



**Minutes**  
**City of Tempe Meeting of the Transportation Commission**  
**August 18, 2020**

Minutes of the meeting of Tempe Transportation Commission held on Tuesday, August 18, 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  
Lloyd Thomas  
Mary Harriman

**(MEMBERS) Absent:**

Pam Goronkin

**City Staff Present:**

Marilyn DeRosa, Engineering & Transportation Director  
Shelly Seyler, Deputy Engineering & Transportation Director  
Robert Yabes, Principal Planner  
Chase Walman, Planner II  
Vanessa Spartan, Planner II  
Julian Dresang, Deputy Engineering & Transportation Dir.  
Sam Stevenson, Senior Transportation Planner  
Shar Johnson, Senior Civil Engineer  
Mark Day, Municipal Budget Director

Sue Taaffe, Senior Management Assistant  
TaiAnna Yee, Public Information Officer  
Laura Kajfez, Neighborhood Services Specialist  
Amanda Nelson, Public Information Officer  
Bonnie Richardson, Principal Planner  
Tony Belleau, Streetcar Project Manager  
Trent Luckow, Sergeant  
Eric Iwersen, Transit Manager

**Guests Present:**

None

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

**Agenda Item 1 – Public Appearances**

None

**Agenda Item 2 – Minutes**

Brian Fellows introduced the minutes of June 23, 2020 meeting of the Transportation Commission and asked for a motion for approval.

**Motion:** Commissioner David King

**Second:** Commissioner JC Porter

**Decision:** Approved by Commissioners

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**Agenda Item 3 – Operating Budget & Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Budget Update**

Mark Day provided an update on the Highway User Revenue Fund (HURF) and Transit Fund. Discussion topics included:

- Overview
- COVID-19 impacts
- Budget adjustment strategies
- Revenues and expenditures
- Next steps

Discussion included the effects the reduction in revenue will have on projects that are federally funded, ADA/minor concrete projects, rail studies and Prop 400e submittals.

**Agenda Item 4 – Transit Shelter Design**

Bonnie Richardson presented information on the proposed transit shelter design. Discussion topics included:

- History
- Purpose
- Steering Committee
- Public involvement
- Public feedback
- Concept development
  - Lighting
  - Colors
  - Sizes
- Shelter prioritization
- Fabrication
- Next steps

Discussion included wheelchair accessibility, shade, maintenance and durability, cooling mechanisms, and the ability to add technology in the future.

A motion was made to support the proposed design concept.

**Motion:** Commissioner John Christoph

**Second:** Commissioner David King

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**Agenda Item 5 – Transit System Security Update**

Trent Luckow presented information about transit security for fiscal year 19/20. Discussion topics included:

- History
- Transit security
  - Light rail
  - Bus
- Fare enforcement
- Respect the Ride
- Boardings
- COVID-19 effects

**Agenda Item 6 – Union Pacific Railroad Bridge Impacts to Traffic/Alternative Modes**

Shelly Seyler provided a verbal update regarding the train derailment that occurred on July 29, 2020. Staff is working with UPRR to restore city property. Discussion topics included the effects the derailment has on future rail projects, detour signage for bikes and peds and the NTSB findings.

**Agenda Item 7 – Department & Regional Transportation Updates**

None

**Agenda Item 8 - Future Agenda Items**

Commissioner John Christoph requested the following agenda items be added:

- MAG Commuter Rail Plan
- AZ State Rail Plan
- AZDOT Phoenix-Tucson Corridor Plan

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

- September 8
  - Annual Report
  - Bike Share
  - Transit Service Reduction Plan
  - Traffic Mitigation Strategies
- October 13
  - Annual Report
  - Priest Drive Bicycle Lane Design Assistance Project
  - BRT Study

- Ash and University Intersection
- November 10
  - Scottsdale Road Bike Lanes
  - Entitled Development Projects
  - Transportation Demand Management Association
  - Mobility Hubs
- December 8
  - 20 Minute City Market Research Results
  - 2020 Transit Satisfaction Survey Results
- January 12
  - Transit Service Reduction Plan
  - Country Club Way Streetscape
  - Commission Business
  - Vision Zero Update
- February 9
  - Cool Pavement Treatment
  - Personal Delivery Devices
  - Outreach Plan for I-10 Corridor Construction
- TBD: North/South Rail Spur MUP
- TBD: Commuter Rail Study
- TBD: Open Streets

The next meeting is scheduled for September 8, 2020.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:08 a.m.

Prepared by: Sue Taaffe

Reviewed by: Shelly Seyler