



# REGIONAL PLANNING GOVERNING BOARD

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Bonnie Weber, Chair  
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Dwight Dortch  
Jim Galloway  
Toni Harsh  
Pierre Hascheff  
Geno Martini  
Ron Schmitt  
Jim Shaw  
Dave Ziegler, Director

## MINUTES

### REGIONAL PLANNING GOVERNING BOARD Regular Meeting Thursday, June 10, 2004

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

The meeting was called to order by Chair Bonnie Weber at 2:04 p.m.

#### 1. ROLL CALL

The clerk called the roll, and Regional Planning Governing Board Members in attendance were: Bonnie Weber, Dave Aiazzi, Dwight Dortch, Jim Galloway, Toni Harsh, Geno Martini, and Jim Shaw. Members absent were: Mike Carrigan, Pierre Hascheff, and Ron Schmitt.

Also present were: Dave Ziegler, TMRPA Director; Norman Azevedo, Legal Counsel; Randy Baxley, TMRPA; Rosanna Coombes, TMRPA; Patricia Rogers, TMRPA; Mary Kuechler, TMRPA; and Lora Richards, TMRPA.

#### 2. SALUTE TO THE FLAG

Member Dortch led the salute to the flag and the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### 3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MEMBER AIAZZI MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE JUNE 10, 2004, AGENDA, SECONDED BY MEMBER SHAW. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY WITH SEVEN (7) MEMBERS PRESENT.

#### 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES, MAY 13, 2004, REGULAR MEETING

MEMBER AIAZZI MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MAY 13, 2004, MINUTES, SECONDED BY MEMBER MARTINI. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY WITH SEVEN (7) MEMBERS PRESENT.

#### 5. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

## **6. BUSINESS OF THE DAY**

- A. PUBLIC HEARING - Consideration and possible adoption of RPGB Resolution 04-04, adopting a proposed amendment to the 2002 Regional Plan, revising a portion of the boundary of the Reno-Stead Corridor Joint Plan (RSCJP) delineated on Map 6 of the Regional Plan by excluding a site of approximately 4.65 acres (i.e., the Bushey/Busi property) from the joint plan area, and placing the same site within the cooperative planning area delineated on Map 7 of the Regional Plan.

Randy Baxley, Senior Regional Planner, stated that Regional Planning staff did not identify any significant issues or concerns with this request. The Regional Planning Commission (RPC) voted unanimously last night to adopt the RPC Resolution 04-05, recommending adoption of the requested amendments.

*[The public hearing was opened.]* There were no requests to speak.

*[The public hearing was closed.]*

MEMBER DORTCH MADE A MOTION TO ADOPT, SECONDED BY MEMBER AIAZZI. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY WITH SEVEN (7) MEMBERS PRESENT.

## **7. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS**

- A. Consideration and possible acceptance of FY 04-05 Strategic Plan and Work Program for the program of regional planning.

Dave Ziegler, Director of Regional Planning, stated that there is a staff report on page 17 of the meeting packet. This is the last month of the fiscal year. Mr. Ziegler reviewed some of the highlights of the work program.

Member Galloway asked if the analysis portion includes an analysis of natural resource constraints on the carrying capacity of the region. Mr. Ziegler responded that it does.

Member Galloway asked if that is something that can be achieved this year. Mr. Ziegler responded that it is. The Regional Water Planning Commission (RWPC) is getting very close to completing its plan update. They have imbedded in that plan something called the water resources baseline, which covers service water and groundwater resources by hydrobasin. The RWPC coordinated with the Regional Planning Agency (RPA) on population predictions.

Member Galloway stated that the water and sewer constraints are the ones most of us are aware of. It would be good to finally get a carrying capacity.

MEMBER AIAZZI MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE WORK PROGRAM, SECONDED BY MEMBER SHAW. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY WITH SEVEN (7) MEMBERS PRESENT.

## **8. REPORTS**

- A. Members' and Director's reports

Mr. Ziegler introduced the newest Regional Planning staff member, Lora Richards. Ms. Richards is the Planning Analyst and GIS Specialist.

B. Legal counsel's report

- 1) District Court orders and appearances regarding the Regional Plan settlement agreement (October 17, 2002) and related issues, including but not limited to the water purveyor issues in the Verdi area.

Norm Azevedo, Legal Counsel, stated that there was a question asked by Judge Hardesty as to whether the parties wanted to participate in a settlement conference regarding the water purveyor issues. Because one of the parties did not agree to participate, there will be no settlement conference on this matter. The judge will render a decision.

- 2) Washoe County and SVGID appeal to District Court in dispute resolution case DR03-001-RPGB, regarding cooperative planning criteria.

Mr. Azevedo stated that this case has been set for oral argument on June 26.

- 3) 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 record on appeal has been filed. This will also be set for oral argument at the conclusion of the briefing.

