MINUTES
REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION OF SOUTHERN NEVADA
FEBRUARY 14, 2019

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IN THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS ON FEBRUARY 7, 2019

CALL TO ORDER
Mr. Larry Brown, Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:28 a.m. in the Commission Chambers of the Clark County Government Center.

MEMBERS PRESENT:
Larry Brown, Chair, Clark County
Debra March, Vice-Chair, City of Henderson
Isaac Barron, City of North Las Vegas
George Gault, City of Mesquite
Jim Gibson, Clark County
Carolyn Goodman, City of Las Vegas
Rod Woodbury, City of Boulder City

MEMBERS ABSENT:
Kristina Swallow, Nevada Department of Transportation (ex-officio)
Lois Tarkanian, City of Las Vegas

RTC STAFF:
Fred Ohene, Deputy General Manager
M.J. Maynard, Deputy General Manager
Greg Gilbert, Outside Legal Counsel
David Swallow, Senior Director of Engineering and Technology
Angela Castro, Senior Director of Government Affairs and Media Relations and Marketing
John Peñuelas, Jr., Director of Engineering Services – Streets and Highways
Aileen Magnera, Advertising and Creative Supervisor
Marin DuBois, Management Analyst
Eric Scharn, Transit Amenities Worker
Chris Schwarz, Regional Traffic Control Coordinator

INTERESTED PARTIES:
Dorothy Barnes
Aleta Dupree
Robin Kincaid
Tracy Larkin-Thomason, Nevada Department of Transportation
Stephanie Vrsnick
Stanley Washington

RTC Item #5
March 14, 2019
Consent
Item:
1. CONDUCT A COMMENT PERIOD FOR CITIZENS PARTICIPATION

Comments:
Chair Larry Brown called on Ms. Aleta Dupree, who made the following comment:
Chair Brown, thank you. Aleta Dupree for the record. As I have written on the paper, I’m speaking specifically on the posted agenda Item number 28, which is about budgeting for rides. I’m in support of this program. I’m encouraged at the growth of this program. Last week I had some personal experience through a different plan I had, and being able to use Lyft as a platform to get me to and from an appointment of which I made a phone call and was able to arrange round trip transportation. And, using that customer service experience to provide me with all the relevant information such as the vehicle’s driver’s name, make, model of the car, and license plate. So, it was a very flexible situation for me. It helped to travel on a shorter notice. I see this item as on consent. It is my hope that this item will remain on consent. It is very important that we pass this item because this expansion will help us to be more efficient and to be able to move a lot more people in need to achieve their goals to get around this area. Again, I strenuously urge to pass this item. Thank you.

Motion:
No motion was necessary.

Vote/Summary:
No vote was taken.

Item:
2. APPROVE THE AGENDA (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

Comments:
No comments were made.

Motion:
Debra March made a motion to approve the agenda.

Vote/Summary:
6 Ayes. 0 Nays. The motion carried.
Ayes: Larry Brown, Isaac Barron, George Gault, Jim Gibson, Carolyn Goodman, Debra March, Nays: None
Absent: Lois Tarkanian, Rod Woodbury

Item:
3. RECEIVE THE GENERAL MANAGER’S REPORT

Comments:
Following a detailed PowerPoint presentation [attached], Dr. Fred Ohene, Deputy General Manager for the Regional Transportation Commission of Southern Nevada (RTC), provided the General Manager’s Report. He began with recognitions. The first recognitions included the RTC’s Superstars of the Quarter. He recognized Mr. Eric Scharn, who played a key role in the December transit service changes. Next, Mr. Chris Schwartz was recognized for his responsiveness and accountability in helping to resolve inquiries from the public received through the Seeing Orange program.

Then, Dr. Ohene moved on to contractor recognitions. Mr. Jemil Galang, a mechanic with Keolis, was recognized for his work in the preventative maintenance inspections of more than 220 vehicles. Finally, Officer Ronald Peterson, a security officer with AlliedUniversal, was recognized after locating two youths who were reported missing by their respective families in separated incidents.

