Approved by the Transportation Commission on June 20, 2013

SUMMARIZED MINUTES

CITY OF SCOTTSDALE
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
STUDY SESSION

THURSDAY, MAY 16, 2013

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

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Gruver called the Study Session of the Scottsdale Transportation Commission to order at 5:20 p.m.

ROLL CALL

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

STAFF: Rose Arballo, Transportation Commission Coordinator
Greg Davies, Senior Transportation Planner
Reed Kempton, Principal Transportation Planner
Phillip Kercher, Traffic Engineering & Operations Manager
Adan Martinez, Transportation Intern
Steve Ramsey, Senior ITS Engineer
Holly Walter, Public Information Officer
George Williams, Senior Traffic Engineer

1. REVIEW OF TONIGHT'S REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

- **Approval of Meeting Minutes**

Although no edits were made to the meeting minutes of the Study Session and Regular meeting of March 21, 2013, Chair Gruver suggested that bullet points that describe the reasoning of any action taken by the Commission be included in future minutes.

- **Raintree Update**

DUE TO A CONFLICT OF INTEREST ON THIS ITEM, CHAIR GRUVER RECUSED HERSELF FROM THE MEETING AT 5:21 P.M.

Relative to the Raintree Extension project, AAECOM will present their initial findings of the Design Concept Report that was developed for this project. Due to some right-of-way and park-and-ride access issues that have come up regarding the section between Hayden and Redfield and 76th Place, staff is looking for guidance regarding a three lane roadway versus a five lane roadway in approximately a half mile section of Raintree between Hayden and 76th Place. Due to the volume of traffic in this section of roadway, Commissioner Bretz does not feel it is a good idea to have the roadway go from five lanes to three lanes and back to five lanes. Mr. Williams explained how traffic would flow with this proposed concept.

With regards to other improvements that include multiple roundabouts in this project, Commissioners Maxwell and Stickles expressed support on the use of roundabouts along the corridor.

CHAIR GRUVER RETURNED TO THE MEETING AT 5:29 P.M.

- **Sustainable Transportation and Land Use Integration Study**

Ms. Eileen Yazzie of MAG (Maricopa Association of Governments) will present an update on the ongoing MAG Sustainable Transportation and Land Use Integration Study that focuses on what is relevant for Scottsdale and why staff could consider using the identified elements that focus on connectivity and productivity.

- **ITS (Intelligent Transportation Systems) Update**

Mr. Ramsey will provide a brief description of current and near future ITS projects, including an overview on the relocation of the Scottsdale Traffic Management Center as part of a planned expansion of the ITS System.

- **Transportation Projects/Programs Update**

Mr. Kempton will give a brief update on the following items:

1. Arizona Canal Project – Mr. Kempton will provide some brief history and some detail on the Arizona Canal project. It was mentioned that in addition to open houses being planned to be held sometime in the Fall to seek public input, next month's meeting will provide an opportunity for residents to give public comment on this project.
2. A petition requesting information on high capacity transit was submitted to City Council. Transportation staff was directed to gather information and provide a response on the feasibility of high capacity transit and available options. Chair Gruver encouraged staff to note on the report that the Transportation Commission's stance is ready and willing to assist the City Council on this topic or any other transportation topics they might need input on.
3. In an effort to fill one vacancy on the Transportation Commission, Chair Gruver will make an announcement that interested residents could apply with the City Clerk's Office.

Commissioner Bretz encouraged staff to notify the Commission of any public meetings regarding transportation and/or transit.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, Chair Gruver adjourned the Study Session at 5:48 p.m.

SUBMITTED BY:

Rose Arballo
Transportation Coordinator

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