



# REGIONAL PLANNING GOVERNING BOARD

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Rosanna Coombes, Director

**MINUTES**  
**REGIONAL PLANNING GOVERNING BOARD (RPGGB)**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**Thursday, June 12, 2008, 2:00 p.m.**

The Regional Planning Governing Board met in regular session in the Washoe County Commission Chambers, 1001 East Ninth Street, Reno, Nevada, and conducted the following business:

The meeting was called to order by Chair Geno Martini at 2:03 p.m.

## **1. ROLL CALL**

The clerk called the roll, and Regional Planning Governing Board Members in attendance were: Geno Martini, David Aiazzi, Mike Carrigan, Robert Cashell, Dwight Dortch, and Ron Schmitt. Members Robert Larkin and Bonnie Weber arrived at 2:06 p.m. Members absent: Jim Galloway and Pierre Hascheff.

Truckee Meadows Regional Planning Agency (TMRPA) staff present: Rosanna Coombes, Director of Regional Planning; Norman Azevedo, Legal Counsel; Patricia Rogers; Peter Gower; Kristine Bunnell, Gretchen Eykelbosh, and Joy Randall.

## **2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

MEMBER CASHELL MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA, SECONDED BY MEMBER AIAZZI. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY WITH SIX (6) MEMBERS PRESENT.

## **3. SALUTE TO THE FLAG**

Member Aiazzi led the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A. April 10, 2008

MEMBER SCHMITT MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE RPGGB MINUTES, SECONDED BY MEMBER CASHELL. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY WITH SIX (6) MEMBERS PRESENT.

## **5. PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

## 6. BUSINESS OF THE DAY

- A. Discussion and possible action to ratify the HOME Consortium interlocal agreement.

*[Members Larkin and Weber arrived at 2:06 p.m.]*

Gretchen Eykelbosh, Policy Analyst, reviewed information regarding this item included in the staff report and stated that RPGB Legal Counsel has reviewed the agreement and requests that a sentence regarding the ratification by the RPGB be added under Section VII.B.6. Ms. Eykelbosh stated that Regional Planning staff recommends that the RPGB either ratify the agreement as presented in Attachment #1, without the proposed sentence, or ratify the agreement with the understanding that an amendment would be processed as soon as possible as described in the staff report and recommended by legal counsel.

MEMBER AIAZZI MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY MEMBER CASHELL.

Rosanna Coombes, Director of Regional Planning, asked if the motion is to approve with or without the amendment recommended by Legal Counsel. The maker of the motion stated that it is with the recommended amendment. The second concurred.

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY WITH EIGHT (8) MEMBERS PRESENT.

## 7. REPORTS

Ms. Coombes introduced Kristine Bunnell as the new Senior Planner with the Regional Planning Agency (RPA).

- A. Members' and Director's reports.

- 1) Consideration and possible acceptance of individual annual reports submitted by local governments and affected entities pursuant to subsection 1 of NRS 278.0286

Ms. Coombes stated that the last annual report is included in the meeting packet and that Regional Planning staff is seeking acceptance of that annual report.

MEMBER CASHELL MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE ANNUAL REPORT, SECONDED BY MEMBER WEBER. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY WITH EIGHT (8) MEMBERS PRESENT.

- 2) Status report on the development of a regional benchmarking project

Peter Gower, Senior Planner, provided an update on the benchmarking project including information regarding the background of the project, the purpose of program, what has been accomplished, and the next steps that will be taken. Mr. Gower stated that Regional Planning staff anticipates being back toward the end of this year with a more formalized report.

- 3) Status report on the Regional Planning commission's action to adopt the 2008 Consensus Forecast

Mr. Gower stated that the 2008 Consensus Forecast was approved by the RPC last night. Mr. Gower reviewed some of the tables in the report that summarize the data contained in the Consensus Forecast.

Member Larkin asked if there is a reason that 2008 was not included in Table 14. Ms. Coombes stated that the last certified estimates that the State Demographer completed are for 2007.