Dr. Ohene continued his report with an update on the Maryland Parkway project. He said that the environmental assessment was approved, and the public comment period began on February 4, 2019.
RTC staff will be hosting various open house presentations throughout the month. Dr. Ohene added that the public could also provide comments on the project plans online up until March 7, 2019, when the comment period ends. He then provided an outline of next steps following the comment period, which included the following: Present findings and recommendations to the RTC Board of Commissioners (Board); RTC Board adopts Locally Preferred Alternative; Finalize environmental assessment with federal government; Begin application for federal funding; Evaluate transit-oriented development opportunities along Maryland Parkway. He noted that corridor enhancement could begin as early as 2022.

Next, Dr. Ohene introduced Ms. M.J. Maynard, Deputy General Manager for the RTC, to give an update on the state of the system. Ms. Maynard highlighted various statistics regarding the transit system. She reported that the total fixed route saw an overall ridership increase of 2.5 percent from the previous year, but noted that the Strip ridership continued to decrease. She elaborated that while the Strip saw a 4.1 percent decrease, the General Market saw a 4.1 percent increase, representing an increase of over one million boardings. She recalled that the top five fastest growing routes cover nearly all geographic areas of the Las Vegas Valley. Ms. Maynard said General Market revenue increased 2.8 percent from the previous year. However, she cautioned that due to a larger decrease in Strip revenue, the overall revenue growth was nearly flat. The Strip saw a seven percent decrease year over year, with a cumulative loss of approximately $14 million in revenue between November 2015 and December 2018. She advised that the RTC has yet to hit a plateau where revenues are stabilized to a new “normal” level.

Fixed route on-time performance (OTP), Ms. Maynard continued, showed a .03 percent decrease from the five-minute on-time standard. Fixed route saw a 3.8 percent increase on road calls, mostly due to construction projects throughout Southern Nevada. However, there was a 9.6 percent decrease in heat-related shutdowns as a result of the ongoing bus replacement plan.

Ms. Maynard reported that the RTC has 3,337 bus stop. Of those, 1,287 are five feet or more away from the curb. The RTC Transit Amenities department submitted five bus stop lighting packages for bid. Increasing visibility and safety at bus stop shelters is a high priority for the RTC, Ms. Maynard affirmed. Additionally, staff performed 26,656 bus stop inspections over 1,897 hours to ensure compliance by bus stop cleaning contractors. Advertising revenue from both bus shelters and buses pays for the maintenance of bus stops. That revenue has remained steady at $1.9 million.

Next, Ms. Maynard updated the Board on specialized services. She recounted that the total number of paratransit trips increase by 1.3 percent, noting that more customers are booking trips online through the RideCheck feature. OTP increased slightly from 93.8 percent to 94 percent. Senior transportation trips via the Silver Star routes and the Flexible Demand Response (FDR) service saw a 4.1 percent increase in the number of trips taken. The Veterans Medical Transportation Network (VMTN) saw a 22.3 percent decrease in the number of trips taken. She pointed out that the demand fluctuates for VMTN as it is only for medical appointments. There was a 32.5 percent increase in the number of mobility-trained customers from July through December 2018.

Then, Ms. Maynard discussed technology use, citing that the rideRTC app was downloaded over 217,000 times. She noted that it is used primarily for General Market and local passes. The Ride On-Demand Pilot launched in February 2018 has had significant results and success. The RTC partnered with Lyft and Tango Car to provide same-day, on-demand trips for some of our paratransit, veteran, and certification clients. Since the launch, 208 customers have opted into the program. These customers have taken 16,598 trips on Lyft and Tango Car. The RTC has realized a cost savings of $320,031.00 or
52 percent. In addition to the cost savings, the customer feedback has been generally positive, giving users a freedom they did not have before.

Finally, Ms. Maynard updated the Board on Safety and Security statistics. She stated that passenger-on-operator assaults decreased 10 percent overall. Staff attributed much of this to an increase of security presence and continuous safety campaigns instituted by the contractors, MV Transportation and Keolis. However, passenger-on-passenger assaults increased by two incidents or 4.2 percent. Ms. Maynard emphasized the difficulty in predicting where and when an incident might occur. AlliedUniversal, the RTC’s security contractor, serves the RTC account with 177 security officers. The team places emphasis on assigning security officers to ride routes that have reported issues from both drivers and passengers. Ms. Maynard closed by describing the Transit Watch feature on the rideRTC app that allows to directly report any suspicious, non-emergency activity to RTC security. It was launched in November 2018 and has been downloaded 1,191 times. A total of 23 security-related incidents have been reported via the feature.

