



Minutes
City of Tempe Meeting of the Transportation Commission
June 23, 2020

Minutes of the meeting of Tempe Transportation Commission held on Tuesday, June 23, 2020, 7:30 a.m. via Cisco Webex.

(MEMBERS) Present:

Susan Conklu
JC Porter
John Kissinger
Ryan Guzy
David A. King
Paul Hubbell
Christina Pucci

John Federico
Peter Schelstraete
Brian Fellows
Jeremy Browning
John Christoph
Pam Goronkin

(MEMBERS) Absent:

Lloyd Thomas

Mary Harriman

City Staff Present:

Marilyn DeRosa, Engineering & Transportation Director
Shelly Seyler, Deputy Engineering & Transportation Director
Robert Yabes, Principal Planner
Chase Walman, Planner II
Joe Clements, Transportation Financial Analyst
Vanessa Spartan, Planner II
Julian Dresang, Deputy Engineering & Transportation Dir.

Sue Taaffe, Senior Management Assistant
TaiAnna Yee, Public Information Officer
Laura Kajfez, Neighborhood Services Specialist
Amanda Nelson, Public Information Officer
Bonnie Richardson, Principal Planner
Cathy Hollow, Traffic Engineer
Tony Belleau, Streetcar Project Manager

Guests Present:

Anita Johari

Joe Struttman

Commission Chair Brian Fellows called the meeting to order at 7:32 a.m.

Agenda Item 1 – Public Appearances

Joe Struttman spoke about the Priest Drive Bike & Pedestrian Improvements Project. Mr. Struttman stated that he was not in favor of Alternative 2, which includes off street facilities.

Agenda Item 2 – Minutes

Brian Fellows introduced the minutes of May 12, 2020 meeting of the Transportation Commission and asked for a motion for approval.

Motion: Commissioner Paul Hubbell

Second: Commissioner JC Porter

Decision: Approved by Commissioners

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Brian Fellows introduced the minutes of May 26, 2020 meeting of the Transportation Commission and asked for a motion for approval.

Motion: Commissioner JC Porter

Second: Commissioner David King

Decision: Approved by Commissioners

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Agenda Item 3 – Priest Drive Bike & Pedestrian Improvements

Chase Walman and Anita Johari (Wood Consultants) presented information on the Priest Drive Bike & Pedestrian Improvements Project. Discussion topics included:

- Background
- Existing Conditions
- Traffic Volumes
- Crash Data
- Design Considerations/Alternatives
 - Widen Existing Roadway
 - 10-foot Multi-use Path
 - Reduce a Travel Lane Between Elliot to Warner roads
 - Knox Road Crossing
- Next Steps

Discussion included right-of-way constraints, wayfinding, Level of Service (LOS), pedestrian signals, adjacent multi-use paths, comfort level for users and traffic speeds.

Agenda Item 4 – Open Streets

Vanessa Spartan presented information on the Open Street concept. Discussion topics included:

- Overview
- Adjusting Traffic Signals

- Expanding Active transportation Opportunities
- Creating Room to Queue
- Coordination Needed

Discussion included automated pedestrian signals, timeline for implementing an Open Street concept in Tempe, community input and Tempe Block Party process. Brian Fellows requested that this topic be added to the September or October agenda for further discussion.

Agenda Item 5 – Department & Regional Transportation Updates

None

Agenda Item 6 - Future Agenda Items

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

- July 14 - CANCELED
- August 11
 - Special Revenue Fund Operating Budget & Capital Improvements Project Update
 - Transit Shelter Designs
 - Transit System and Security Update
 - Transit Service Reduction Plan
- September 8
 - Annual Report
 - Outreach Plan for I-10 Corridor Construction
 - Scottsdale Road Bike Lanes
 - Transportation Demand Management Association
 - Mobility Hubs
 - Bikeshare
- October 13
 - Annual Report
 - Priest Drive Bicycle & Pedestrian Improvements Project
 - Maricopa Association of Governments Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Study
 - Ash and University Intersection Update
- November 10
 - Starship Project
 - Scottsdale Road Bike Lanes
 - Entitled Development Projects
 - Vision Zero Update
- December 8
- January 12
 - Transit Service Reduction Plan
 - Country Club Way Streetscape
 - Commission Business
- February 9
- March 9
- April 13
- May 11
 - Bike Hero
- TBD: North/South Rail Spur MUP Phase I

- TBD: Commuter Rail Study

The next meeting is scheduled for August 11, 2020.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:20 a.m.

Prepared by: Sue Taaffe

Reviewed by: Shelly Seyler