



Minutes City of Tempe Meeting of the Transportation Commission August 13, 2024

Minutes of the meeting of Tempe Transportation Commission held on Tuesday, August 13, 2024 at 7:30 a.m. via Webex and at the Tempe Transportation Center located at 200 E. Fifth Street, Tempe AZ 85281.

(MEMBERS) Present:

Paul Hubbell
David Sokolowski
Stevie Milne
Dawn Hocking
Amanda Nelson
JC Porter
Pam Goronkin
Anthony Strait

Peter Schelstraete
Robert Miller
Claire Lauer
Jacob Cox
David King
Kelsey Files
James Dwyer

(MEMBERS) Absent:

City Staff Present:

Shelly Seyler, Deputy Transportation & Sustainability Director
Sue Taaffe, Senior Management Assistant
Cathy Hollow, City Traffic Engineer
Abel Gunn, Transportation Financial Analyst
Morgan Kennedy, Neighborhood Services Specialist
Mary Kate Nacke, Public Information Officer
Rebecca Rothman, Community Services Manager
Kip Carroll, Transportation Maintenance Manager

Chase Walman, Principal Planner
Lisette Camacho, Deputy City Manager
Shauna Warner, Neighborhood Program Manager
Eric Iwersen, Transportation & Sustainability Director
Ellie Volosin, Senior Civil Engineer
Corey Steele, Senior Civil Engineer
Brenda Clark, Neighborhood Services Specialist

Guests Present:

John Federico

Commission Chair Amanda Nelson called the meeting to order at 7:30 a.m.

Agenda Item 1 – Public Appearances

None

Agenda Item 2 – Minutes

Amanda Nelson introduced the minutes of the June 11, 2024 meeting of the Transportation Commission and asked for a motion for approval.

Motion: Commissioner Dawn Hawking

Second: Commissioner Kelsey Files

Decision: Approved by Commissioners

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Stevie Milne
Dawn Hocking
Amanda Nelson
Kelsey Files

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Agenda Item 3 – Public Art Mill Underpass

Rebecca Rothman provided an update on the public art project located on Mill Avenue under the railroad. Topics included:

- Outreach process
- Daytime colors
- Nighttime color
- Site considerations
- Process
- Timeline

Agenda Item 4 – Back to School Campaign

Shauna Warner and Mary Kate Nacke provided an update on the annual Back to School campaign. Topics included:

- Purpose
- K-12 outreach
 - Youth Transit Pass Program
 - Vision Zero
 - Back to School web page
- ASU outreach
 - Flash
 - Student guides
- In-person outreach

Agenda Item 5 – Terrace and Rural Intersection

Cory Steele provided an update on proposed changes to the Rural and Terrace Intersection. Topics included:

- Existing conditions
- Existing challenges
- Recommended changes
 - Add receiving lane to prevent bus/bike conflict
 - Add green markings for bicycle path over tracks
 - Add skip markings to show path through intersection
 - Add symbols to clarify lanes

Discussion included green bike lanes and whether more signage would be included.

Agenda Item 6 – Department & Regional Transportation Updates

Staff liaisons and Commission members introduced themselves to the new commissioner, Anthony Strait. Eric Iwersen introduced the new Deputy City Manager, Lisette Camacho.

Agenda Item 7 – Future Agenda Items

Peter Schelstraete requested an update on the City's bike bait program. The following future agenda items have been previously identified by the Commission or staff:

- September 10
 - College Avenue and University Drive Grade Separated Crossing
 - Discussion about possible joint meeting with Sustainability Commission
 - ADOT I-10 Baseline Road TI Project
- October 8 – cancel?
- November 12
 - Annual Report
 - Streetcar Alternatives Analysis – Rio East Dobson Extension
 - Transit Prioritization Strategies
- December 10
 - 2024 Transportation Survey Results
 - Commission Business
- January 14
 - Commission Business
 - Transportation Plan & Transportation Equity
 - TMA/TDM, Personal Delivery Devices
 - Vision Zero Update
- February 11
- March 11
- April 8
- May 13
 - Bike Hero Award
- TBD: Alameda Drive Streetscape Project (before and after) & Speed Data
- TBD: Transit Revenue Study
- TBD: Prop 479

The next meeting is scheduled for September 10, 2024. The meeting adjourned at 7:53 a.m.

Prepared by: Sue Taaffe
Reviewed by: Shelly Seyler