

**REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY, MAY 4, 2023**

TAC MEMBERS PRESENT

Amber Sosa, Chair	City of Sparks Engineering Services
Craig Petersen	Washoe County Health District Air-Quality Management Division
Julee Olander	Washoe County Community Services
Angela Fuss	City of Reno Community Development
Kurt Dietrich, Vice Chair	City of Reno Public Works
Chris Tolley	Truckee Meadows Regional Planning Agency
Candace Stowell	Reno-Sparks Indian Colony
Kevin Verre	Nevada Department of Transportation
Kyle Chisholm	Washoe County School District

RTC STAFF

Graham Dollarhide	Xuan Wang
Mark Maloney	Lolita Davis
Christian Schonlau	Dan Doenges
Bill Thomas	Amber Bowsmith
Dale Keller	Mark Schlador
Ed Park	Adam Spear
Jeff Wilbrecht	Jim Gee
Marquis Williams	

TAC GUEST

Cole Peiffer, Alta Planning and Design	Eric Ammerman, Tesla
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ITEM 1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

The Technical Advisory Committee meeting was conducted as a Zoom Webinar. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by the Chair, Amber Sosa.

ITEM 2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved as submitted.

ITEM 3. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments given.

ITEM 4. APPROVAL OF THE APRIL 6, 2023 MEETING MINUTES

The TAC April 6, 2023, meeting minutes were approved as submitted.

ITEM 5. REVIEW A REPORT FROM THE RTC'S DIRECTOR OF FINANCE REGARDING THE FY 2023 INCREASE IN THE INDEXED FUEL TAXES IN WASHOE COUNTY

Christian Schonlau, RTC Director of Finance gave a presentation on the FY 2023 increase in the indexed fuel taxes in Washoe County. A copy of the PowerPoint presentation is on file at the RTC Metropolitan Planning Department.

Julie Olander asked if the program is providing the electric and fuel-efficient needs. Christian Schonlau, RTC Director of Finance, stated the electric fuel-efficient, higher miles per gallon and hybrid vehicles will be addressed for shifting needed in the fuel tax program. There is a national effort to examine the federal gas tax and coordination with statewide working groups, which NDOT is a part of for alternatives and studies with the legislature, for potential impacts on the federal gas tax. The RTC Board requested to exam as an agency and local level for federal funding. Bill Thomas, RTC Executive Director, requested an agenda item on the RTC Preservation Program. A discussion continued on the fuel tax.

Julie Olander made a motion to review a report from the RTC's Director of Finance regarding the FY 2023 increase in the indexed fuel taxes in Washoe County.

Kyle Chisholm seconded.

The motion carried unanimously.

ITEM 6. ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF THE FY 2024 RTC TENTATIVE BUDGET

Christian Schonlau, RTC Director of Finance gave a presentation on the FY 2024 RTC Tentative Budget. A copy of the PowerPoint presentation is on file at the RTC Metropolitan Planning Department.

Kyle Chisholm made a motion to acknowledge receipt of the FY 2024 RTC Tentative Budget.

Chris Tolley seconded.

The motion carried unanimously.

ITEM 7. ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF PRESENTATION ON THE MIDTOWN RENO POST-CONSTRUCTION EVALUATION STUDY

Jeff Wilbrecht, RTC Engineering gave a presentation on the Midtown Reno Post-Construction Evaluation Study. A copy of the PowerPoint presentation is on file at the RTC Metropolitan Planning Department.

Kurt Dietrich made a motion to acknowledge receipt of presentation on the Midtown Reno Post-Construction Evaluation Study.

Kyle Chisholm seconded.

The motion carried unanimously.

ITEM 8. REVIEW A REPORT FROM THE RTC'S PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT REGARDING THE BUS STOP IMPROVEMENT AND CONNECTIVITY PROGRAM

Ed Park, RTC Senior Transit Planner gave a presentation on the Bus Stop Improvement and Connectivity Program. A copy of the PowerPoint presentation is on file at the RTC Metropolitan Planning Department.

Candace Stowell asked of the funding on the ADA bus stops for including benches to the improvements. Ed Park, RTC Senior Transit Planner stated funding is allocated for five to seven bus stops a year in improvements and benches are in consideration. Bill Thomas, RTC Executive Director stated, expanding on the bus stop improvements are in constrains on the area and space to have both the sidewalk and bench. Kyle Chisholm commended the before and after presentation photos of the bus stop improvements program.

Julie Olander made a motion to review a report from the RTC's Public Transportation Department regarding the Bus Stop Improvement and Connectivity Program.

Angela Fuss seconded.

The motion carried unanimously.

ITEM 9. ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF PRESENTATION ON RTC ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION PLAN (ATP)

Dan Doenges, RTC Director of Planning and Cole Peiffer from Alta Planning and Design gave a presentation on the RTC Active Transportation Plan (ATP). A copy of the PowerPoint presentation is on file at the RTC Metropolitan Planning Department. Cole Peiffer from Alta Planning and Design stated the project name has been branded to Walk and Roll Truckee Meadows. Cole Peiffer, Alta Planning and Design gave the project email and website: walkandroll@rtcwashoe.com and www.rtcwashoe.com.

Bill Thomas, RTC Executive Director stated the goal is how to get people to ride bicycles and revisit the complete streets. Candace Stowell asked about removing bike lanes on Kietzke Lane. Dan Doenges, RTC Director of Planning stated, RTC is updating the bike map and a list map of traffic

stress or low level of traffic stress to inform of the bicycle choices available. Cole Peiffer, Alta Planning Design stated, RTC can improve by reformat, and reconsidering of the bike lane at Kietzke Lane.

Chris Tolley made a motion to acknowledge receipt of presentation on RTC Active Transportation Plan (ATP)

Julie Olander seconded.

The motion carried unanimously.

ITEM 10. DEVELOPMENT UPDATES

There were no development updates.

ITEM 11. MEMBER ITEMS

Craig Petersen, Washoe County Health District Air-Quality Management and Division, updated on the completed annual data certification for 2022 and the ozone design value. He supports the increase in transportation choices, support land use patterns and encourage non-automobile dependent methods.

Chris Tolley will be presenting at an upcoming TAC meeting on the Public Infrastructure Plan and Natural Resources Plan.

ITEM 12. AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE TAC MEETINGS

There were no agenda items given.

ITEM 13. RTC STAFF ITEMS

There were no staff items.

ITEM 14. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments given.

ITEM 15. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:18 a.m.