Vice-Chair Debra March commented on the decline of Strip revenue and its impact on the operating budget. She directed staff to continue to monitor the situation. Ms. Maynard concurred, saying that the RTC used to enjoy a $6 million profit from Strip revenue, which had steadily declined and was anticipated to zero out by next fiscal year.

Councilman Isaac Barron followed up with a question regarding the amount of congestion on the Strip since the introduction of transportation network companies (TNC). He questioned whether it was possible to track increases. Dr. Ohene responded that theoretically, it would be possible through a comparison of congestion trends; though changes may not be directly attributed to the TNCs. Councilman Barron asked if the TNCs provide relevant data on users and traffic. Dr. Ohene responded that TNCs are not required to report that information. He recounted how only a few cities have access to that data since TNCs typically do not provide it unless required to. Furthermore, regulations mandating that TNCs provide the information would need to be created at the state level.

Chair Brown inquired as to the frequency of service use by customers who underwent training at the RTC Mobility Training Center. Ms. Maynard responded that the RTC is set to launch a program that will track mobility-trained customer use via a card designed for that in addition to the follow-up interviews conducted by the mobility staff.

Chair Brown asked which specific fixed routes had experienced an increase in ridership. Ms. Maynard responded that the five fastest growing routes cover all the Las Vegas Valley and include: Route 122 – South Maryland Parkway/Horizon Ridge Parkway, Route 115 – Nellis Boulevard/Stephanie Street, Route 212 – Sunset Road, BHX – Boulder Highway Express, and Route 113 – Las Vegas Boulevard North.

**Motion:**
No motion was necessary.

**Vote/Summary:**
No vote was taken.

**Item:**
4. RECEIVE THE NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION DIRECTOR’S REPORT

**Comments:**
Dr. Fred Ohene, Deputy General Manager for the Regional Transportation Commission of Southern Nevada (RTC), introduced Ms. Tracy Larkin-Thomason, Nevada Department of Transportation
(NDOT), who would be presenting the NDOT Director’s Report on behalf of newly appointed Director, Ms. Kristina Swallow. Director Swallow was unable to attend due to weather-related travel delays.

Ms. Larkin-Thomason announced that the ribbon cutting for Project NEON would be held on May 16, 2019. She remarked that Project Neon is nearly complete, although she cautioned that there would be an uptick in construction activity for the next 45 days on the Charleston Boulevard interchange and Alta Drive slip ramp.

Next, Ms. Larkin-Thomason said that all of the NDOT project managers in Southern Nevada were relocated to offices in the RTC Administration Building in order to better facilitate the sharing of information between the two agencies. Lastly, she thanked the RTC for their help and support with the grant application for the Tropicana Boulevard interchange.

Mayor Carolyn Goodman thanked Ms. Larkin-Thomason for her report. She also thanked Mr. Rudy Malfabon, former Director of NDOT, for his work in Southern Nevada and wished him well.

Commissioner Jim Gibson inquired about an increase in traffic congestion at the Lake Mead Boulevard and the Clark County-215 Beltway ramp that resulted from the restriping performed by NDOT. Ms. Larkin-Thomason stated that NDOT was aware of the issue, but was still working on a solution. She will follow up once there is a plan.

**Motion:**

No motion was necessary.

**Vote/Summary:**

No vote was taken.

### CONSENT AGENDA (ITEMS 5 THROUGH 37)

All items marked with asterisks (**) are considered by the Regional Transportation Commission to be routine and may be acted upon in one motion. However, the Regional Transportation Commission may discuss any consent item individually if requested by a Commission member or a citizen when the consent agenda is considered for approval.

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18. **APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN SUPPLEMENTAL INTERLOCAL CONTRACT NO. 1 TO INCREASE FUNDING, EXTEND THE PROJECT COMPLETION DATE AND APPROVE A REVISED AUTHORIZATION TO PROCEED FOR CONSTRUCTION, ENGINEERING AND RIGHT-OF-WAY FROM MOTOR VEHICLE FUEL TAX FUNDS FOR CITY OF NORTH LAS VEGAS PROJECT 163B-MVFT; COMMERCE STREET, DUCHESS AVENUE TO CHEYENNE AVENUE (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)**

