

TAC Members

- Nevada System of Higher Education
- Palomino Valley General Improvement District
- Regional Transportation Commission
- Regional Water Planning Commission
- City of Reno
- Reno Redevelopment Agency
- Reno-Sparks Indian Colony
- Reno-Tahoe Airport Authority
- Sierra Pacific Power Company
- South Truckee Meadows General Improvement District
- City of Sparks
- Sparks Redevelopment Agency
- Sun Valley General Improvement District
- Truckee Meadows Regional Planning Agency
- Truckee Meadows Water Authority
- Washoe County
- Washoe County Department of Water Resources
- Washoe County District Health Department, Air Quality Management Division
- Washoe County District Health Department, Environmental Health Services Division
- Washoe County HOME Consortium
- Washoe County School District
- Waste Management, Inc.

**MINUTES
2007 REGIONAL PLAN UPDATE
TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Friday, January 5, 2007**

The Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) met in the Truckee Meadows Community College – Dandini Campus Vista Building, Room B206, Reno, Nevada, and conducted the following business:

The meeting was called to order by Rosanna Coombes, Interim Director of Regional Planning, at 9:00 a.m.

1. ROLL CALL

The clerk called the roll, and TAC members in attendance were: Jim Rundle, , City of Sparks and Sparks Redevelopment Agency; Greg Dennis, Regional Water Planning Commission; Jodi Royal-Goodwin, Reno Redevelopment and HOME Consortium; Mark Sullivan, Sierra Pacific Power Company; Hilary Lopez, Truckee Meadows Water Authority; Adrian Freund, Washoe County; Jim Smitherman, filling in for Jeanne Ruefer, Washoe County Department of Water Resources; Duane Sikorski, Washoe County District Health Department (Air Quality); Mike Boster, Washoe County School District, and Rosanna Coombes, Truckee Meadows Regional Planning Agency (TMRPA).

Dean Schultz, Reno-Tahoe Airport Authority, arrived at 9:12 a.m.

Members absent were: John Hester, City of Reno; Harold Shotwell, Palomino Valley GID; Debra Goodwin, Regional Transportation Commission; Scott Nebesky, Reno-Sparks Indian Colony; Jerry Schumacher, South Truckee Meadows GID; Robert Lichtenstein, Nevada System of Higher Education; Diana Langs, Sun Valley GID; Jeanne Rucker, Washoe County District Health Dept. (Solid Waste); and, Greg Martinelli, Waste Management.

Truckee Meadows Regional Planning Agency (TMRPA) staff present was: Rosanna Coombes; Patty Rogers; and, Lora Richards.

Also present were: Dee Schafer and Susan Speth-Briganti from Corporate Solutions, Inc. who were the facilitators for the meeting, and Marilyn Gross to take the Minutes. Arlo Stockham; Jim Nadeau; David Roberts, Director TMCC Facilities Services; Jerry McKnight; and, Stacey Crowley were also present.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MEMBER SULLIVAN MOVED TO APPROVE THE AGENDA. SECONDED BY MEMBER FREUND. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Rosanna Coombes, TMRPA Interim Director, welcomed visitors and invited them to introduce themselves.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment requests presented.

4. BUSINESS OF THE DAY

Dee Schafer, Corporate Solutions, Inc., reviewed the agenda for today's meeting, which is to present the language of concurrency for approval. Ms. Schafer stated that affordable housing has been approved by the TAC previously and the RPC meeting will be held on January 10, 2007 to discuss TAC recommendations. Ms. Schafer urged all members to attend to testify on affordable housing and concurrency. Ms. Schafer turned the meeting over to Lora Richards and Ms. Coombes.

A. Consideration of final recommendation to the Regional Planning Commission on the 2007 update of the Regional Plan including but not limited to:

1. Discussion on revised goal and policy language to address natural resource management, concurrency, and affordable housing,

Ms. Coombes gave a brief overview regarding attachment #1 addressing the TAC's draft recommendations on affordable housing and concurrency, and to add wildlife migration paths to Policy 2.1.1. Ms. Coombes explained that one response to the draft was received from the City of Sparks and that the purpose of today's meeting is to address the draft and the City of Sparks' recommendations.

