



# Office of the City Manager

## MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** February 3, 2020  
**TO:** Mayor and City Council  
**THRU:** Sabra Newby, City Manager *SN*  
**FROM:** John Flansberg, P.E., Director of Public Works *JF*  
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**SUBJECT:** **February 12, 2020 Council Agenda Item D.4: Presentation by the Regional Transportation Commission on the process for development of the 2050 Regional Transportation Plan with discussion and possible requests to be included in the plan.**

The Regional Transportation Commission is kicking off the update of the Regional Transportation Plan and will be presenting the public outreach efforts and process for developing the plan at your February 12, 2020 Council meeting. The purpose of this memorandum is to provide staff recommendations for your consideration as possible requests to be included in the 2050 Regional Transportation Plan. It is also to encourage you to think of other items that you may want considered as Reno continues to grow.

The Reno City Council will have other opportunities to provide input throughout the next several months and a draft plan is expected to be available for review in Fall 2020 with adoption of a final plan by May 2021.

Staff recommendations for your consideration:

- Review Regional Road Impact Fees in the Downtown and Urban Corridors, and pursue reduced impact fees tied to proximity to transit services, and potentially for affordable housing in certain locations.
- Prepare a Downtown Reno circulation study and plan for priority projects that may be identified in the study. The study should seek to increase roadway capacity and enhance multi-modal circulation.
- Evaluate parking improvements for infill development areas such as Midtown, similar to the park and ride facilities in the suburbs. This would provide convenient parking in proximity to rapid transit services.
- Addition of Neighborhood Collector classification to the Regional Significant Roadway list for future inclusion in RTC funding for preventative maintenance and rehabilitation.
- Include funding for traffic signal reconstruction in annual programming of preventative maintenance and rehabilitation.

- Inclusion of Reno bicycle / pedestrian path plan into regional bicycle / pedestrian plan once completed and approved by City Council.
- Addition of projects to be considered for funding in future years to include:
  - RTC University Area Transportation Study improvement projects
  - South Meadows Multimodal Transportation Study improvement projects
  - Old Virginia Street from northern terminus to Cold Springs
  - Reno Stead Airport Industrial Development roadway network
  - Pembroke and Mira Loma capacity improvements between McCarran and Veterans Parkway
  - Verdi area capacity improvements tied to planned development
  - South Meadows Parkway extension to Tahoe Regional Industrial Center

For your information, the current 2040 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) was based on four guiding principles as condensed from community input which included:

- Safe and healthy communities
- Economic development and diversification
- Sustainability
- Increased travel choices

The goals of the 2040 RTP included:

- Improve safety
  - Integrate land-use and economic development
  - Promote healthy communities and sustainability
  - Manage existing systems efficiently
  - Integrate all types of transportation
  - Focus on regional connectivity
  - Promote equity and environmental justice
  - Improve freight and goods movement
  - Invest strategically
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