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**AGENDA ITEM 3.3**

**TO:** Regional Transportation Commission

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**SUBJECT: Virginia Street Bus RAPID Transit Extension Monthly Progress Update -  
Plumb to Liberty & Maple to 15th**

**RECOMMENDATION**

Acknowledge receipt of the Virginia Street Bus RAPID Transit (BRT) Extension monthly progress report.

**SUMMARY**

South Virginia (Midtown) Roadway Reconstruction and BRT Project:

South Virginia Street has been open to two-way traffic for about a month. The contractor is finishing work associated with planting of trees and landscape features, and installation of apprentices along the corridor within this segment.

North Virginia (UNR) Roadway Reconstruction and BRT Project

Roadway reconstruction and BRT work along North Virginia Street continued during the month of July. Construction efforts included resurfacing the roadway between 10<sup>th</sup> Street and 15<sup>th</sup> Street. Work also progressed on roadway widening between 8<sup>th</sup> Street and 9<sup>th</sup> Street, specifically on curb, gutter, sidewalk, and BRT improvements along the west side of the road.

The bridge over I-80 was also resurfaced with new asphalt. Several of the bus rapid transit stations within this segment of the corridor progressed as well.

Outreach Activities:

During the month of August, the outreach effort focused on the reopening of the roadway in Midtown to two-way traffic through a community video produced by RTC with various project stakeholders speaking about the project improvements and welcoming the community back into Midtown. Interviews with various media outlets also occurred regarding the update. Lastly, outreach occurred regarding the start of the fall semester for the University of Nevada, Reno.

Project information continues to be communicated weekly through the Project Stakeholder Update that is electronically distributed to subscribers.

UNR Extension of RAPID Service:

The RTC has begun preparation on the eventual extension of the RAPID Virginia Line up to the University of Nevada, Reno. This effort entails extensive coordination with the FTA to certify that the project has achieved a variety of requirements, many of which focus around safety and security of the system.

Project Photos:







**PREVIOUS ACTIONS BY BOARD**

August 20, 2020	Approved Change Order No. 17 to the Sierra Nevada Construction contract for Phase 2 of the Virginia Street Bus RAPID Transit Extension Project
June 19, 2020	Approved Change Order No. 16 to the Sierra Nevada Construction contract for Phase 2 of the Virginia Street Bus RAPID Transit Extension Project
May 22, 2020	Approved Change Order No. 15 to the Sierra Nevada Construction contract for Phase 2 of the Virginia Street Bus RAPID Transit Extension Project
April 17, 2020	Approved Change Order No. 11, 12, 13, and 14 to the Sierra Nevada Construction contract for Phase 2 of the Virginia Street Bus RAPID Transit Extension Project
February 21, 2020	Approved Change Order No. 07, 08, 09, and 10 to the Sierra Nevada Construction contract for Phase 2 of the Virginia Street Bus RAPID Transit Extension Project
December 20, 2019	Approved Change Order No. 05 and 06 to the Sierra Nevada Construction contract for Phase 2 of the Virginia Street Bus RAPID Transit Extension Project
November 15, 2019	Approved Change Order No. 01, 02, 03, and 04 to the SNC construction contract for Phase 2 of the Virginia Street Bus RAPID Transit Extension Project
October 24, 2019	Approved Interlocal Cooperative Agreement with the City of Reno for additional utility conduits on Virginia Street during construction of the South Virginia Street during Construction of the Virginia Street Bus RAPID Transit Extension Project
August 16, 2019	Approved Interlocal Cooperative Agreement with the City of Reno for Requested Enhancements to South Virginia Street during Construction of the Virginia Street Bus RAPID Transit Extension Project

**ADVISORY COMMITTEE(S) RECOMMENDATION**

There are no advisory committee recommendations pertaining to this agenda item.