19. **APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN SUPPLEMENTAL INTERLOCAL CONTRACT NO. 1 TO EXTEND THE PROJECT COMPLETION DATE FOR CITY OF NORTH LAS VEGAS PROJECT 193A-MVFT; BROOKS AVENUE, NORTH FIFTH STREET TO MARTIN LUTHER KING BOULEVARD (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)**

20. **APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN SUPPLEMENTAL NO. 2 TO INCREASE TOTAL PROJECT FUNDING AND APPROVE AN AUTHORIZATION TO
PROCEED FROM FUEL REVENUE INDEXING DIRECT DISTRIBUTION FUNDS FOR CONSTRUCTION FOR CITY OF BOULDER CITY PROJECT 060AY-FTI; 2016-17 STREET RECONSTRUCTION (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

**21. RECEIVE A REPORT ON THE RECOMMENDATION FOR BEST BID FOR CONSTRUCTION FROM FUEL REVENUE INDEXING 1 FUNDS FOR CITY OF LAS VEGAS PROJECT 179A-FTI; 6TH STREET, BRIDGER AVENUE TO STEWART AVENUE (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

**22. RECEIVE NOTIFICATION THAT THE MONTHLY ENTITY PROJECT FINANCIAL AND STATUS REPORTS HAVE BEEN POSTED TO THE REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION OF SOUTHERN NEVADA WEBSITE (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

**23. RECEIVE NOTIFICATION THAT THE MONTHLY CAPITAL PROJECT TRACKING REPORT AND THE UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM PROJECT ACTIVITY STATUS REPORT HAVE BEEN POSTED TO THE RTC’S WEBSITE (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

**24. ADOPT NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (NDOT) 2019 SAFETY PERFORMANCE MEASURE TARGETS (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

**25. RECEIVE NOTIFICATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE MODIFICATIONS CLARK 19-04 AND 19-05 TO THE 2017-2040 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

**26. APPROVE AMENDMENT CLARK 19-06 TO THE 2017-2040 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

**27. APPROVE AMENDMENT NO. 03 TO CONTRACT NO. 17-002, HIGH CAPACITY TRANSIT PLAN, WITH NELSON:NYGAARD CONSULTING ASSOCIATES TO ADD $1,500,000.00 IN FUNDING TO THE CONTRACT, ADD ADDITIONAL SCOPE OF SERVICES, EXTEND THE CONTRACT END DATE FROM JUNE 30, 2019 TO JUNE 30, 2020; AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

**28. APPROVE AMENDMENT NO. 02 TO CONTRACT NO. 17-018A, RTC RIDE ON-DEMAND PILOT PROGRAM, WITH LYFT, INC. TO EXTEND THE TERM FOR AN ADDITIONAL 12 MONTHS, ADD $1,000,000.00, AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

**29. APPROVE AMENDMENT NO. 2 TO CONTRACT 17-045, ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENT AUDIT SERVICES, WITH CROWE HORWATH LLP TO INCREASE FUNDING BY $4,000.00, FOR A REVISED NOT-TO-EXCEED AMOUNT OF $90,966.00 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019, AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN THE AMENDMENT; OR TAKE OTHER ACTION AS DEEMED APPROPRIATE (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

**30. APPROVE THE AWARD OF BID NO. 17-050CON, INTEGRATED BUS MAINTENANCE FACILITY (IBMF) BUS WASH IMPROVEMENT PROJECT, TO THE LOWEST RESPONSIVE AND RESPONSIBLE BIDDER, SLETLEN CONSTRUCTION OF NEVADA, INC. (SLETLEN CONSTRUCTION), IN THE AMOUNT NOT-TO-EXCEED $4,114,426.00, AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN THE CONTRACT (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

**31. APPROVE THE AWARD OF BID NO. 18-041CON, SUNSET MAINTENANCE FACILITY (SMF) VACANT LOT CONSTRUCTION SERVICES, TO THE LOWEST RESPONSIVE AND RESPONSIBLE BIDDER, BALDWIN DEVELOPMENT, LLC DBA BALDWIN DEMOLITION IN THE AMOUNT NOT-TO-EXCEED $2,721,904.00, AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN THE CONTRACT (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

