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Minutes

Joint Meeting of the

**Regional Planning Governing Board (RPGB) Subcommittee on Collaboration and Governance
and Regional Transportation Commission (RTC) Subcommittee on Collaboration and Governance
June 5, 2008, 2:00 pm**

The RPGB and RTC Subcommittees met in joint session in the Truckee Meadows Regional Planning Agency (TMRPA) Conference Room, One East First Street, Reno, Nevada, and conducted the following business:

The meeting was called to order by Member Geno Martini at 2:13 p.m.

1. ROLL CALL

The clerk called the roll, and RPGB Subcommittee Members in attendance were: Geno Martini, Pierre Hascheff and Jim Galloway.

[Roll for RTC Members was taken after Member Larkin's arrival at 2:45 p.m.] RTC Members in attendance were: David Aiazzi and Robert Larkin.

RTC staff present: Greg Krause, Executive Director, RTC

TMRPA staff present: Rosanna Coombes, Director of Regional Planning; Norman Azevedo, Legal Counsel; Patricia Rogers; Peter Gower; Andy Simpson; Sienna Reid; and Kristine Bunnell.

2. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

It was decided to continue this item until both subcommittees were present.

3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

This item was not addressed.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

5. BUSINESS OF THE DAY

A. Discussion and possible action on the operation of the RPGB and RTC subcommittees including, but not limited to:

1. alternate subcommittee members
2. staffing support
3. meeting management, venue, and future schedule

Rosanna Coombes, Director of Regional Planning, asked for input regarding meeting schedule preferences. After some discussion it was decided that the Subcommittee would meet each month one hour prior to the RPGB meetings.

Ms. Coombes asked if there will be a need for alternates. After some discussion it was decided that each subcommittee would discuss alternates with their full Boards.

- B. Consideration and action regarding the draft project scope of work and timeline including, discussion on a process to identify items requiring further research, analysis, or evaluation, and determine priorities for further work.

Patricia Rogers, Government Relations-Community Outreach Representative, reviewed the proposed timeframe and milestones for the subcommittees included in the meeting packet. Ms. Rogers asked if a facilitator would be needed or not for the first couple of meetings while identifying objectives.

Member Martini asked if staff would have time to facilitate. Ms. Coombes responded that she does not know at this stage how big this item will be and stated that staff would be happy to take it on to begin with and then bring in assistance if needed. Greg Krause, RTC Executive Director, stated that he is interested in hearing what the subcommittees are looking to accomplish and then RTC staff will be in a better position to make that determination.

After some discussion it was decided to have staff facilitate and see what comes from early discussions. It was also agreed that the overall timeline is acceptable.

There was discussion regarding the possibility of combining the RPGB and RTC Boards in the future. Pros and cons and feasibility issues will need to be addressed. The desired end result will need to be identified. Ms. Coombes stated that this dialogue would be helpful for Regional Planning staff and RTC staff and that exploring different options would be a good item for the next meeting agenda.

There was discussion regarding population forecasting and the need for a uniform set of assumptions. It was stated that Regional Planning does not do very much planning but more reviewing reports for conformance. There was discussion regarding more robust planning. Issues with regard to right-of-way and land use changes were mentioned. There was discussion regarding long-range planning and the fact that reality does not meet assumptions about future conditions.

[Member Larkin arrived at 2:45 p.m.]

There was more discussion regarding issues with the current structure and possible benefits of combining the RPGB and RTC Boards.

2. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

MEMBER MARTINI MADE A MOTION TO ELECT MEMBER LARKIN AS SUBCOMMITTEE CHAIR, SECONDED BY MEMBER HASCHEFF. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

WITH FIVE (5) MEMBERS PRESENT.

Mr. Krause asked if it would be helpful if he and Ms. Coombes try to address the issues that have been discussed and prepare a chart showing how the current planning process works for the next meeting. Chair Larkin stated that he is interested in seeing the planning side of the process, not the implementation side.

There was discussion regarding the use of transportation funding to influence or direct land use decisions. Ms. Coombes asked if the primary focus should be about the form and pattern desired for the region and doing the best we can to implement it and refine methods if necessary to implement it. Ms. Coombes used an example of transportation funding and asked if when funding is limited, do we prioritize it to best support the vision of the form for the community or do we pursue the most expedient and efficient use of the dollars regardless of form and pattern.

Member Martini asked that Ms. Coombes and Mr. Krause provide suggestions for what they think could work better when preparing the planning process flow chart.

There was discussion regarding the issue of jobs/housing balance and concurrency an the need for more teeth in the planning process.

Ms. Coombes stated that in terms of form and function in the conformance review process there could to be more rigor, if that is the direction the RPGB wants to go.

[Member Galloway left at 3:20 p.m.]

Mr. Krause asked how soon the subcommittees want to involve their planning and public work staffs in developing responses to their questions and in developing alternatives for consideration. Chair Larkin responded that the Planning and Public Works staff do not need to be involved initially but they could be included once the questions are fully formulated.

Member Hascheff suggested exploring models where transportation and land use planning have been merged and see how it has worked in other jurisdictions.

Ms. Rogers stated for clarification that staff will look at other models and provide flowcharts and call out where functional optimization is happening where administrative efficiencies are happening in those models and then look at our current process and what is working and what is not working.

- C. Information presentations on statutory authority, jurisdiction, operations, and administration of:
 1. Truckee Meadows Regional Planning Agency (TMRPA)
 2. Regional Transportation Commission (RTC)

Chair Larkin asked if there were any questions on this item. There were no questions. Ms. Coombes noted a correction on page 16 of the meeting packet under conformance review elements for the water plan. The last line talks about conformance review and it should be consistency review.

There was discussion regarding the difference between conformance and consistency. Member Hascheff asked if they can get the Attorney General's opinion on the difference between conformance and consistency.

6. REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

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

None

7. WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE

None

8. ADJOURNMENT

MEMBER AIAZZI MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN AT 3:28 P.M., SECONDED BY MEMBER HASCHEFF. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY WITH FOUR (4) MEMBERS PRESENT.

Respectfully submitted by Christine Birmingham.

Approved by:



Rosanna Coombes, Director
Truckee Meadows Regional Planning Agency



Robert Larkin, Chair



Greg Krause, Executive Director
Regional Transportation Commission

APPROVED BY THE RPGB/RTC Subcommittee IN SESSION ON
7/24, 2008.