

CARSON CITY REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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A regular meeting of the Carson City Regional Transportation Commission was held on Wednesday, June 18, 1997 in the Administrative Complex Conference Room #59, 2621 Northgate Lane, Carson City, NV at 3:30 p.m.

PRESENT: Chairperson Greg Smith
Marie Wolf

STAFF: John Berkich, City Manager

Dorothy Timian-Palmer, Utilities Director
Tim Homann, Deputy Public Works Director
Harvey Brotzman, Senior Engineer - RTC
Fran Smith, Recording Secretary
(RTC 6/18/97 1-0000.5)

NOTE - Unless otherwise indicated each item was introduced by Chairperson Smith. Individuals speaking are identified following the heading of each item. A tape recording of these proceedings is on file in the Clerk-Recorder's office. This tape is available for review and inspection during normal business hours.

A. CALL TO ORDER - Chairperson Smith called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m. A roll call was taken and a quorum was present although Commissioner Tatro was absent.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - None.

2. CITIZENS COMMENTS OF NON AGENDIZED ITEMS - None.

3. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON SELECTING THE SOUND WALL TYPE FROM U.S. 50 TO NYE LANE - (1-0025.5) Mr. Brotzman stated that SEA Engineers had been hired to do preliminary evaluation of sound walls. He added one of the items was installation on the Graves Lane extension from U.S. 50 East to Airport. Photos of the types of walls had been included in the packet. He referred to the type shown as #8 in one of the photos and indicated it was the desired product. He described the materials and also talked about the anticipated size. Discussion ensued on the styles and colors during which Commissioner Wolf emphasized her feeling that the wall chosen should be uniform in color and style to those which already exist. Mr. Berkich talked about a wall he passes daily and expressed his feeling that those standards are something that should be studied. Citizen Ron Ruffo talked about a product he knew of that includes styrofoam blocks and explained how it can be used. Mr. Homann said he liked the idea of variety and felt that this can be worked out with Community Development when new subdivisions come in. Commissioner Wolf reiterated her belief there should be continuity. Chairperson Smith said perhaps a developer would want a particular theme using walls that would not complement others in the community. He also asked about the \$795,000 estimated cost and noted that the staff report did not reflect a fiscal impact. Mr. Brotzman explained it is already in the budget that was approved and staff had assumed the prices of all the wall styles were approximately the same. Chairperson Smith said he personally liked the style discussed earlier and said he would like to see it go forward as it pertains to the rest of the community. Mr. Homann said as they get into the transportation Master Plan update there would be discussions. Chairperson Smith suggested not taking action on this until the next meeting. He explained this would give Mr. Ruffo an opportunity to meet with staff to discuss the wall he talked about earlier. Mr. Homann and Mr. Brotzman agreed that was a good idea. No formal action was taken.

4. DISCUSSION ON THE INTERSECTION OF CLEARVIEW DRIVE AND EDMONDS DRIVE - (1-0769.5) Guy Light - Dave Morgan - Bill Callahan, Chief Deputy Sheriff - Mr. Brotzman stated staff had recently completed a stop sign warrant study. He said a study had been done in 1995 but, because of the recent accident, it had been revisited. An extensive discussion ensued which included other reported accidents, number of vehicles traveling the area, their speed, poles with a flashing lights alerting drivers to an upcoming stop, four-way vs. two-way stop signs, rumble strips, berms, sight problems with the intersection, etc. During the discussion Mr. Light talked about the problems at his property caused by the recent accident. This included a fire which he

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helped put out and the number of trees he had lost as a result. Mr. Morgan also commented on the sight distance problem. At this point Chairperson Smith asked for a ballpark figure for installing the flashing "Stop Ahead" sign, the rumbles, and the flashing red stop sign eastbound on Clearview. Mr. Brotzman estimated it would be \$5,000 - \$6,000 and Mr. Homann said this would probably come from the Street Maintenance budget. At this point Chairperson Smith asked Mr. Callahan for input from the Sheriff's Department. Mr. Callahan said he had been at the meeting to see what the endeavors the Commission was making in an attempt to alleviate the problem and said he supported the remedies that had been suggested. He also mentioned the actions the Sheriff's Department had been taking in response to calls they have been receiving from the public regarding the problem. Jim Gallegos of NDOT noted the comments from his staff on having notice of "Intersection Ahead" on Edmonds. He said these would alert some of the speeders. Ms. Timian-Palmer asked about a timetable for installing the rumbles, flashing signs, and advance notice of intersection. Mr. Brotzman explained the process and said it should take 60 - 90 days. No formal action was taken.

5. DISCUSSION ON THE INTERSECTION OF 10TH AND CURRY STREETS - (1-2378.5) Mr. Brotzman said the report is not yet complete and that information is still coming in. He added that preliminary evaluations suggest it does not meet any warrant for a four-way stop. He added that an observation from 7:15 to 8:15 a.m. showed that 32 percent of the people did not stop for the two-way. He added that 12:00 noon to 1:00 p.m. showed 21 percent did the same thing. Mr. Homann commented that these are rolling stops rather than not stopping. He felt that the bigger problem at that intersection is sight distance. He talked about the work that needs to be done to eliminate the problem and discussion ensued on the details. No formal action was taken.

6. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS - (1-2554.5) Commissioner Wolf emphasized her extreme concern with the work Arizona Pipeline has been doing for Southwest Gas in the community. She felt that the City has to do something about their performance. She cited an example of the metal plates at 10th and Curry. Chairperson Smith said he had heard from many people that when Arizona Pipeline does a project in the community it is not up to standard. Mr. Homann said staff had met with Arizona Pipeline and Southwest Gas to review the details. He added that Southwest Gas asked that every complaint Mr. Homann's department receives be sent to them. Ms. Timian-Palmer said she had done a stop work on a couple of the projects they were doing. Commissioner Wolf reiterated her dissatisfaction and said the citizens of the community deserve better than what they are getting. Ms. Timian-Palmer said they will be here for a long time and that she had a map of their plans which she could bring it to the next meeting. Chairperson Smith suggested inviting representatives from Arizona Pipeline and Southwest Gas to the meeting.

(1-2955.5) At this point Commissioner Wolf talked about a restriction on the tonnage of trucks traversing the Ash Canyon area. She felt that a limit should be placed on them. Ms. Timian-Palmer felt there will continue to be a lot of trucks because they deliver rock for landscaping because there are still a lot of homes being built in the area. Discussion ensued that those streets that are considered collectors and that the trucks cannot be prohibited from using them.

7. STAFF COMMENTS - (1-3209.5) Mr. Brotzman said the Board of Supervisors was set to award the contracts for the signals at Goni and College and Roop and College at their meeting June 19. He added that \$287,000 was the approximate cost and \$300,000 had been budgeted. He also stated that bids on the Goni Road extension from Arrowhead to Hot Springs would be opened on June 19 and will go to the Board 7-3.

8. FUTURE MEETING DATE - Mr. Brotzman said the next meeting would be July 16 at 3:30 p.m. and that Commissioner Tatro had previously said he would not be at that meeting.

9. ADJOURNMENT - There being no further business Chairperson Smith entertained a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Wolf moved to adjourn. Chairperson Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0. Chairperson Smith adjourned the meeting at 5:00 p.m.

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Greg Smith, Chairperson