SUMMARIZED MINUTES

CITY OF SCOTTSDALE
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
STUDY SESSION

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2012

KIVA CONFERENCE ROOM – CITY HALL
3939 DRINKWATER BOULEVARD
SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85251

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

PRESENT:
Terry Gruver, Chair
Gary Bretz, Commissioner
Donald Maxwell, Vice Chair
Steven Olmsted, Commissioner
Paul Ward, Commissioner

ABSENT:
Paul Holley, Commissioner
Robert Stickles, Commissioner

STAFF:
Rose Arballo, Transportation Commission Coordinator
John Bartlett, Traffic Engineer
Madeline Clemann, Transit Manager
Greg Davies, Sr. Transportation Planner
Jennifer Horodyski, Traffic Engineering Analyst
Ed Jones, Sr. Transportation Representative
Reed Kempton, Principal Transportation Planner
Dave Meinhart, Transportation Director

1. REVIEW OF TONIGHT'S REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

- **Approval of Meeting Minutes**

Mr. Meinhart indicated he received feedback from Mr. Dave MacDonald who suggested minor edits to his public comment made on agenda item #4 (Electric Vehicle Presentation) of the Regular Meeting. The Commission concurred and no other edits were suggested to the Study Session or Regular Meeting minutes of September 20, 2012.

- **Hidden Hills Update**

Mr. Kempton informed the Commission that on September 18th, the Trails Subcommittee recommended staff to take a look at what trails projects would be impacted if the City moved forward with building a temporary connection to Hidden Hills at a cost of $120,000. It was explained there could be some delay on spot improvements; however, there would be no impact or delay of any projects.

Mr. Kempton also briefly explained that discussions with stakeholders have been held about the Shea Boulevard Path/Sidewalk joint project between Fountain Hills and Scottsdale, which will provide a connection to Fountain Hills. With regards to funding, discussions continue on the possibility of shifting SRP (Salt River Project) aesthetic funds that were granted to Fountain Hills to a different Scottsdale project that could fund the Fountain Hills' portion of the Shea Boulevard project. Mr. Meinhart made clear that if the connection on Shea is built, the temporary connection to Fountain Hills on 134th Street would not be constructed. Support towards building a permanent connection has been expressed by the Trails Subcommittee and staff. At the Regular meeting, staff will ask for direction as to whether the Commission supports the Trails Subcommittee's recommendation that City staff pursue the feasibility and funding options for the Shea Boulevard Path/Sidewalk project from 142nd Street to Eagle Mountain Parkway before pursuing the Adero Canyon temporary connection from Hidden Hills to Fountain Hills.

- **Transportation Master Plan**

It was mentioned that Mr. Kempton and Mr. Davies, along with other staff who are assisting on updating the plan will present the Trails and Streets Elements. A brief review of staffs' revisions and redefining of goals, and functional classification relative to the traffic demand model will also be provided. Brief discussion of the Airpark

Circulation Study that is a component of the existing Transportation Master Plan will also be held.

Staff expects that more opportunity for feedback will be presented to the Commission when the Transit Element and the new goals format is presented in October. A more comprehensive plan is scheduled to be presented in November and December. Multiple opportunities will be provided for public input thru open houses, public meetings, and other methods starting in February 2013.

- **East Valley Dial-a-Ride (EVDAR) Update**

At the Regular meeting, Ms. Clemann will present an update on the new service delivery model for the EVDAR Program that has been in effect for three months, and will include an overview of the City's other two paratransit programs (Cab Connection and the Reduced Fare I.D. card application intake process). It was highlighted that the Cab Connection program will be monitored closely due to the fact that the non-ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act) fare for Dial-a-Ride is less than the ADA fare.

As additional data that could affect the FY 14/15 budget is collected in the next year, Mr. Meinhart indicated that more detailed information will be provided to the Commission at a future date.

- **Other Transportation Projects/Programs**

A brief update on projects in the Airpark area, along with an update on the Thomas Road Improvements and Mustang Transit Center project will be provided by Mr. Meinhart.

- **Adjournment**

With no further business to discuss, Chair Gruver adjourned the Study Session at 5:53 p.m.

SUBMITTED BY:

Rose Arballo
Transportation Coordinator

***NOTE: These are summary action meeting minutes only. A complete copy of the audio/video recording is available at http://www.scottsdaleaz.gov/boards/Transp.asp**