**32. APPROVE AMENDMENT NO. 01 TO CONTRACT 18-086, WAYCARE ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE SYSTEM FOR TRAFFIC SAFETY AND TRAFFIC FLOW
**33.** APPROVE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT 18-086IL (NDOT AGREEMENT NUMBER P073-19-016), WAYCARE ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE SYSTEM FOR TRAFFIC SAFETY AND TRAFFIC FLOW OPTIMIZATION, BETWEEN THE RTC AND THE STATE OF NEVADA, ACTING BY AND THROUGH ITS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (NDOT), IN THE NOT-TO-EXCEED AMOUNT OF $260,000.00 FOR THE PERIOD OF FEBRUARY 14, 2019 THROUGH MAY 31, 2020, WITH THREE ONE-YEAR RENEWAL OPTIONS, PURSUANT TO NEVADA REVISED STATUTE 277.180, AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN THE AGREEMENT OR TAKE OTHER ACTION AS DEEMED APPROPRIATE (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

**34.** RECEIVE A RECOMMENDATION FROM THE EVALUATION COMMITTEE TO SELECT AND AWARD CONTRACT NO. 19-011, STADIUM DISTRICT TRANSPORTATION PLAN, TO ATKINS NORTH AMERICA, INC. IN THE AMOUNT NOT-TO-EXCEED $179,836.40 FOR 12 MONTHS FROM NOTICE TO PROCEED, AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN THE CONTRACT; OR TAKE OTHER ACTION AS DEEMED APPROPRIATE (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

**35.** APPROVE AMENDMENT NO. 01 TO CONTRACT 19-020DS, LAS VEGAS BOULEVARD MAX STATIONS AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES IMPROVEMENTS DESIGN SERVICES, WITH CA GROUP, INC IN THE NOT-TO-EXCEED AMOUNT OF $5,500.00 FOR THE BASE TERM CONTRACT PERIOD, FOR A REVISED TOTAL NOT-TO-EXCEED BASE TERM CONTRACT AMOUNT OF $76,900.00, AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)


**37.** APPROVE THE DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION BUREAU OF AIR QUALITY PLANNING SUBGRANT AGREEMENT AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

Comments:
No comments were made.

Motion:
Vice-Chair Debra March made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda.

Vote/Summary:
7 Ayes. 0 Nays. The motion carried.
Ayes: Larry Brown, Isaac Barron, George Gault, Jim Gibson, Carolyn Goodman, Debra March, Rod Woodbury
Nays: None
Absent: Lois Tarkanian
### Item: 38. APPOINT THREE MEMBERS AND AN ALTERNATE TO THE RTC FINANCE COMMITTEE (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

**Comments:**
Chair Larry Brown stated that this item was to appoint three members and an alternate to the Regional Transportation Commission of Southern Nevada (RTC) Finance Committee. Dr. Fred Ohene, Deputy General Manager for the RTC, stated that the Finance Committee is assembled to review and provide input on the draft version of the RTC’s budget. The budget final draft will be brought to the RTC Board of Commissioners for review in April 2019.

Chair Brown and Vice-Chair Debra March volunteered to serve on the Finance Committee. Mayor Rod Woodbury accepted a nomination from Mayor Carolyn Goodman. Mayor Woodbury nominated Mayor Goodman to serve as the alternate.

**Motion:**
Commissioner Jim Gibson made a motion to appoint Chair Larry Brown, Vice-Chair Debra March, and Mayor Rod Woodbury as members, and Mayor Goodman as alternate to the Regional Transportation Commission of Southern Nevada Finance Committee.

**Vote/Summary:**
7 Ayes. 0 Nays. The motion carried.
Ayes: Larry Brown, Isaac Barron, George Gault, Jim Gibson, Carolyn Goodman, Debra March, Rod Woodbury
Nays: None
Absent: Lois Tarkanian

### Item: 39. RECEIVE INFORMATION FROM LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING POTENTIAL AND EXISTING LITIGATION INVOLVING A MATTER OVER WHICH THE RTC HAS SUPERVISION, CONTROL, JURISDICTION, OR ADVISORY POWER AND TO DELIBERATE TOWARD A DECISION ON THE MATTER (Note: This item may be closed to the public pursuant to Nevada Revised Statute 241.015(3)(b)(2) in order to discuss legal matters.) (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

**Comments:**
Dr. Fred Ohene, Deputy General Manager for the Regional Transportation Commission of Southern Nevada, remarked that there were not any issues to discuss under this item.

