



SUMMARIZED MINUTES

CITY OF SCOTTSDALE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION STUDY SESSION

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2014

**CITY OF SCOTTSDALE TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT CENTER
9191 E. SAN SALVADOR, FIRST FLOOR
SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85258**

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Olmsted called the Study Session of the Scottsdale Transportation Commission to order at 5:18 p.m.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Gary Bretz, Commissioner
Barry Graham, Commissioner
Paul Holley, Vice Chair
Steven Olmsted, Chair (arrived at 5:30 p.m.)
Steven Rosenberg, Commissioner
Robert Stickles, Commissioner
Matthew Wright, Commissioner

STAFF: Rose Arballo, Transportation Commission Coordinator
Paul Basha, Transportation Director
Madeline Clemann, Transportation Planning and Transportation
Operations Manager
Susan Conklu, Senior Transportation Planner
Greg Davies, Senior Transportation Planner
Steven Ramsey, Interim ITS Manager

1. TOUR OF THE TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT CENTER

Interim ITS Manager Mr. Steve Ramsey conducted a tour of the City's Traffic Management Center. It was highlighted that there are over 300 traffic signals in the City, and more than 140 major intersections are monitored. Also, it was noted that no video recordings at intersections are created. In the future, it could be possible that recordings could be made of accidents at a specific intersection; however, the recording will have a five to ten-minute delay buffer, so the Traffic Management Center would have to learn about the accident before that buffer time is reached.

Mr. Ramsey demonstrated how cameras are zoomed in to monitor intersections. Due to the Commissioners' concern on the roundabout at Hayden and Northsight, Mr. Steve Ramsey zoomed in to the intersection and noted that no serious incidents have occurred at this location, except for a limited number of minor rear-end collisions, since the roundabout was installed.

Much discussion ensued between staff and Commissioners regarding basic signal timing plans, left-turn detection, and staff observation of approaches before signal timing is changed due to traffic congestion. Extensive discussion was also held regarding timing of pedestrian crossings at intersections. Staff noted that between Indian School Road and 2nd Street along Scottsdale Road, pedestrian signals are on recall which gives pedestrians the right-of-way to cross Scottsdale Road. In collaboration, traffic signals for northbound and southbound traffic between this segment on Scottsdale Road are set to have a long red to discourage drivers from using Scottsdale Road and get them to use Drinkwater or Goldwater Boulevards.

2. REVIEW OF TONIGHT'S REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

Due to lack of time, agenda items for discussion at the Regular meeting were not reviewed. Chair Olmsted adjourned the Study Session and the Commission reconvened for the Regular meeting.

3. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, Chair Olmsted adjourned the Study Session at 6:29 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>