REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
CITIZENS MULTIMODAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 7, 2026

CMAC MEMBERS PRESENT

Panah Stauffer (Chair)
Juan Martinez
Michael Lansborough
Justin Haghighi
Kelly Orr (Vice Chair)
Damien Cole
Doug Taylor

CMAC MEMBERS ABSENT

Sierra Henderson
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RTC STAFF

Marquis Williams
Graham Dollarhide
Lolita Davis
Josh MacEachern
Shay League

CMAC GUESTS

Liam Zurline
Casper
Member of the Public
Member of the Public

1. ROLL CALL/CALL TO ORDER

The Citizens Multimodal Advisory Committee (CMAC) meeting was conducted as a Zoom Meeting. The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Marquis Williams.

2. VERBAL INSTRUCTIONS REQUIRED BY ASSEMBLY BILL 219 (2023)

RTC staff read the instructions required for participating via Zoom and participating via telephone.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

One written public comment was received.

4. APPROVE THE AUGUST 5, 2026, MEETING MINUTES (*For Possible Action*)

The CMAC August 5, 2026, meeting minutes were approved with one correction.

5. INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS.

ITEM 5.1: PROVIDE INFORMATION AND ADVICE, REGARDING THE EV ROADSHOW APPROVED.

Josh MacEachern, RTC Public Information Officer, gave a presentation on the EV Roadshow Approved.

Justin asked about the status of a bill draft request (BDR) related to the proposed measure. Josh MacEachern, RTC Public Information Officer, stated he would look into any associated BDR's and provide an update. Justin expressed concerns about the distinction between hybrid and gasoline-powered vehicles, noting that some hybrid vehicles are less fuel-efficient than smaller gasoline-powered vehicles. He suggested considering an adjustment to the fuel tax based on changes in average vehicle fuel economy and the purchasing power of the tax rather than focusing on specific vehicle technologies.

Panah expressed concerns that the presentation appeared to favor the proposed measure despite RTC's stated neutral position. She questioned whether the estimated $15.5 million in additional revenue would meaningfully address unfunded transportation projects. She emphasized the need to explore broader, long-term infrastructure funding solutions, including contributions from large businesses that place demands on transportation infrastructure, rather than relying primarily on additional fees for electric vehicle owners.

Kelly acknowledged the community's transportation funding challenges and expressed support for exploring additional revenue sources. She noted that similar approaches have been implemented in other states and expressed hope that the proposed measure would help fund expanded transportation and commuter options for the region.

ITEM 5.2: PROVIDE INFORMATION, AND RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING RTIP AMENDMENT NO. 4.

Graham Dollarhide, RTC Transportation Planning Manager, gave a presentation on the RTIP Amendment No. 4.

ITEM 5.3: PROVIDE INFORMATION, AND RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING THE DRAFT ROCK CORRIDOR STUDY REPORT.

Shay League, RTC Sr. Transportation Planner, gave a presentation on the Draft Rock Corridor Study Report.

Damien expressed concerns regarding the availability of detailed project drawings and the opportunity to review the presentation in advance. He asked what the RTC Board would be

adopting and raised questions regarding pedestrian and bicycle improvements, particularly near the I-80 and Union Pacific Railroad underpass. He also expressed concerns about physical barriers separating shared-use paths from vehicle traffic, ADA accessibility near Rock Park, sidewalk widths near the elementary school, utility pole placement, and intersection safety.
Shay League, RTC Sr. Transportation Planner, explained that the study is currently at the planning level and that detailed designs would be developed during preliminary engineering. She noted that a pedestrian bridge had been considered but was determined to be infeasible at this stage due to uncertainties surrounding future NDOT improvements. The current recommendation includes a 10-foot shared-use path beneath the interchange with barriers separating users from traffic. She also stated that design adjustments would be made as necessary to meet applicable accessibility and engineering standards.

Panah requested that the presentation be made available to committee members and asked about opportunities for CMAC members and the public to provide input during future project design phases. Graham Dollarhide, RTC Transportation Planning Manager, clarified that the study identifies potential improvements at a conceptual level. Following adoption, recommended projects would be evaluated and prioritized through the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) process, with implementation dependent on funding availability. He confirmed that additional public outreach opportunities would occur during the design phase and that proposed improvements could be modified as engineering progresses.

Damien expressed concern that adopting the plan could limit future design changes. Graham confirmed that modifications, including widening a proposed 8-foot sidewalk to a 10-foot shared-use path, could be considered during later design phases.

Justin questioned whether removing the I-80 interchange at Rock Boulevard had been considered as a potential solution to congestion and mobility challenges along the corridor. He suggested that removing the interchange could improve both regional and local mobility. Shay explained that removal of the interchange is included in NDOT's Spaghetti Bowl Phase 2 project, which proposes redirecting traffic to neighboring interchanges via frontage roads. She noted that NDOT is reevaluating the design to minimize impacts near the Nugget. As a result, the interchange was not addressed in detail in the corridor study because NDOT is already planning improvements.

Panah asked how CMAC members would be notified of future opportunities to provide input as projects move into the design and implementation phases. She emphasized the importance of keeping committee members informed throughout the process rather than only when plans are approaching adoption. Graham acknowledged the concern and stated that staff would work to provide updates on upcoming public participation opportunities, potentially through regular staff updates at CMAC meetings. Panah suggested that RTC also notify committee members by email when opportunities for public input become available to encourage continued participation and feedback.

ITEM 5.4: **PROVIDE INFORMATION, AND RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING THE NNP'S 3 and 4.**

Damien expressed support for the proposed multimodal improvements and noted that the City of Reno Public Works Design Manual includes shared-use path requirements for certain roadways undergoing rehabilitation. He encouraged RTC to consider these requirements as opportunities to advance improvements. He also asked about the blue dashed lines identifying multimodal projects on the maps. Marquis Williams, RTC Sr. Transportation Planner, clarified that the blue dashed lines represent multimodal projects identified in the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP), which may be considered for future implementation.

Doug Taylor highlighted the benefits of safer crossings near Donner Springs and improvements around Sun Valley Elementary School, noting that these projects would improve safety and accessibility for students and families.

Panah requested clarification on the definition of a neighborhood byway. Marquis explained that neighborhood byways are typically lower-traffic, lower-speed streets where traffic-calming measures, such as curb extensions, pedestrian median islands, and chicanes, can improve bicycle and pedestrian safety without requiring dedicated protected bicycle facilities.

6. APPROVE THE ELECTION OF A CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR TO SERVE FROM OCTOBER 7, 2026, UNTIL JUNE 30, 2027. (*For Possible Action*)

Panah Stauffer volunteered to serve as Chair. Damien Cole made a motion to appoint Panah as Chair and Kelly Orr seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Kelly Orr volunteered to serve as Vice Chair. Panah Stauffer made a motion to appoint Kelly as Vice Chair, and Damien Cole seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

7. RTC STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS

Marquis Williams, RTC Sr. Transportation Planner, announced that a ribbon-cutting celebration for the new green bike lanes on Virginia Street, part of the Biggest Little Bike Network implementation, would take place the following day, October 8, at 10:00 a.m.

8. PUBLIC COMMENT

Damien recommended prohibiting right turns on red at affected intersections and reconsidering the placement and design of the bicycle boxes. He also noted an increase in vehicles parking in the bike lanes and emphasized the need to install protective delineators as soon as possible. Marquis Williams, RTC Sr. Transportation Planner, stated he will pass the comments to the Project Manager for the Biggest Little Bike Network, Sara Going.

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.