**Motion:**
No motion was necessary.

### Item: 47. CONDUCT A COMMENT PERIOD FOR CITIZENS PARTICIPATION: No action can be taken on any matter discussed under this item, although the Commission can direct that it be placed on a future agenda.

**Comments:**
Chair Larry Brown called on Ms. Aleta Dupree, who made the following comment:

_Aleta Dupree for the record. Thank you, again. Thank you to this Board for passing Item 28 in consent. I’m looking forward to the positive results of expanding the funding of this Lyft-based program. It’s my hope that we’ll move some of those dollars into the Veterans Medical Transportation Network, as currently that network is not generally able to schedule transportation for people if they call less than four business days out. So this should add something good to the mix. In looking again at the matters of revenue, of Strip versus General Market, I’m beginning to wonder and rethink about having this divide._
Perhaps a unified fair structure of which the minimum fair would be a timed pass rather than a single ride will bring more consistency and stability to the system, because this is a regional system in which all the parts come together as a whole. And I notice when I am out on the Strip, and I am one of those riders on the Strip who does not count in strip revenue because I am buying seven-, 15- and 30-day passes on the app. I’m not really seeing any activity on the strip as far as I can tell, as far as assisting our visitors to our town in using the app. So, we’re continuing to stuff the vending machines full of money, and generating more paper tickets. And then we have people who are trying to scan their paper tickets on the validators, on the front of the Strip and express bus. So, there is some education that we have to do. So, if we want to sell more passes, we have to make it easy for people to buy passes. Perhaps the hotels could sell passes and a person can get a day of all-access pass with their hotel reservation. 100,000 rooms filled a night, you could look at lots of day passes for our agency. So, with people using apps for TNC’s, how can we get them to use apps to do this and ride our buses because this bus service is essential for this town, both on the Strip and in the General Market. I can’t imagine 5th Avenue in New York City or Market Street in San Francisco being without buses, so we have to build this bus service on the Strip. So, these are the things that we have our work cut out for us as we prepare for the budget to continue to be innovative and embrace ideas, not because they are the latest and greatest, but because they can empower our system to be the best and most user-friendly and safest it can be. Thank you.

Chair Brown called on Mr. Stanley Washington, who made the following comment:
Hello everyone. Stanley Washington. It’s been a while since I’ve come before this Board here. I think the last I was around, Chairman Brown, was the big fight for the big bus contract back in the day. Thank you for … Anyway, it’s always a pleasure. I was looking for my good friend Ms. Quigley. I don’t see her. Is she somewhere close by? [Staff informed him that Ms. Tina Quigley, General Manager for the Regional Transportation Commission of Southern Nevada (RTC), was not present at the meeting.] She is out of town. That’s why I don’t see her. I’m losing my sight that’s why I thought I was really going blind. Anyway, I’m basically, um, keep up the good job, and since she is not here, that’s really what I was looking for. I’m making good progress on my appointments. Thank you.

Chair Brown called on Ms. Dorothy Barnes, who made the following comment:
Morning once again. Dorothy Barnes. I have a mailing address of P.O. Box 466, Las Vegas, NV. I’m here, once again, to address the lying that goes on on the bus system. And, I do understand why they’re lying, but it’s a dignified way of lying on me to keep my name on a program so they can rob me without a gun or knife. They called it stifening. Stifening is a dignified way of robbing a disabled, sickly, senior citizen of money, and I want my name off that kind of program. I keep coming before city council, as well as county commissioners. I’ve even contacted governor’s office and the police station. They tired of seeing me there, at Building 3, because I cannot get an appointment with Sheriff Lombardo to gain some control over the drug dealing that is done at my expense. My ex-husband flew in here, he is all a part of the drug dealing industry in Shreveport. And, I had a nephew that got shot to death at 19 over drugs, and a youngest brother who is ex-military police to get murdered in Shreveport over drugs. I’m just fed up, I’m tired of lies, and they may be lying to hurt me and discredit me so that they can get their way, but it don’t work with this 61-and-a-half year old woman. They can lie till they turn blue in the face. I will not take down for this lying game on the buses. I don’t care that I have to bed down on the buses cause I’m lied out of house and home. I lived in Henderson one year in Espinoza Terrace Senior Apartments. They said you won’t have a problem in Henderson. They don’t have a drug problem. They had seniors finding on me. Lying on me. People were getting pass keys, entering my apartment. I’m scared to live government apartments because my name is on a program where I’m continually victimized. I’m lied on. Stoled from. Cheated. Mistracted. Abused and this time out, when 2019 came in, auld Lang syne was sung with all his trouble on me again, and I do not want my name on this program.
They letting people out on Nellis that’s on drugs. They not gonna vote for my name to come off. They not gonna tell the truth cause they need me to pay for their drugs. They don’t want to go into a treatment center. I’m not here to be financing they drug operations, and the ones that don’t want to go into a treatment center, the police begging their families. You got to beg drug addicts to go into a drug treatment center? Well, I won’t beg them. They’re threatening my life so they can steal from me to pay for their drug habits. I don’t have a drug habit cause I don’t care to have to pay for it. Why should I support someone else’s? And they put people on the bus and steal from me and use the money to lie on me, especially at night on the Deuce on the Strip bus and the 109. They have, several ladies I know have stolen from me, and they call it stifening. And they have used the money to pay people to actually get on the bus and lie on me. And some of the buses smell real bad. I’m very sad that they making people homeless with these programs. Thank you.

