



REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

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Kendall Mattina
Marvin Moss
Jim Newberg
Steve Rogers
William Weber
Dave Ziegler, Director

MINUTES
Regional Planning Commission (RPC)
REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, 6:30 P.M., July 27, 2005

The Regional Planning Commission 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 Acting Chair Moss at 6:30 p.m.

1. ROLL CALL

The clerk called the roll and the following Commissioners were present: Marvin Moss, Jackie Peterson for Fred Lokken, Marge Frandsen, Kendall Mattina, Steve Rogers, and William Weber. Commissioners Oscar Sanders and Jim Newberg arrived at 6:35 p.m. Commissioners absent were: Fred Lokken and Terry Herman.

Also present were: Rosanna Coombes, TMRPA; Norman Azevedo, Legal Counsel; and Paige Menicucci, TMRPA.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

COMMISSIONER MATTINA MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE JULY 27, 2005, RPC AGENDA, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PETERSON. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY WITH SIX (6) MEMBERS PRESENT.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

Cathy Brandhorst expressed concerns regarding various issues.

4. BUSINESS OF THE DAY

- A. Consideration and possible adoption of RPC Resolution 05-05, a resolution of appreciation for the service of Florence "Marge" Frandsen as chair of the Regional Planning Commission.

Rosanna Coombes, Senior Planner, read RPC Resolution 05-05 expressing appreciation for the service of Marge Frandsen as chair of the RPC.

[Commissioners Newberg and Sanders arrived at 6:35 p.m.]

COMMISSIONER ROGERS MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT RPC RESOLUTION 05-05 AS PRESENTED, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PETERSON.

Commissioner Frandsen stated that it had been a pleasure to serve as the chair of the RPC and to work with the Regional Planning staff and attorney.

Commissioner Newberg stated that it has been a pleasure to be on the RPC with Commissioner Frandsen as chair and that he learned a lot from her.

Chair Moss stated that he also learned a lot from Commissioner Frandsen and expressed appreciation for what she has done.

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

- B. Status report on progress to update the Regional Plan, including consideration and possible action to appoint a technical advisory committee for the 2007 update.

Ms. Coombes reviewed the action taken to establish an oversight committee. The oversight committee will include Fred Lokken, Oscar Sanders, and Marge Frandsen. Ms. Coombes stated that Regional Planning staff recommends that the RPC consider establishing the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) and endorsing the membership that has been submitted by the entities that were invited to participate.

Commissioner Moss asked how many people will be on the TAC. Ms. Coombes responded that there are 23 people that will join the Director of the Truckee Meadows Regional Planning Agency (TMRPA) on the TAC.

Commissioner Moss asked if the assumption is that the RPC would take everyone nominated for the TAC. Ms. Coombes responded that is the question for the RPC tonight. The people on the TAC list were nominated by the participating organizations.

Commissioner Rogers expressed concern that there is not a representative for the North Valleys on the TAC list. Chair Moss stated that it looks like Washoe County chose not to nominate anyone. Ms. Coombes stated that the TAC was designed to be made up of staff or technical representatives that could advise the RPC in terms of the policies. The entities included are either local governments, effected entities as defined by statute, or those organizations that we have a very close working relationship with. There is another tier of participation that includes key stakeholders which are also included in the process. That will include all of the CABs, so they will be invited to participate.

Commissioner Rogers stated that the North Valleys should be represented by someone with some kind of authority rather than just being invited to participate.

Chair Moss stated that the TAC was intended to include technical people and not regional representatives. Commissioner Mattina agreed and stated that it was decided that there would be a larger group of stakeholders in addition to the TAC. Commissioner Frandsen also agreed and stated that there was no intention on the part of the interim committee to exclude anyone from participating. The TAC includes technical people and there will be a time when others with an interest will be included in the process.

COMMISSIONER NEWBERG MADE A MOTION TO ESTABLISH THE 2007 REGIONAL PLAN TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE AS DESCRIBED IN ATTACHMENT #1 OF THE STAFF REPORT, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FRANDSEN.

Chair Moss asked if it is possible to add more technical people to the TAC in the future. Ms. Coombes responded that the TAC can be modified by the RPC at any time.

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

5. DIRECTORS, MEMBERS, AND LEGAL COUNSEL INFORMATION ITEMS

A. Director's report:

- 1) Report on actions and agendas of the Regional Planning Governing Board.

Ms. Coombes reviewed tentative agenda items for the Regional Planning Governing Board (RPGB) meeting in August.

B. Legal counsel's report:

- 1) Status report and possible direction to staff on Washoe County's petition for judicial review of the certification of Reno's annexation program as conforming with the Regional Plan

Mr. Azevedo stated that the settlement agreement was not approved by Washoe County yesterday. The County has requested their legal counsel make a motion to vacate or continue the August 4 hearing currently set with Judge Hardesty. The Judge can either extend it pending further negotiations or rule on the merits of the case.

Chair Moss asked Mr. Azevedo if he is saying that the Judge could take the agreement as it is and approve it. Mr. Azevedo responded no. The Judge could totally abandon the settlement agreement and rule on the merits of the actual litigation.

Chair Moss asked Mr. Azevedo what would happen now if the County had approved the settlement agreement. Mr. Azevedo responded that it would have gone to the RPGB this morning for their consideration and possible approval. If that were the case, we would report back to the Judge on August 4.

Chair Moss stated that there are a number of items in there that are in opposition to the Regional Plan as currently adopted and asked if they would all have to come back as amendments. Mr. Azevedo responded that if the agreement were approved, certain action would need to be taken by the RPC.

Chair Moss asked about the wording on page 3, line 17 of the settlement agreement. Mr. Azevedo responded that it should read "a new program of annexation".

Chair Moss asked if there will have to be new maps drawn. Mr. Azevedo responded that the agreement as currently drafted would necessitate a lot of work at the TMRPA to facilitate it going forward.

C. Report on Truckee Meadows Growth Task Force.

Ms. Coombes stated that the Task Force has retained Darrin Dinsmore as a facilitator to work on their action plan at a workshop scheduled for August 16 and 17.

6. REQUESTS FOR AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

A. Review of tentative agenda items for August.

Ms. Coombes reviewed future agenda items for the August RPC meetings.

B. Review of 12-month calendar of projected RPC and RPGB actions.

Ms. Coombes stated that the 12-month calendar is provided in the meeting packet.

7. WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE

None

8. PUBLIC COMMENT

Cathy Brandhorst expressed concerns regarding various issues.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Moss adjourned the meeting at 7:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Christine Birmingham.

Reviewed by:

Approved by:

Dave Ziegler, Director
Truckee Meadows Regional Planning Agency

Fred Lokken, Chair
Regional Planning Commission

**APPROVED BY THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION IN SESSION ON
_____, 2005.**