



**Minutes**  
**City of Tempe Meeting of the Transportation Commission**  
**June 11, 2019**

Minutes of the meeting of Tempe Transportation Commission held on Tuesday, June 11, 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	Lloyd Thomas
Jeremy Browning (via phone)	John Federico
JC Porter (via phone)	Peter Schelstraete
Paul Hubbell	Pam Goronkin (via phone)
David A. King	Brian Fellows
Ryan Guzy (via phone)	Cyndi Streid

**(MEMBERS) Absent:**

Bonnie Gerepka	Shana Ellis
John Kissinger	

**City Staff Present:**

Robert Yabes, Principal Planner	Sue Taaffe, Senior Management Assistant
Bonnie Richardson, Principal Planner	TaiAnna Yee, Public Information Officer
Shelly Seyler, Deputy Engineering & Transportation Director	Laura Kajfez, Neighborhood Services Specialist
Eric Iwersen, Transit Manager	Amanda Nelson, Public Information Officer
Chase Walman, Planner II	Vanessa Spartan, Planner II
Joe Clements, Transportation Financial Analyst	Marilyn DeRosa, Engineering & Transportation Director
Ambika Adhikari, Principal Planner	Robbie Aaron, Planner II
Julian Dresang, City Traffic Engineer	

**Guests Present:**

Becky Fly	Amy Ritz
David Sokolowski	Jason Simmers

Commission Chair Brian Fellows called the meeting to order at 7:30 a.m.

**Agenda Item 1 – Public Appearances**

None.

**Agenda Item 2 – Minutes**

Brian Fellows introduced the minutes of May 28, 2019 meeting of the Transportation Commission and asked for a motion for approval with one change under agenda item number seven.

**Motion:** Commissioner Cyndi Streid

**Second:** Commissioner Peter Schelstraete

**Decision:** Approved by Commissioners:

Susan Conklu  
Jeremy Browning  
JC Porter  
Paul Hubbell  
David A. King  
Ryan Guzy

Lloyd Thomas  
John Federico  
Peter Schelstraete  
Pam Goronkin  
Brian Fellows  
Cyndi Streid

**Agenda Item 3 – Interstate 10 Broadway Curve & Interstate 17 (Split) to Loop 202 Update**

Amy Ritz with the Arizona Department of Transportation presented information on the status of the I-10 Broadway Curve project. Topics included:

- Study area
- History
- Reason for improvements
- Travel patterns
- Potential improvements
- Collector-distributor system
- Business outreach
- Schedule

Discussion included the collector-distributor system, existing right-of way needs, timeline and I-10 pedestrian bridge.

**Agenda Item 4 – Downtown Tempe Authority Update**

Kate Borders with the Downtown Tempe Authority (DTA) provided an overview of DTA activities. Topics included:

- History
- Downtown boundaries
- Budget
- Mission and vision
- Parking,
- Public art
- Security
- Cleaning
- Events
- Stakeholder outreach
- Branding

Discussion included the impact of development on traffic and downtown and the possibility of hosting an open street bike/ped event.

**Agenda Item 5 – Transit Fund Update**

Shelly Seyler and Eric Iwersen provided an overview of the Transit Fund. Topics included:

- Transit Tax ballot language
- Program elements
- History of program
- Transit Fund revenue

- CIP budget
- 10-year Transit Fund expenditures
- 10-year Transit Fund forecast

Discussion included the impact rideshare has had on ridership and increasing the Transit Tax.

#### **Agenda Item 6 – Transportation Overlay District**

Ambika Adhikari provided an overview of the Transportation Overlay District (TOD) and Urban Core Master Plan.

Topics included:

- Goals
- Urban Core boundaries and sub-areas
- Existing Transportation Overlay District
- TOD principles and sub-zones
- Design and frontage standards
- Incentives
- Building heights
- Growth projections
- Public outreach
- Connectivity, sidewalks, travel and parking management
- Timeline

#### **Agenda Item 7 – Alameda Drive Streetscape**

Bonnie Richardson provided an overview of the Alameda Drive Streetscape Project. Topics of discussion included:

- Existing conditions
- Adjacent projects
- Conceptual plan development
- Design
  - Tempe Diablo
  - Fountainhead
  - Industrial Districts
  - UPRR to Mill Avenue
  - Mill Avenue to College Avenue
  - College Avenue to Rural Road
- Public outreach
- Schedule

Discussion included the budget and reasons for escalating costs.

#### **Agenda Item 8 – Department & Regional Transportation Updates**

Shelly Seyler introduced Marilyn DeRosa as the Engineering & Transportation Director.

#### **Agenda Item 9 - Future Agenda Items**

- July 9
- August 13
  - Speed Limits
  - Transportation Overlay District
  - Scooter Update
  - 3-Foot Bicycle Signage

- El Paso Multi-use Path Project
- September 10
  - Transit Security Update
  - North/South Railroad Multi-use Path Project
  - Bus Shelter Design
  - Grand Canal Multi-use Path Project
- October 8
  - Annual Report
  - McClintock Drive Project Update
  - ASU ADA Program
  - Bicycle Plan for Achieving Platinum Level Bike Friendly Community
- November 12
  - Annual Report
  - Bus Shelter Design
  - Tempe/Mesa Streetcar Extension Feasibility Study
- December 10
- January 14
  - Commission Business
- February 11
- March 10
- April 14
  - Paid Media Plan
- May 12
  - Bike Hero
  - Capital Improvements Project Update
  - MAG Design Assistance Grants

The July meeting was cancelled. The next meeting is scheduled for August 13, 2019.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:48 a.m.

Prepared by: Sue Taaffe  
Reviewed by: Shelly Seyler