OddieWellsProject.com and to contact her with questions on the project.

Harvey Katz had questions on the tree landscaping improvements method for not destroying the paths and the sidewalks. Maria Paz Fernandez, indicated the paths were researched with the Urban Forestry here in Reno and there is enough space in the design width which, is ten feet wide.

Rudy Leon had bicyclist and pedestrian safety concerns on the two mixed-use path alternatives .

Maria Paz Fernandez indicated the alternatives of the cycle track and sidewalks are adhering to FHWA guidelines for safety. David Carr and Maria Paz Fernandez, detailed that they are similar to the UNR mixed use path for pedestrians and bicyclists and **they will have a raised center median on the road.** The multi-use **path will be similar to the existing one on Evans Ave.**

Mark Tadder asked about which side of the road the multi-use path would be located as part of the project improvements and how it will accommodate the transit routes and the ADA compliance in that area.

Maria Paz Fernandez detailed at the west side of the road from Wells at I-80 to Sutro. She informed that bus stops are not included in the project because route changes have not been decided yet and there is currently no existing route. She also informed that the RTC bus stops would be ADA compliant if there are transit changes to that corridor.

Scott Munns asked about the I-80 to 6th Street inclusions in the project. Maria Paz Fernandez, stated that area is being discussed with development of the 2050 RTP.

Vince Harris asked who the consultant is for the project and if RTC administers their own construction contracts. Maria Paz Fernandez stated Stantec is the consultant for the Oddie Blvd/Wells Avenue Multi-modal improvements project and different consultants are anticipated to bid for the construction contracts.

Mark Tadder asked about mid block pedestrian crosswalks for this project and if the signals will be audible. Maria Paz Fernandez, informed the crosswalks will be at the intersections and the signals will be audible for this project.

David Carr, RTC Fleet and Operations Manager asked about bus stop space availability along with landscaping. Maria Paz Fernandez, stated there are enough spaces for areas with no trees or smaller trees separated far enough apart for bus stop opportunities.

Jim Gee, RTC Service Planning and Innovation Manager, confirmed the transit bus service on Oddie Boulevard is being considered and transit service is being discussed during the construction phases.

Mark Tadder made a motion to acknowledge receipt of a report on the Oddie Boulevard/Wells Avenue Multi-Modal Improvements Project (60% Design Submission).

Scot Munns seconded.

The motion carried unanimously.

ITEM 5. ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF A REPORT ON AN UPDATE OF THE 2050 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN (RTP)

Rebecca Kapuler, RTC Senior Technical Planner gave updates to the committee on the 2050 RTP. She informed that the 2050 RTP survey is open through April 30th for additional input to identify goals and guiding principles for the 2050 RTP. She briefed the committee on the recent public meetings for the 2050 RTP and that a discussion on safety and bicycle connectivity at I-80 and the Truckee River area came out of the meeting held for the Sparks Industrial Area. The public meeting at the Discovery Museum received comments from the bicycle community regarding safety. She encouraged the committee to take the 2050 RTP survey and share the survey with others. She informed of an upcoming youth 2050 RTP meeting with the Washoe County School District Leadership Council. Rebecca Kapuler let the CMAC know RTC will continue to update the committee on upcoming meetings for the 2050 RTP.

Rudy Leon asked where the survey is located. Rebecca Kapuler gave information on the survey and the locations at www.rtp2050metroquest.com, the Hot Topics page on the RTC website: www.rtcwashoe.com, RTC Washoe social media sites and also the 2050 RTP cards with the QR

code to link into the survey. She informed the survey results will be provided to the committee and she shared that 59 comments were given at the February 2050 RTP public meeting.

Rudy Leon, made a motion to acknowledge receipt of a report on an update of the 2050 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP).

Vince Harris, seconded.

The motion carried unanimously.

ITEM 6. REPORTS

There was no discussion on the reports.

ITEM 7. MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS/AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE CMAC MEETINGS

Mark Tadder requested information on bus stop poles project completion. Rebecca referred him to Tina Wu, RTC Senior Transit Planner or an agenda item could be added to the next CMAC meeting. A discussion continued on the NDOT contract and the process of the funding for the bus stops project which, was approved in July 2019.

Rudy Leon gave information on the Meeting of the Minds Smart Group conference and shared that she learned that the city here and county are ahead on the Microtransit demand bus system in comparison to other areas of the country. Jim Gee also stated RTC is ahead of communities our size due to our BRT routes and their frequent service. She also requested an agenda item on new stops and accessibility being built into the process. David Carr briefed the committee on refurbishing existing bus stops and making them ADA compliant.

Scot Munns asked about a checklist on ADA compliant and bike routes reports to review on the website. Rebecca Kapuler stated the ADA Transition Plan is on the RTC website and the Plan identifies building assets and transit stops that are ADA non-compliant. RTC staff meets regularly for continued updates to the Plan.

Rudy Leon requested an update for the RTC budget. Rebecca Kapuler informed the RTC budget item is in May.

Vince Harris commended RTC staff for clarification on the calculation of the on time performance on the transit item given last month.

ITEM 8. RTC/RIDE/ACCESS STAFF ITEMS

Jim Gee gave an update to the transit service route changes effective on May 2nd.

Rebecca Kapuler gave updates to the committee on a Virginia Street Project event on Friday, March 6, 2020, updates on the project will be given to the community and construction members, she mentioned to go to the Hot Topics page on the (www.rtcwashoe.com) webpage for more information on the project. She gave information on the two Eagle Canyon Study public meetings, one on Tuesday, March 10, 2020, from 5:00 p.m.to 7:00 p.m. with a presentation at 5:30 p.m. at Lemmon Valley Elementary School and on Thursday, March 12, 2020, also from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. with a presentation at 5:30 p.m. at Spanish Springs High School. She announced the St. Patrick's Day, RTC FREE RIDE transit service from 4:00 p.m. to 2:00 a.m.

Rebecca Kapuler gave updates on RTC minimizing the spread on the Coronavirus and stated RTC is working closely with the Washoe County Health Department and the transit contractors Keolis and Ride Right. RTC is reviewing the health and safety protocols and the transit buses are being sanitized daily for precautions. Bus drivers and passengers are urged to stay home if feeling sick. Information Fliers and hand sanitizer stations are being installed at all transit stations for precautions and for more information go to the CDC website: www.cdc.gov for updates to the Coronavirus.

ITEM 9. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no comments given.

ITEM 10. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:18 p.m.