regular meeting of the Carson Area Metropolitan Planning Organization was scheduled for 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, December 10, 2008 in the Community Center Sierra Room, 851 East William Street, Carson City, Nevada.

PRESENT: Chairperson Shelly Aldean
Vice Chairperson Russell Carpenter
Charles DesJardins
Paul Esswein
Jeff Foltz
Larry Hastings
Dennis Taylor

STAFF: Andrew Burnham, Public Works Department Director
Patrick Pittenger, Transportation Manager
Dan Doenges, Transportation Planner
Keith Pearson, Transit Coordinator
Joel Benton, Senior Deputy District Attorney
Kathleen King, Recording Secretary

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A. ROLL CALL AND DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM (5:29:25) - Chairperson Aldean called the meeting to order at 5:29 p.m. Roll was called; a quorum was present. Member Staub was absent. Member Foltz arrived after roll call, and Chairperson Aldean welcomed him. Member Foltz acknowledged he is one of two Douglas County alternates to the CAMPO; Mahmood Azad is the other.

B. ACTION ON APPROVAL OF MINUTES - October 8, 2008 (5:30:34) - Member DesJardins moved to approve the minutes, as presented. Member Esswein seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0-1, Vice Chairperson Carpenter abstaining.

C. MODIFICATION OF AGENDA (5:31:02) - None.

D. PUBLIC COMMENT (5:31:09) - None.

E. DISCLOSURES (5:31:35) - None.

F. PUBLIC MEETING ITEMS:

F-1. ACTION TO PRIORITIZE TRANSPORTATION ENHANCEMENT APPLICATIONS RECEIVED BY THE CARSON AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION ("CAMPO"), AS RECOMMENDED BY STAFF (5:31:45) - Chairperson Aldean introduced this item, and Mr. Pittenger reviewed the agenda report and materials. He noted staff's recommendation to approve the three applications in the priority order delineated in the agenda report. He further noted that the bicycle and pedestrian projects are consistent with the regional transportation plan and in cooperation with the Safe

Routes to School program. He advised of having been informed that approximately $10 million in additional funding was available for the transportation enhancement program.

In response to a question, Mr. Pittenger advised that the Railroad Museum had received transportation enhancement funds during the last two cycles. He acknowledged there was no penalty to the Railroad Museum for "being proactive." He explained that the North Roop Street bike lanes and pathways improvement project was first presented to the Regional Transportation Commission four years ago. He further explained that the GROW project is more likely to be funded and also combined with a community match project.

(5:36:46) NDOT Project Manager Leif Anderson advised that the available transportation enhancement funding amounts are similar. "... the last go-around, we had to reduce the total amount because we had cost overruns on previous projects." Mr. Anderson advised that the transportation bill expires at the end of the federal fiscal year in September 2009. He anticipates that the program will continue. In response to a question, he advised that the subject funding cycle is earmarked for 2010 / 2011, and expressed the hope that "by then, we would have a bill." He further advised that the "federal trust fund is gone for all intents and purposes." Chairperson Aldean discussed the benefits of the transportation bill to fund projects which stimulate the economy, and Member DesJardins agreed.

In response to a question, Member Taylor advised of having been recently informed of the probability of an economic stimulus package. At that time, NDOT staff developed a statewide list of projects which could possibly be advertised and awarded within 120 days. NDOT staff is in the process of checking with various in-house divisions to "identify any shortcomings in those projects that would ... prevent them from being advertised within 120 days." Member Taylor advised that the project list will not be submitted until such time as additional direction is received regarding the timing and amount of the stimulus package.

Chairperson Aldean thanked Member Taylor and Mr. Anderson for the information, and entertained additional CAMPO member questions or comments. When none were forthcoming, she opened this item to public comment. (5:42:35) Mary Fischer, of GROW, expressed appreciation for the priority assigned to the Highway 50 East / Carson City freeway interchange landscape project application. She advised that no additional landscaping can be done without the transportation enhancement funding. She noted the importance of landscaping the subject interchange as "one of the gateways into the City." She discussed the potential of the project receiving community match program funding. She thanked the CAMPO for their support. Chairperson Aldean expressed appreciation for the dedication and persistence of GROW representatives.

Chairperson Aldean called for additional public comment and, when none was forthcoming, entertained a motion. **Member Hastings moved to prioritize the transportation enhancement applications received by CAMPO, as recommended by staff: (1) North Roop Street bike lanes and pathways improvement project; (2) U.S. Highway 50 East / Carson City freeway interchange landscape project; and (3) McKeen Motor Car storage and interpretive facility. Member DesJardins seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.**

F-2. ACTION TO APPROVE FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION 5307 PROGRAM FUNDS AGREEMENT AMENDMENT NO. 2 PROVIDING AN EXTENSION FOR THE AVAILABILITY OF FEDERAL FUNDS (5:44:50) - Chairperson Aldean introduced this item, and Mr. Pearson reviewed the agenda report. Chairperson Aldean called for comments or questions and, when none were forthcoming, entertained a motion. **Member DesJardins moved to approve the Federal Transit Administration 5307 Program Funds Agreement, Amendment Number 2, providing an extension for the availability of federal funds; fiscal impact $450,000 of available funds. Member Hastings seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.**

F-3. UPDATE ON THE PROGRESS OF THE CAMPO SHORT-RANGE TRANSIT DEVELOPMENT PLAN ("TDP") (5:46:11) - Chairperson Aldean introduced this item, and commended Mr. Pittenger and Mr. Doenges on their recent certifications as professional transportation planners by the Institute of Transportation Engineers. Mr. Doenges provided background information on this item, and reviewed the agenda report and the attachments.

In reference to JAC routes 2-A and 3-B, Chairperson Aldean inquired as to increasing ridership by WNC students. Mr. Doenges advised of having received comments from WNC representatives. Since many WNC classes last later than the JAC service hours, many students are unable to utilize the service. Mr. Doenges advised that consideration is being given to expanding service hours.

Chairperson Aldean expressed the opinion that the JAC transit system is a success. In response to a question, Mr. Doenges advised of having spoken with several of the transit administrators listed in table A, included in the agenda materials, to acquire demographic data. He offered to inquire of the transit administrators regarding their marketing techniques. Chairperson Aldean thanked Mr. Doenges for his presentation.

G. INTERNAL COMMUNICATIONS AND ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

G-1. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS (6:00:49) - Mr. Pittenger advised that election of officers would be agendized for the next meeting. In reference to a previous discussion, Chairperson Aldean requested Mr. Pittenger to agendize discussion regarding the possibility of another CAMPO member serving in the capacity of chair.

H. ACTION ON ADJOURNMENT (6:03:02) - Member Hastings moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:03 p.m. Member DesJardins seconded the motion. Chairperson Aldean wished the CAMPO members a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year, and adjourned the meeting.

The Minutes of the December 10, 2008 Carson Area Metropolitan Planning Organization meeting are so approved this 14th day of January, 2009.

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SHELLY ALDEAN, Chair