Chair Brown called on Ms. Stephanie Vrsnick, who made the following comment:

Good morning commissioners. My name is Stephanie Vrsnick. I started coming to the RTC Commission meetings back in November of 2018 on behalf of my son. This is my 15th time that I am speaking in front of this commission. My message is the same. I’m asking this commission to restore the service area to the way it was back in 2011. I don’t understand why we can’t expand the service area which would give more access to individuals with disabilities so they can be more independent. We did it in 2011. When the peer review study was presented to this commission in October, I’ve been asking for their feedback and viewpoint. I still have not received an answer. Money was spent on this study that took six months to complete. What are we doing with the information? Have you read the study? As I previously stated, I don’t believe that the study addressed the unique needs of this growing community. I recently attended the National Council on Disabilities in Lake Las Vegas, which by the way was outside the service area, that limited many people with disabilities from attending. Mr. Dan Howland was on the transportation panel, and he said something very interesting that I would like to have clarified. He was telling the council that currently paratransit goes ¾ of a mile outside the fixed route service area, but he also said, we can certainly go outside it further than that if we want to. What does the “if we want to” mean? Does the RTC not want to? He also mentioned offering a premium service outside the service area. He said it has been done in other communities. I know people with no transportation in this community would be willing to entertain that option including myself. There should be options for people in this community. This commission needs to understand that the RTC is not meeting the needs of this community. Members of our community who are tax paying citizens and registered voters, like my son, has no transportation. If I’m not here to drive him to work, he would lose his job, a federal job that he has held for over 15 years, that he has worked so hard for. His benefits and retirement would go away. That’s not fair. He doesn’t deserve that. In closing, I would like to propose to this commission to consider moving Public Comment on non-agenda items to the beginning of the meeting. I feel this would give the opportunity for all commission members to hear public comment. Typically, by the time it comes to public comment, most members have left to attend other meetings and often only two or three members are left. I think it would give more respect to people in the community who want to speak about issues that are important to them. They take the time to come and speak and they deserve to be heard by all members.

Chair Brown called on Ms. Robin Kincaid, who made the following comment:

Good morning Commissioners. My name is Robin Kincaid and this is the 11th time that I’ve come before the commission. So, I come today to discuss some problems that persons with disabilities are having in accessing businesses outside the service area. There are countless parks, churches, restaurants, grocery stores, dry cleaners, schools, and hair salons that are not in the service area. My daughter, actually, we live in the service area. The problem is she should be able to access things outside of the service area. Some of these businesses have been around for over 15 years. So, what it
means to persons with disabilities is regardless, you know, if they live in the service area, they still can’t go to these locations. Another example is Leavitt Middle School. This is a well-established area in the northwest. Some of you may be very familiar with that area, but it’s still not part of the service area. So, if a person with a disability has a child that attends Lovett Middle School, you know, they can’t even, um, go to that school for a parent-teacher conference. That school was built in 2001, 18 years ago, that school was established in that area. This is not a rural area that we’re asking for the service area to expand to. So, I’ve asked the council in previous comment periods in the past for information for how the service area is established, and what is the process to expand the fixed-route area. You know, I still don’t have that information. You know, I really, please again, we’re asking, I guess maybe at this point we’re begging for information, for the sake of transparency, accountability, and openness. It is a reasonable request. Previously, in public comment periods we’ve requested that we create a premium-priced area to cover the gaps and the fingers that are not in the service area. So, at least there would be some type of service for a person with disability to access the much-needed service. So, I’m requesting that this concern be placed on the March agenda, so that the discussion could occur and we could begin to address the transportation needs in these areas where there are houses 100 feet away from each other and people find themselves either in the service area or having access to transportation in the service area and others are not. I’m also asking for a progress report on the RTC’s actions that were taken since the 2018 federal transportation audit. If you’re new to the commission, maybe you’re not as familiar with the audit, but there was an audit with findings and we’re asking for an updated progress report on these deficiency findings and the corrective action plans that have been created. We’re asking if this update can occur on the March agenda, and so that the public can be informed of the progress on correcting these deficiencies. In conclusion, we have a significant amount of work to do in order to begin to meet the needs, or the transportation needs in particular, for persons with disabilities. Please begin the 2019 year working as a team to problem solve these issues and be a responsive commission to your constituents. Thank you.

