

SUMMARIZED MINUTES

CITY OF SCOTTSDALE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION STUDY SESSION

THURSDAY, APRIL 17, 2014

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

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Olmsted called the study session of the Scottsdale Transportation Commission to order at 5:15 p.m.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Gary Bretz, Commissioner

Barry Graham, Commissioner

Steven Olmsted, Chair

Robert Stickles, Commissioner

Paul Ward, Vice Chair

Matthew Wright, Commissioner

ABSENT: Paul Holley, Commissioner

STAFF: Rose Arballo, Transportation Commission Coordinator

Paul Basha, Transportation Director

Madeline Clemann, Transportation Planning and Transit Operations Manager

Ross Cromarty, Project Coordination Liaison-Advance Planning

Greg Davies, Senior Transportation Planner

Jim Ford, Deputy Chief/Fire Marshall

Phillip Kercher, Traffic Engineering and Operations Manager Taylor Reynolds, Associate Planner-Advance Planning Wendy Springborn, Chair-General Plan Task Force

Adam Yaron, Planner-Advance Planning

Chair Olmsted introduced new Transportation Commissioner Barry Graham. Commissioner Graham replaced former Commissioner Terry Gruver whose term ended April 5, 2014.

1. REVIEW OF TONIGHT'S REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

Approval of Meeting Minutes

No edits were suggested to the revised regular meeting minutes of February 20, 2014, or to the Study Session and Regular Meeting minutes of March 20, 2014.

• Cattletrack Neighborhood Traffic Management Program (NTMP) Project

Mr. Bartlett will present a resident request for exemption to the NTMP qualification criteria for residents on Cattletrack Road to allow the roadway to be considered for traffic calming. Mr. Bartlett briefly reviewed the location and specifics of this roadway between Lincoln and McDonald Drives. It was explained that Cattletrack Road meets the necessary volume and speed criteria; however, staff expressed concerns regarding the direct residential access qualification criteria. A review of this area confirmed that the long residential driveways operate similar to side-street intersections as opposed to traditional driveways.

Draft General Plan 2014

Mr. Yaron will present a brief overview of the work done by the 2014 General Plan Task Force over the last one and one-half years and will highlight items from the transportation perspective. The intent of this meeting is to also provide additional opportunity for the Commission to provide comment on the plan. Comments are welcome thru May 30th.

Proposed Transit Service Changes

Ms. Clemann will provide an update on proposed transit service changes that will improve frequency and make it easier for riders to connect to other routes including light rail. Staff will seek a recommendation from the Commission and forward to Council for approval. Should the proposed changes and request for inclusion in the fiscal year 2015 budget be approved, the transit changes will take effect in October.

McDowell Road Crosscut Bridge

Mr. Davies will present an overview of the Crosscut Canal Bridge and Path project that will provide local and regional connectivity. It was noted that 90% of this project is funded by grant funds. Design for this project is anticipated to start this summer with construction starting in the next fiscal year. Commissioner Bretz expressed interest in providing a connection to the Desert Botanical Gardens.

• Trails Subcommittee Report

Commissioner Stickles, also a member of the Trails Subcommittee, will provide a brief report on discussions held at the last Trails Subcommittee meeting in March. Topics discussed at that meeting included an update on the City's Wayfinding Program and presentation by the City of Phoenix regarding their non-motorized transportation network.

• Transportation Projects/Programs Update

Ms. Clemann will provide a brief update on a few ongoing transportation projects.

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ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, Chair Olmsted adjourned the Study Session at 5:39 p.m.

SUBMITTED BY:

Rose Arballo

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