

**DRAFT** Minutes  
Neighborhood Advisory Commission  
February 5, 2020



Minutes of the Neighborhood Advisory Commission (NAC) held on Wednesday, February 5, 2020, at Hatton Hall, 34 E. 7<sup>th</sup> St., Tempe, Arizona.

**(MEMBERS) Present:** Hannah Moulton Belec, Maureen Eastty, Doreen Garlid, Diane Harden, Jana Lynn Granillo, Stephanie Greenfield, Barb Harris, Kiyomi Kurooka, Chris McCabe, and Zoe Stein (via phone).

**(MEMBERS) Absent:** Carol Shixue Hu, Melanie Larimer, Michael McLendon, Richelle Miller, Daniel Schugurensky

**City Staff Present:** Eric Iwersen, Transit Manager, 480-350-8810, eric\_iwersen@tempe.gov; Bonnie Richardson, Principal Planner, 480-350-8628, bonnie\_richardson@tempe.gov; Elizabeth Thomas, Neighborhood Services Specialist; Shauna Warner, Neighborhood Services Manager,

**Guests Present:** Deron Lozano, Tempe/Mesa Streetcar Feasibility Study Project Manager, Valley Metro

**Agenda Item 1 – Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Chair Garlid

**Agenda Item 2 – Public Comment**

There was none.

**Agenda Item 3 – Consideration of Minutes: December 4, 2019**

Commissioner Moulton Belec noted she was not present at the Dec. 4, 2019 meeting and asked that the minutes be amended to reflect her absence in the attendance section and in the motions.

**Motion:** Commissioner Greenfield made a motion to approve the December 4, 2019 minutes as amended.

**Second:** Commissioner Harris

**Result:** *The motion passed unanimously with a 9-0 vote.*

**Commission Member Ayes:** Hannah Moulton Belec, Maureen Eastty, Doreen Garlid, Diane Harden, Jana Lynn Granillo, Stephanie Greenfield, Barb Harris, Chris McCabe, and Zoe Stein (via phone).

**Commission Members Absent:** Carol Shixue Hu, Kiyomi Kurooka, Melanie Larimer, Michael McLendon, Richelle Miller, Daniel Schugurensky.

#### **Agenda Item 4 – Chair and Vice Chair Nominations and Election**

Chair Garlid expressed she was not interested in serving another term and called for nominations for chair.

**Motion:** Chair Garlid made a motion to nominate Commissioner Moulton Belec as chair.

**Second:** Commissioner Granillo

**Result:** *The motion passed unanimously with a 9-0 vote.*

**Commission Member Ayes:** Hannah Moulton Belec, Maureen Eastty, Doreen Garlid, Diane Harden, Jana Lynn Granillo, Stephanie Greenfield, Barb Harris, Chris McCabe, and Zoe Stein (via phone).

**Commission Members Absent:** Carol Shixue Hu, Kiyomi Kurooka, Melanie Larimer, Michael McLendon, Richelle Miller, Daniel Schugurensky.

Chair Garlid asked for volunteers for serving as Vice Chair. Commissioners Greenfield and Stein both expressed interest.

**Motion:** Commissioner Moulton Belec made a motion to nominate Commissioner Stein as vice chair.

**Second:** Commissioner Harris

**Result:** *The motion passed with a 5-0-4 vote.*

**Commission Member Ayes:** Hannah Moulton Belec, Maureen Eastty, Doreen Garlid, Diane Harden, and Zoe Stein (via phone).

**Commission Members Abstentions:** Jana Lynn Granillo, Stephanie Greenfield, Barb Harris, Chris McCabe.

**Commission Members Absent:** Carol Shixue Hu, Kiyomi Kurooka, Melanie Larimer, Michael McLendon, Richelle Miller, Daniel Schugurensky

Commissioner Kurooka joined the meeting at 5:42 p.m.

#### **Agenda Item 5 – Introduction of New Commission Members**

Commissioners Eastty, Harden and McCabe introduced themselves.

#### **Agenda Item 6 – Tempe/Mesa Streetcar Feasibility Study Update**

Deron Lozano, Valley Metro, gave a presentation on the results of the Tempe/Mesa Streetcar Feasibility Study.

Questions and comments included the following:

- Why was the University Drive option removed early in the process since it showed as favorable (green) early on?
- How does ridership factor into the Rio Salado east option?
- Is streetcar really the best option for Rural Road?

- Can Tempe look at transit options to connect south Tempe to the rest of the downtown area and light rail?
- There's a lack of north/south connectivity
- Conversations need to be regional, appreciate the connection with Mesa.
- When could the project realistically be built and operational?
- There's construction fatigue.

There was no commission action taken on this item.

#### **Agenda Item 7 – Transit Shelter Design Update**

Bonnie Richardson, Principal Planner, gave a presentation on the city's proposed designs for transit shelters. Public comment is being taken through Feb. 18, 2020.

There was no commission action taken on this item.

#### **Agenda Item 8 - 2020 State of the Neighborhoods & Awards Planning**

Elizabeth Thomas gave an update on the planning for the 2020 State of the Neighborhoods and Awards event taking place April 4, 2020. Nominations for neighborhood awards are due Feb. 19, 2020. Commissioners were encouraged to nominate and/or share the information.

There was no commission action taken on this item.

#### **Agenda Item 9 – Summary of Current Events by Zip Code Areas**

Commissioners shared updates from their zip codes.

#### **Agenda Item 10 – Proposed Future Agenda Items**

Items proposed for the March 4, 2020 meeting include:

- Budget Presentation
- Selection of Neighborhood Award Winners
- Census 2020 Update

#### **Agenda Item 11 – Adjournment**

Meeting was adjourned at 7 p.m.

Prepared by: Elizabeth Thomas

Reviewed by: Shauna Warner