There was some discussion regarding the Regional Transportation Commission (RTC) transportation plan and whether the 2008 estimates are needed at this time. Ms. Coombes stated that the plan. Regional Planning Staff are more interested in reviewing the years between 2008 and conformance review of the 2030 and more particularly the later years.

Ms. Coombes thanked the staffs of the three local entities for their work on the 2008 Consensus Forecast.

- 4) Status report on the RPGB and RTC Subcommittees on Collaboration and Governance

Patricia Rogers, Government Relations-Community Outreach Representative, stated that the Subcommittees met for the first time in a joint meeting on June 5. Ms. Rogers reviewed action taken by the Subcommittees and stated that Regional Planning staff was asked to provide information on planning in the region, provide samples of real cases that illustrate the RTC and TMRPA planning process, and to provide information on other planning processes in other regions such as the state of Maryland.

**B. Legal Counsel's Report**

- 1) Status report and direction to staff on a petition for writ of mandate or judicial review regarding the Regional Planning Commission's determination of conformance (February 13, 2008) of the City of Reno's Master Plan (CR07-035) filed in the Second Judicial District Court by Rancho Haven Residents For Sensible Growth, Sandy McGill, Erik Holland, Progressive Leadership Alliance of Nevada, Citizens for Cold Springs, Frank Schenk adv. Regional Planning [sic] Commission, Truckee Meadows Regional Planning Agency (CV08-00611) on March 10, 2008.

Norm Azevedo, Legal Counsel, stated that he has filed a motion to dismiss the case and an opposition to that motion has been filed. Mr. Azevedo stated that he will reply accordingly. Mr. Azevedo stated that he is looking for authority to file a motion to stay the responsive brief that is due to the court at the end of the month so that the court can get the motion to dismiss resolved first.

MEMBER CASHELL MADE A MOTION TO AUTHORIZE LEGAL COUNSEL TO FILE A STAY OF THE RESPONSIVE BRIEF PENDING RESOLUTION OF MOTION TO DISMISS, SECONDED BY MEMBER AIAZZI. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY WITH EIGHT (8) MEMBERS PRESENT.

**8. REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

- A. Consideration and possible action on calendar of agenda items
- B. Members' and director's requests for agenda items

Ms. Coombes reviewed tentative agenda items for the July 24 RPGB meeting.

Member Larkin stated that some time ago he asked about Regional Utility Corridor safety standards. Ms. Coombes responded that the Regional Planning Commission (RPC) is contemplating a number of provisions within the original Regional Utility Corridor Report (RUCR). One of those elements is in a request from Sierra Pacific for a modification to separation distances. There have been some issues that have required Sierra Pacific to supply data so Regional Planning staff can do some analysis to see

the impacts of those changes to separation distances. Ms. Coombes stated that they are still waiting for the data to come in from Sierra Pacific.

Member Larkin stated that his request is setting utility corridor safety standards which one component of it is when a jurisdiction would or would not be able to underground for safety considerations. This is independent of Sierra Pacific. Ms. Coombes stated that she will look into that and get back to Member Larkin.

**9. WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE**

None

**10. ADJOURNMENT**

MEMBER AIAZZI MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN AT 2:30 P.M., SECONDED BY MEMBER WEBER. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY WITH EIGHT (8) MEMBERS PRESENT.

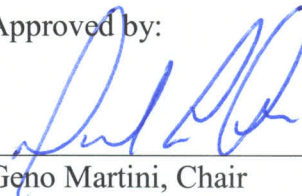
Respectfully submitted by Christine Birmingham.

Reviewed by:



Rosanna Coombes, Director  
Truckee Meadows Regional Planning Agency

Approved by:



Geno Martini, Chair  
Regional Planning Governing Board

**APPROVED BY THE REGIONAL PLANNING GOVERNING BOARD IN SESSION ON**  
7/24, 2008.