C. Report on meetings of interim legislative committees, legislative MOU, and conceptual legislation for 2005 session.

Patricia Rogers, Community Outreach Assistant, stated that the legislative MOU was amended and approved by the Washoe County School District, the City of Sparks, and the Regional Transportation Commission (RTC). Ms. Rogers reviewed the schedule for consideration by the City of Reno and Washoe County.

Member Galloway asked if there is a copy of the MOU in the meeting packet. Ms. Rogers responded that it is not in this packet. It has been in the last couple of meeting packets.

Member Galloway asked what the amendment was. Ms. Rogers responded that the amendment was a suggestion to include a paragraph stating that it would be helpful to meet with all the parties prior to the legislative session.

## 9. REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

A. Consideration of, and possible action on, calendar of agenda items

Mr. Ziegler reviewed tentative agenda items for the July and August RPGB meetings. Mr. Ziegler asked the board members to let him know if they feel that the July agenda is too light to justify a meeting.

Member Harsh stated that she will not be able to attend the August meeting and asked if the items scheduled for August would be prepared to come forward for the July meeting. Mr. Ziegler responded that they would not be ready for the July meeting.

Chair Weber suggested not holding a meeting in July.

Member Aiazzi asked if the July meeting needed to be held for the election of officers. Chair Weber stated that Mr. Azevedo is checking on that.

Member Galloway asked if the board can express the desire to continue, unless the bylaws do not permit it.

**MEMBER GALLOWAY MADE A MOTION TO CONTINUE, UNLESS THE BYLAWS DO NOT PERMIT IT, SECONDED BY MEMBER DORTCH.**

Mr. Ziegler clarified that the motion is to express the desire of the board not to hold a meeting unless it is required. Member Galloway stated that it also includes moving the July business to the next meeting.

Mr. Ziegler stated that there may be some outcome from the session with Judge Hardesty on June 26 that would require the RPGB to meet in July.

**MEMBER GALLOWAY AMENDED THE MOTION TO INCLUDE THAT, UNLESS IT IS THE DIRECTOR'S OPINION THAT THERE IS NEW REASON FOR THE RPGB TO MEET, THERE WILL NOT BE A MEETING IN JULY, SECOND CONCURRED.**

Member Martini asked Mr. Azevedo if this can be voted on since it is not on the agenda. Mr. Azevedo responded that the regulations on procedure contain a provision that basically states that if you deviate from these rules, you are okay as long as it does not violate another provision of applicable law. Based on this provision in the regulations, it would be fine to defer the election until August. With respect to the open meeting law inquiry as to whether it is appropriate to talk about future meetings, the description under agenda item 9.A would be satisfactory.

**THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY WITH SEVEN (7) MEMBERS PRESENT.**

**B. Members' and director's requests for agenda items**

Member Shaw stated that he talked with Mr. Ziegler before the meeting regarding having a discussion as to why there has not been a representative from the school district attending the RPGB meetings. Chair Weber stated that will be added to the next RPGB agenda.

**10. WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE**

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

1. City of Reno
2. Airport Authority of Washoe County
3. Reno Redevelopment Agency
4. Washoe County School District
5. Regional Transportation Commission
6. Washoe County District Health Department, Solid Waste Division
7. Washoe County
8. City of Sparks/Sparks Redevelopment Agency (joint)

Rosanna Coombes, Long-Range and Community Relations Planner, stated that when all of the reports have been received, Regional Planning staff will be pulling apart the individual reports and compiling them into a regional report. Regional Planning staff is asking simply for a motion to accept the reports at this point.

Member Harsh asked which report is missing. Ms. Coombes responded that the only report missing is the Washoe County District Health Department Air Quality Management Division.

Member Harsh asked if the RWPC would be included in this. Ms. Coombes responded that the RWPC is not actually an affected entity.

Member Harsh asked if an annual report can be requested from the RWPC. Ms. Coombes responded that Regional Planning staff can ask if they have an annual report.

Mr. Azevedo stated that this request can be made as long as it is understood that it is a request and that the RWPC is not obligated to provide a report.

Chair Weber asked for clarification that Regional Planning staff will be giving the RPGB a more in depth report at some point. Ms. Coombes responded that is correct.

Member Harsh stated that these annual reports will still be needed to reference more detailed information. Ms. Coombes responded that this material would be resubmitted to the RPGB.

Chair Weber suggested that each board member keep the packet so that more copies do not need to be made.

**MEMBER GALLOWAY MADE A MOTION TO ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF THESE REPORTS, SECONDED BY MEMBER HARSH. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY WITH SEVEN (7) MEMBERS PRESENT.**

## **11. ADJOURNMENT**

**MEMBER AIAZZI MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN AT 2:32 P.M., SECONDED BY MEMBER MARTINI. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY WITH SEVEN (7) MEMBERS PRESENT.**

Respectfully submitted by Christine Birmingham.

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David S. Ziegler, Director  
Truckee Meadows Regional Planning Agency

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Bonnie Weber, Chair  
Regional Planning Governing Board

**APPROVED BY THE REGIONAL PLANNING GOVERNING BOARD IN SESSION ON \_\_\_\_\_, 2004**

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