

Vision Zero Truckee Meadows Task Force
Meeting Summary
Thursday, April 9 2020 at 3:00 p.m.
(WebEx meeting)

The VZTM Meeting began at 3:02 p.m.

Welcome/Introductions

Rebecca Kapuler, RTC, welcomed the VZTM Task Force and guests.

Task Force present: Albert Jacquez, NDOT, Daniel Doenges, RTC, Kurt Dietrich, City of Reno, Rebecca Kapuler, RTC, James Weston, RTC, Nancy Mues, RTC, Michael Moreno, RTC, Jillian Keller, Reno Bike Project, Lt. Scott Shaw, RPD, Jennifer Meyers, RTC, Juan Balbuena, FHWA, Katy Metz, Renown, Jake Waclaw, FHWA, Officer MJ Cloud, WCSD SRTS, Erin Breen, UNLV, Michael Cook, National Highway Safety Traffic, Amber Sosa, City of Sparks, Mike Klos, FHWA District, Rita, FHWA District, Dr. Hao, UNR, Ariana Renick, Lauren Ball, RTC, Amy Cummings, RTC

Guests present: Kim Eldridge, public

Business:

Minutes from February, 2020 meeting:

- The February VZTM Task Force meeting minutes will be available on Facebook.

RTC COVID-19 Update from the RTC Staff

- Michael Moreno, RTC gave an RTC COVID19 update on the RTC's safety implemented measures for transit. RTC and Keolis are working together to help maintain the six feet social distancing guidelines on the transit stations and buses. Designated bus seats have been marked with an X to have distancing for the safety of passengers and drivers. RTC has directed to use face covering for creating a safe work environment. Guidelines and alerts for trip information is on our website. Michael informed of the decline in ridership which, ranges from 50% to 60%. Jennifer expressed the transit service is not being reduced at this time. Michael stated under the direction of the Governor the public transit service is essential as the cities rely on the public transit systems. He also stated the current Virginia Street construction projects are continued to be in progress under direction of the Governor.

2050 RTP

- Dan Doenges, RTC gave updates on the existing condition of the 2050 Regional Transportation Plan. He stated the adoptive VZTM Action Plan will be incorporated into the RTP Safety Round Table for input from the VZTM Task Force. Dan gave the link to the survey: <https://rtp2050.metroquest.com/>. The survey is open until April 30th for continued input on the regions vision and to provide an update to the RTP process. He stated a draft 2050 RTP will be adopted in May of 2021 and feedback/questions are welcomed to engage the public and partners in participation of the 2050 RTP

survey for a vision on the future of transportation in our community. Rebecca stated safety for the 2050 RTP is important for the community. Dan stated data is being gathered/formed for the safety issues/components and subcommittees to take action on the 2050 RTP safety goal.

Graphics to Highlight Parking 20ft Away from Crosswalks

- Albert Jacquez, NDOT updated the VZTM Task Force on Bicycle and Pedestrian Education and is working on creating graphics for schools to highlight the state mandates on parking 20 feet from crosswalks for visibility of the pedestrians especially at the schools. Rebecca stated a walking Wednesdays event and a slogan is being created “April miles bring May Smiles” for social distancing guidelines, for more information check the social media, NDOT’s website, Facebook and Twitter.

FARS Report and Discussion Pertaining to Trends/Data During Governor’s Self-Quarantine Order

- Lt. Scott Shaw briefed the VZTM TF of the traffic crashes and pedestrians involved with less congestion and with fewer people on the streets. He stated Carson City is more active at this time.
- Dan stated in this isolation phase the task force is capturing the trends, data RTC and UNR is partnering in a pilot project for health on a transportation perspective for quantifying data and input is being requested from the VZTM TF and asked the the task force contact Rebecca for further input. Dr. Hoa gave an idea of a Reno ped/crossings study from home bike ped crossings of each day distance activity.
- Officer MJ Cloud gave an update on the schools calls which, at this time are only for service on vandalism. She stated the public are not allowed at the schools right now and activity is very quiet. She informed the plans for Senior Students is being discussed.
- Erin gave updates to the Las Vegas area on pedestrian fatal crashes and current data on their ridership of 50% and 88%. She stated everything is very quiet and she informed of a bike/ped webinar on walking/biking software for pedestrian crossings and flashers/lights:
 - <https://usa.streetsblog.org/2020/03/30/as-roads-empty-to-covid-19-drivers-who-remain-are-speeding-up-heres-how-to-slow-them-down/>
 - <https://www.popularmechanics.com/science/a32006274/recycled-tire-pavement/>

Upcoming webinars

- Rebecca gave links and information on the upcoming webinars:
 - <https://visionzeronetwork.org/event/understanding-safe-systems-as-the-foundation-of-vision-zero/>
 - <https://visionzeronetwork.org/event/words-matter-webinar-on-effective-vision-zero-messaging/>

Action Plan Items:

- **Pedestrian Court Class updated**
Lt. Shaw, RPD discussed the potential of mandatory pedestrian court classes. He stated RPD met with Reno City Attorney Carl Hall to discuss the potential pilot program of mandatory court classes/cases for thoughts and ideas to the courts. This item is on hold and will be a future agenda item. If successful the

RPD will go to the City of Reno and Washoe County for funding. Lt. Shaw thanked Erin and Rebecca and Lauren on the VZTM Task Force for their input to the program.

Other items/future agenda items:

- Rebecca informed of the Pedestrian Safety Zone with NDOT is on hold. NDOT is in coordination with the police department for the 1st Pedestrian Safety Zone.
- Jillian Keller announced Reno Bike Project has a walk-up shop for customers, with the COVID-19 guidelines of conducting business.
- The new RTC Executive Director, Bill Thomas started working with the RTC on Monday, April 13, 2020.
- Agenda item on HELLO project presentation
- Agenda item on Pedestrian Court Classes
- Agenda item request from Dr. Hoa on guidance and practices on a summary along the road for sharing data

Next Meeting:

- June 11, 2020: Location TBD

The meeting ended at 4:30 p.m.