# SUMMARIZED MINUTES

## CITY OF SCOTTSDALE
## TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
## STUDY SESSION

**THURSDAY, APRIL 19, 2012**

**ONE CIVIC CENTER**
**KIVA CONFERENCE ROOM**
**3939 N. DRINKWATER BOULEVARD**
**SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85251**

## CALL TO ORDER

Chair Weiss called the Study Session of the Scottsdale Transportation Commission to order at 5:22 p.m.

## ROLL CALL

**PRESENT:**
Josh Weiss, Chair
Terry Gruver, Vice Chair
Paul Holley, Commissioner
Donald Maxwell, Commissioner
Steven Olmsted, Commissioner
Robert Stickles, Commissioner
Paul Ward, Commissioner

**STAFF:**
Dave Meinhart, Transportation Director
Rose Arballo, Transportation Commission Coordinator
Madeline Clemann, Transit Manager
Greg Davies, Senior Transportation Planner
Sarah Ferrara, Public Information Officer
John Kelley, Transportation Planner
Reed Kempton, Principal Transportation Planner
Rod Ramos, Street Operations Director

## 1. REVIEW OF TONIGHT'S REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

- **Approval of Meeting Minutes**

No edits were suggested.

- **Regional Transit System**

Steve Banta, CEO of Metro Rail and Valley Metro Bus, will provide an overview of the regional transit system, including an update on the Light Rail Program. He will also provide information on his new role as CEO of both agencies.

- **Express Bus Service Update**

As a follow-up to last month's Commission meeting, staff will request action from the Commission on adjustments made to the Express Bus service provided in Scottsdale. A summary of public comment received from Route 510 and Route 512 users, and a detailed review of the proposed restructuring of these routes will be provided. Although this difficult transition might not provide riders with the same access to bus service as before, it is a possibility that the redesign of these routes will provide added ridership in the future.

- **Asphalt Paving Program**

Mr. Ramos, Street Operations Director, will provide a presentation on the Asphalt Paving Program and will review funding requirements to meet target street condition goals.

Mr. Meinhart mentioned that the Council is currently deliberating on a Bond Program for transportation improvements that could include funding for some pavement rehabilitation. However, if funds from the Bond Program are not available, there are opportunities to look at local transportation funds for the Maintenance Program.

- **FY 12/13 Operating Budget**

Mr. Meinhart explained that recent reductions in forecasted Highway User Revenue Funds (HURF) create a combined projected shortfall of revenues to expenditures in the amount of approximately $500,000 in FY 14 and FY 15. In an effort to balance the budget, staff will request input and direction from the Commission on the need to use some of the unreserved fund balance, or further reduce transit service on Route 81 and/or defer a portion of the roadway maintenance program into a future fiscal year.

- **Transportation Master Plan Update**

As part of the Transportation Master Plan Update process, Mr. Kempton will review High Capacity Transit and provide background information on development of the current plan which was approved in 2008. An overview of studies completed by regional agencies since 2008 will also be provided.

Mr. Meinhart indicated that as staff moves forward with the update process, the Commission will be provided with drafts of the various elements for their review. It is anticipated that the public outreach process and finalization of the draft plan with the Commission will follow after January 2013.

- **Other Transportation Projects**

Mr. Meinhart will give a brief update on the fare policy changes being reviewed by the region in which a fare increase is expected to be implemented by January 2013. An update on the installation of bus shelters will also be provided.

- **Adjournment**

With no further business to discuss, Chair Weiss adjourned the Study Session at 5:43 p.m.

SUBMITTED BY:

Rose Arballo
Transportation Coordinator

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