



Minutes
City of Tempe Meeting of the Transportation Commission
October 15, 2019

Minutes of the meeting of Tempe Transportation Commission held on Tuesday, October 15, 2019, 7:30 a.m. in the Tempe Transportation Center, Don Cassano Community Room located at 200 E. Fifth Street, Tempe, Arizona.

(MEMBERS) Present:

Susan Conklu (via phone)
JC Porter
Paul Hubbell
David A. King (via phone)
Ryan Guzy (via phone)
John Kissinger

John Federico
Peter Schelstraete
Brian Fellows
Cyndi Streid
Jeremy Browning

(MEMBERS) Absent:

Lloyd Thomas
Pam Goronkin

Shana Ellis

City Staff Present:

Shelly Seyler, Deputy Engineering & Transportation Director
Robert Yabes, Principal Planner
Chase Walman, Planner II
Joe Clements, Transportation Financial Analyst
Gregg Kent, Principal Civil Engineer
Grace Kelly, PW Supervisor Admin
Steven Methvin, Deputy City Manager

Sue Taaffe, Senior Management Assistant
TaiAnna Yee, Public Information Officer
Laura Kajfez, Neighborhood Services Specialist
Amanda Nelson, Public Information Officer
Vanessa Spartan, Planner II
Marge Zylla, Government Relations Officer

Guests Present:

Lauryn Brown
Robert Pankonin

Audra Koester Thomas
Mike James

Commission Chair Brian Fellows called the meeting to order at 7:31 a.m.

Agenda Item 1 – Public Appearances

None

Agenda Item 2 – Minutes

Brian Fellows introduced the minutes of September 10, 2019 meeting of the Transportation Commission and asked for a motion for approval.

Motion: Commissioner Peter Schelstraete

Second: Commissioner John Kissinger

Decision: Approved by Commissioners:

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John Kissinger

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Agenda Item 3 – Annual Report

Shelly Seyler presented the draft 2019 Transportation Commission Annual Report. Discussion included strengthening the language related to the Commission’s goals for 2020. Staff will modify the goals to include the word “guide” and return for a formal vote of the annual report at the November meeting.

Agenda Item 4 – MAG Value Mapping Survey Results

Audra Koester Thomas with the Maricopa Association of Governments presented the results of the MAG Value Mapping Survey. Topics included:

- Background
- Research design
- Research results
- Key takeaways
- System costs and revenues
- Next steps

Discussion included federal matching funds, air quality conformity, and monitoring heating effects.

Agenda Item 5 – Climate Action Plan

Grace Kelly provided the draft Climate Action Plan. Topics included:

- Project overview
- Emissions
- Action areas
 - Energy
 - Transportation
 - Extreme Heat
- Community engagement
- Timeline (to City Council Nov. 7)
- Climate Action Plan Update (2021)

Discussion included green building codes, incentives, future action plans, and ASU collaboration.

Agenda Item 6 – El Paso Multi-use Path Project

Chase Walman and Robert Pankonin presented the draft design of the el Paso Multi-use Path project. Topics included:

- Project overview
- Summary of feedback to date
- 60% designs
- Landscape palette
- Plan views

- Price to Country Club Way
- Country Club way to Kenwood
- Kenwood to Los Feliz
- Los Feliz to Gaicki Park
- Next steps

Agenda Item 7 – McClintock Drive Project Updates

Gregg Kent provided a construction overview of the McClintock Drive Paving project. Topics included:

- Council priorities
- Project status
 - Design Notice to Proceed – December 2017
 - 90 % Plans Completed - December 2018
 - Retaining wall footing design, utility relocation and property acquisitions anticipated complete by mid-October 2019
 - Final plans – anticipated by end of October 2019
 - Project advertisement end of December 2019
 - Construction start – Spring 2020
- Design and challenges of each segment

Discussion included details of the configuration of the bike lane transition near Apache and the preference of green paint for the bike lanes.

Agenda Item 8 – Department & Regional Transportation Updates

Susan Conklu announced that the City of Scottsdale is hiring a safe routes to school coordinator position. JC Porter mentioned that ASU recently began drafting its Transportation Demand Management Plan which will be completed in Spring 2020.

Agenda Item 9 - Future Agenda Items

The following future agenda items have been previously identified by the Commission or staff:

- November 12
 - Annual Report
 - Bike Share
 - Bicycle Plan for Achieving Platinum Level Bike Friendly Community
 - ASU's ADA Program
 - Streetcar History Panels
- December 10
- January 14
 - Commission Business
 - Transit Shelter Design
 - Orbit Vehicles
 - Speed Limits
 - Tempe/Mesa Streetcar Extension Feasibility Study
- February 11
 - Bike Bait Program
 - Transit Shelter Design
- March 10
- April 14
 - Paid Media Plan

- May 12
 - Bike Hero
 - Capital Improvements Project Update
 - MAG Design Assistance Grants
 - Transit System and Security Update
- June 9
- July 14
- August 11
- September 8
- TBD: Micromobility Update
- TBD: North/South Rail Spur MUP
- TBD: Prop 400E

The next meeting is scheduled for November 12, 2019.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:46 a.m.

Prepared by: Sue Taaffe

Reviewed by: Shelly Seyler