

MEETING MINUTES
COALITION BOARD

SOUTHERN NEVADA REGIONAL PLANNING COALITION

February 22, 2022

In attendance: Commissioner Justin Jones, Chair, Clark County
Councilman Brian Knudsen, Vice Chair, City of Las Vegas
Councilman Scott Black, City of North Las Vegas
Councilwoman Claudia Bridges, City of Boulder City (Via Zoom)
Councilwoman Olivia Diaz, City of Las Vegas
Councilman Dan H. Stewart, City of Henderson (Arrived at 4:08 p.m.)
Trustee Katie Williams, Clark County School District

Absent: Councilman Dan Shaw, City of Henderson
Councilman Richard Cherchio, City of North Las Vegas

Agenda Item 1. Call to Order; notice of agenda conformance with Nevada Open Meeting Law Requirements

The meeting of the Southern Nevada Regional Planning Coalition Board was called to order by Commissioner Jones of Clark County at 4:05 P.M., on Tuesday, February 22, 2022, in the Clark County Commission Chambers at 500 Grand Central South, Las Vegas, Nevada 89155.

Agenda Item 2. Roll Call

Members of the SNRPC Coalition Board, as listed above, were present at the time of roll call, with the exception of Councilman Dan Shaw, City of Henderson and Councilman Richard Cherchio, City of North Las Vegas. Councilman Stewart arrived at 4:08 p.m.

Agenda Item 3. Public Comment

No public comment was made.

Agenda Item 4. Approval of the Agenda for February 22, 2022

A motion was made by Councilman Knudsen to approve the agenda for the February 22, 2022, meeting approved unanimously.

Agenda Item 5. Approval of the Minutes for the September 28, 2021 meeting.

A motion was made by Councilman Knudsen to approve the minutes for the September 28, 2021, meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilman Knudsen and was approved unanimously.

Agenda Item 6. Consent Item(s):

- a. Receive and accept the 2021 Consensus Estimates.**
- b. Approve the SNRPC Master Meeting Schedule for 2022.**

A motion was made by Councilman Black to receive and accept the 2021 Consensus Estimates and approve the SNRPC Master Meeting Schedule for 2022. The motion was approved unanimously.

Agenda Item 7. Discussion regarding transfer of certain functions of the SNRPC to the Regional Transportation Commission of Southern Nevada (RTC); and direct staff accordingly.

Mario Bermudez with Clark County gave an update regarding the transfer of duties from SNRPC to RTC. On July 1, 2022, the duties that will be transferred to RTC are the Regional Open Space and Trails coordination, the CBER population forecast coordination, and the conformity review of master plans. RTC and SNRPC have agreed upon the following: the transfer of the financial obligation will occur on July 1, 2022; at the conclusion of SNRPC contract with Get Outdoors Nevada, RTC will take over the responsibility of that contract for the Regional Open Space and Trails program. If there is residual SNRPC funding remaining, upon request from the RTC, monies will be transferred to RTC. The number of updates to the SNRPC from the ROST group will be reduced to one time per year. SNRPC will continue to be the custodian for the population forecast report, but RTC will take over SNRPC's funding portion of that project. Due to CBER falling under SNRPC purview, the SNRPC Board will have to meet at least once to accept the report. Regarding the Southern Nevada Strong conformity plan review, RTC currently does this process and will continue to do so.

Councilman Stewart asked what the SNRPC body has left to do.

Mario Bermudez said that the SNRPC board would need to accept the population estimates, forecast, a budget, and a presentation from ROST. This can be done once a year.

Councilman Stewart asked if it was the intent the board would continue with SNRPC to do those things and then eventually fold into somewhere else.

Commissioner Jones understands in that the discussions they've had over the last year, SNRPC would roll as many of the functions over to the RTC as possible. There are some statutory items going to the 2023 legislative session and finalize whatever they decide on.

Agenda Item 8. Receive a progress report from the Regional Trails and Open Space Workgroup.

Johanna Murphy with the City of North Las Vegas and the Chair of the Regional Open Space and Trails Working Group and Rachel Bergren the Executive Director of Get Outdoors Nevada gave a brief update and presentation on the ROST activities from over the past 6 months.

Rachel Bergren stated that they have held meetings over the past year with great attendance. A few projects are Get Outdoors Nevada Trails Volunteer Program which is coordinated with the jurisdictions. There have been over 85 events this past year and accounting for over 5,500 volunteer service hours which is up from the past year and equates to \$158,000 of volunteer service hours. Another project that they learned about and started to collaborate on is the Sun Corridor Trail project. A group of counties in Arizona reached out to the ROST group. The vision of this project is to connect the trails from Douglas, Arizona to the Las Vegas Valley Loop Trail. The Sun Corridor Trail is just starting and putting everything into alignment. ROST sees the value in this project, and it would provide for Southern Nevada.

The next thing for ROST of importance is updating material and maps, update the Neon to Nature app, updating the public lands of Southern Nevada map, Neon to Nature trail map, and discussion about the River Mountain Loop Trail map needing updates due to improvements. Recently, they have reconstituted a working group for the Vegas Valley Rim Trail in response to outreach from colleagues at Clark County coordinating projects that could be facilitated through funding through the AB84 conserve Nevada bonds program.

Councilman Knudsen asked if they could outline how many employees they have and key projects they are working on outside of ROST.

Rachel Bergren stated they are a staff of 15 and are not all full-time, 11 are full-time employees, a couple part-time employees, and a few term employees through some grants. Rachel Bergren has been with the organization for a year. Some of the projects they are working on outside of ROST are education programs. They are partnering very closely with Clark County on the Mojave Max program for the past 5 years and hope to extend that agreement, and they have the next generation science standard program they offer to CCSD schools, but not exclusively. This is to support high quality science education, teaching and learning in the classroom, and more information can be found on their website. They have a Nature Mojave program and education curriculum program they offer that is in partnership with the Clark County Park District, other park districts, and the library system. Lastly, they have partnered with the district libraries to hand out Nevada nature kits that are grant funded and free of charge.

Commissioner Jones and Councilman Knudsen thanked ROST for their services to the community.

Agenda Item 9. Adopt the Proposed FY 2022-2023 Budget

Mario Bermudez with Clark County present the proposed fiscal year 2022-2023 budget. There are no work items as a result of the duties transferred from SNRPC to RTC. Any monies that are in the current budget will go towards current project that SNRPC has and will be transferred to

RTC upon request. The administrative items such as the Secretary and the hosting of the website - Clark County provides the Secretarial support and they have agreed to absorb those monies into the everyday budget as well as the City of Henderson has agreed to absorb the website hosting in their budget. As a result, there is no revenue, no expense, and zero balance. The fund will remain open in case the Board decides there is a program that needs to be funded and would like to undertake.

A motion was made by Councilman Stewart to approve the budget. The motion was approved unanimously.

Agenda Item 10. Elect the SNRPC Board Chair and Vice Chair for the 2022 Calendar Year.

Commissioner Jones nominated Councilman Knudsen for Vice-Chair of SNRPC.

Councilman Knudsen nominated Commissioner Jones for Chair of SNRPC.

A motion was made by Councilman Stewart for Commissioner Jones to Chair and Councilman Knudsen to Vice Chair the SNRPC Board. The motion was approved unanimously.

Agenda item 11. Public Comment. Public comment during this portion of the agenda must be limited to matters within the jurisdiction of the Board. No subject may be acted upon by the Commission that subject is on the agenda and is scheduled for action.

No citizens participation occurred.

Agenda Item 8. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:28 P.M.