Ms. Schafer suggested going page-by-page through Attachment #1 to review the concerns that the City of Sparks had. Ms. Coombes reviewed Attachment #1 and explained the suggestions of the City of Sparks. Member Dennis requested to know what coordination means under Goal 3.5. Ms. Coombes explained.

Ms. Schafer requested comments or concerns on Goal 3.5. A discussion followed regarding intent. Another discussion followed regarding the coordination of effort on providing service. Ms. Schafer requested input. Most members agreed that the intent is fine as written. Jerry McKnight questioned the last line of the policy regarding "the time the impacts of new development occurs." A brief discussion followed regarding when the impact occurs. Mr. McKnight expressed concern regarding the time frame of impact.

Member Rundle stated that he does not understand where things are going at this point. It was stated that each entity addresses and plans systems differently. Arlo Stockham stated that as he reads the goal it discusses the review of facility plans. Ms. Coombes clarified that facilities plans will be reviewed not facility plans.

Ms. Schafer summarized that the majority of the group is comfortable with the wording of Goal 3.5. Ms. Coombes explained that the TMRPA will use Policy 3.5.1. and 3.5.2 for conformance review. Ms. Coombes read the policies and explained each one.

Ms. Schafer requested that Member Rundle review the City of Sparks' recommendations. Member Rundle explained that the suggestion was to flip the order of Policies 3.5.1 and 3.5.2 and remove the wording "all responsible" from #3 as it is too vague. Attachment #2 indicates the suggested changes by the City of Sparks.

Member Dennis stated that he is concerned with the restrictive language of Policy 3.5.1 (Attachment #2). Member Dennis suggested adding the words "at a minimum" following the words "must be based".

Ms. Coombes expressed concern that switching the two policies would possibly cause interpretations that the Master Plan would not be primary in the planning process and that facilities plans would take precedent. Ms. Richards commented that the policy does not direct person(s) but directs plans.

Ms. Coombes questioned who would address the existing deficiency in the system based on the recommendations of the City of Sparks. A discussion followed regarding addressing the deficiencies. Ms. Schafer directed the members' attention to the issue at hand which is to determine if the members are comfortable with adding "at a minimum" in Policy 3.5.1. The members agreed that it would be okay to add the language.

Ms. Schafer next requested to know if the members would like to switch the order of the policies. A brief discussion followed. Member Sullivan stated that to identify the problem is easier than fixing the problem funding-wise. Member Freund stated that the order of policies as they are is fine. Member Dennis suggested adding "are or will be available" to Policy 3.5.2 (Attachment #2). Member Freund agreed with the addition of words.

Member Lopez suggested using a different word other than "better" in Policy 3.5.2, #3. It was decided that "better" would be deleted.

MEMBER SULLIVAN MOVED TO FORWARD THE INFORMATION TO THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION BASED UPON THE DISCUSSIONS HELD AND THE RECOMMENDED CHANGES. SECONDED BY MEMBER DENNIS.

A brief discussion followed regarding the concerns of the City of Sparks on existing deficiencies.

MOTION WAS SUPPORTED UNANIMOUSLY.

At this point in the meeting, Member Freund departed.

2. Feedback and recommendations from stakeholders or TAC members on any section of the proposed 2007 update to the Regional Plan including the introductory sections of the plan, modules 1-4, appendices, or maps.

This item was not discussed.

B. Discussion on TAC meeting schedule and process to complete the plan.

Ms. Coombes once again urged the Members to attend the Planning Commission meeting on January 10 to testify on affordable housing and concurrency. Ms. Rogers stated that any issues should be brought to the TMRPA's attention before the meeting.

5. WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE

This item was not discussed.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Due to the fact that a quorum was no longer present, Ms. Coombes announced that the meeting would be adjourned. The meeting adjourned at 10:05 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by Marilyn Gross,

REVIEWED BY:



Rosanna Coombes, Interim Director
Truckee Meadows Regional Planning Agency

FILED ON

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