



Minutes
City of Tempe Meeting of the Transportation Commission
September 10, 2019

Minutes of the meeting of Tempe Transportation Commission held on Tuesday, September 10, 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	John Federico
JC Porter	Peter Schelstraete
Paul Hubbell (via phone)	Pam Goronkin
David A. King	Shana Ellis
Ryan Guzy (via phone)	Brian Fellows
John Kissinger	Cyndi Streid
Jeremy Browning (via phone)	Lloyd Thomas (via phone)

(MEMBERS) Absent:

None

City Staff Present:

Shelly Seyler, Deputy Engineering & Transportation Director	Sue Taaffe, Senior Management Assistant
Robert Yabes, Principal Planner	TaiAnna Yee, Public Information Officer
Bonnie Richardson, Principal Planner	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	Jon King, Sergeant
Julian Dresang, City Engineer	Frank Razo, Police Officer
Shar Johnson, Senior Civil Engineer	

Guests Present:

David Sokolowski	Mike James
Anne DeBoard	

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 August 14, 2019 meeting of the Transportation Commission and asked for a motion for approval with one change under agenda item number four.

Motion: Commissioner Peter Schelstraete

Second: Commissioner David King

Decision: Approved by Commissioners:

Susan Conklu

JC Porter

Paul Hubbell (via phone)

David A. King

Ryan Guzy (via phone)

John Kissinger

Jeremy Browning (via phone)

John Federico

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Agenda Item 3 – Transit Shelter Design

Bonnie Richardson provided an overview of the planning process for the new transit shelters. Topics included:

- Background
- Steering Committee
- Concept inspirations
- Bus stop prioritization process
- Public outreach
- Next steps

Discussion included budget, implementation timeline, solar lighting and bus stop prioritization.

Agenda Item 4 – North South Railroad Spur Multi-use Path Project

Vanessa Spartan presented information on the North South Railroad Spur Multi-use Path Project. Topics included:

- Background
- Intent and issues
- Budget
- Next steps

Discussion included restricting turn movements at Baseline and Kyrene, aligning the route on Roosevelt through neighborhoods, data and Phase II.

A motion was made to support the staff recommendation of pursuing the alternative alignment for the project.

Motion: Commissioner Pam Goronkin

Second: Commissioner John Kissinger

Decision: Approved by Commissioners:

Susan Conklu

JC Porter

Paul Hubbell (via phone)

David A. King

Ryan Guzy (via phone)

John Kissinger

Jeremy Browning (via phone)

John Federico

Peter Schelstraete

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Lloyd Thomas (via phone)

Agenda Item 5 – Grand Canal Multi-use Path

Chase Walman and Anne DeBoard provided an overview of the Grand Canal Multi-use Path project. Topics included:

- Project overview
- Public feedback
- Preferred alternatives
- Priest Drive improvements
- Lake View Drive improvements
- Next Steps

Discussion included signage, bike/ped signal at Priest Drive, and connections to other paths.

Agenda Item 6 – Transit Program/Security Update

Sam Stevenson, Eric Iwersen and Jon King provided an overview of the transit program and security efforts for fiscal year 18/19. Officer Razo introduced Tempe's security canine, Storm.

Topics included:

- Transit program overview & funding
- Bus system performance
- Tempe Transit service changes
- Travel Demand Management
- Transit amenities
- Fleet
- Regional projects
- Transit security
 - Light rail
 - Bus

Discussion included types of complaints, streetcar interface and route 72 changes.

Agenda Item 7 – Department & Regional Transportation Updates

Shelly Seyler announced that Julian Dresang has accepted the position of City Engineer. Shelly also reminded the Commission that the October meeting will be held on the 15th instead of the 8th.

Agenda Item 8 - Future Agenda Items

Commissioners requested an update on scooters/micromobility and the bike bait program.

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

- October 8
 - Annual Report
 - McClintock Drive Project Update
 - ASU ADA Program
 - El Paso Multi-use Paths
 - MAG Value Mapping Survey Results
- November 12
 - Annual Report
 - Bike Share
 - Tempe/Mesa Streetcar Extension Feasibility Study
 - Bicycle Plan for Achieving Platinum Level Bike Friendly Community

- December 10
- January 14
 - Commission Business
 - Transit Shelter Design
 - Orbit Vehicles
- February 11
- March 10
- April 14
 - Paid Media Plan
- May 12
 - Bike Hero
 - Capital Improvements Project Update
 - MAG Design Assistance Grants

The next meeting is scheduled for October 15, 2019.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:03 a.m.

Prepared by: Sue Taaffe

Reviewed by: Shelly Seyler