**Motion:**
No motion was necessary.

**Vote/Summary:**
No vote was taken.

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**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 10:14 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marin DuBois, Recording Secretary

Marek Biernacinski, Transcription Secretary
SUPERSTAR OF THE QUARTER

Eric Scham
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MARYLAND PARKWAY
JOIN US

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*Facebook Live session

NEXT STEPS

- Public Comment Period (Feb. 4 – March 7)
- Review community input & present to RTC Board
- RTC Board adopts Locally Preferred Alternative
- Pursue federal funding opportunities
- Begin preliminary engineering
- Begin corridor enhancements
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State of the System Update

Fixed Route Ridership

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+2.5%                   +4.1%

-4.1%
### Fixed Route Revenue

- **Total Revenue**
  - Jul.-Dec. 2018: $32,637,278
  - **Change:** $32,709,505 to $32,637,278 (-0.2%)

- **Strip**
  - Jul.-Dec. 2018: $9,070,048
  - **Change:** $9,791,434 to $9,070,048 (-7.4%)

- **General Market**
  - Jul.-Dec. 2017: $22,918,071
  - **Change:** $22,918,071 to $23,567,230 (+2.8%)

### Strip Revenue

- **Strip Revenue**
  - Nov. 2017 - Dec. 2018: $17,979,036
  - **Change:**
Fixed Route On-Time Performance (OTP)

- Jul.-Dec. 2017: 86.2%
- Jul.-Dec. 2018: 85.9%

- Change: -0.3%

Fixed Route Road Calls & Summer Heat Performance

- Total Road Calls:
  - Jul.-Dec. 2017: 609
  - Change: +3.9%

- Heat-Related Shutdowns:
  - Jul.-Dec. 2017: 146
  - Change: -9.6%
Transit Amenities

- Total stops: 3,337
- Stops five feet or more from the curb: 1,287
- Submitted five bus stop lighting packages for bids
- Spent 1,897 hours performing 26,656 bus stop inspections

Transit Amenities Advertising Revenue

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**Paratransit Trips**

- **Total Trips**
  - Jul.-Dec. 2018: 613,029
  - Increase: +1.3%

**Paratransit On-Time Performance (OTP)**

- **On-Time Performance**
  - Jul-Dec 2017: 93.8%
  - Jul-Dec 2018: 94.0%
  - Increase: +0.2%
Senior Transportation Trips

- Jul.-Dec. 2018: 30,318

Increase: +4.1%

Veterans Medical Transportation Network (VMTN) Trips

- Jul.-Dec. 2017: 18,586
- Jul.-Dec. 2018: 14,448

Decrease: -22.3%
Mobility Trained Customers

- Jul.-Dec. 2018: 567

+32.5%

Technology Use

- App Downloads: 217,000+
- Passes Sold: 500,000+
Ride On-Demand Pilot

- Clients: 208
- Trips: 16,598
- Cost Savings: $320,031 or 52%
- Pilot Cost Per Ride: $17.94

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SAFETY & SECURITY UPDATES
**Passenger-on-Operator Assaults**

- Jul.-Dec. 2018: 18

\[ -10.0\% \]

**Passenger-on-Passenger Assaults**

- Jul.-Dec. 2018: 50

\[ +4.2\% \]