



**Minutes  
City of Tempe Transportation Commission  
Multi-modal Planning & Project Review Committee  
June 10, 2009**

**"Unratified A.R.S.§38-431.05"**

Minutes of the city of Tempe Transportation Commission Multi-modal Planning & Project Review Committee held on Wednesday June 10, 2009 at 3:30 p.m. at the City of Tempe Transportation Center Office, Bus Conference Room, 200 E. 5th Street, Tempe, Arizona.

**Members Present:** John Minett, Aaron Golub, Judi Nelson, Rebecca Clark, Neils Koepke, Peter Schelstraete, Ben Goren, Lucy Logan

**Members Absent:** Catherine Mayorga, Roy Hoyt, Steve Bass, Aaron Golub, Joan Westlake, Rebecca Clark, Bryan Young, Marcellus Lisotta

**Guests:** none

**City Staff Present:** Dawn M. Coomer, Robert Yabes, Tanya Chavez, Gregg Kent

**Agenda Item 1 – Consideration of Minutes – April 8, 2009**

Minutes approval was deferred until July meeting.

**Agenda Item 2 – Public Appearances**

No public appearances.

**Agenda Item 3 –Broadway Road**

There was considerable discussion regarding the project. Specifically the following was discussed:

- Overview on the prior public meetings held, project goals and where we are in the process.
- Pedestrian crossings other than traffic lights. Recommendation for crossing for Sierra Vista.
- Lucy Logan recommended swapping the location of the block fence to be on the north side of the trees on the north side of Broadway Road.
- Ben Goren suggested increasing bicycle lanes an additional three feet for bicyclists' safety.
- Committee support to proceed with the 2/2 recommended design.

**Agenda Item 4 – LRT Infrastructure**

Gregg Kent gave an overview of current bicycle guidelines on the METRO. He advised of Tempe bike parking locations on and near the light rail stations.

**Agenda Item 5 – South Corridor Study**

Staff distributed a memo providing information on the Tempe South Corridor Study, including an overview of the project evaluation process, public input, recent Council direction and future steps. Tempe and Chandler are working with METRO on a 24-month study to analyze potential high capacity transit improvements for the Tempe South Corridor. Based upon the analysis, the two highest performing options are the Mill Avenue Modern Streetcar and Rural Road Bus Rapid Transit (BRT). At the April 9, 2009 Issue Review Session, staff obtained direction from Mayor and Council to advance Modern Streetcar on Mill/Southern and Bus Rapid Transit on Rural Road. All other options were dismissed from future analysis, including light rail on Rural Road. The map included with the memo shows the highest performing options. The METRO team is currently modeling the highest performing alternatives. After further technical analysis and additional public feedback, a recommendation for a locally preferred alternative will be presented to the public and advanced to Council for final consideration later this year.

**Agenda Item 6 – Volunteer Trip to Portland of the Committee**

Deferred to a future meeting.

**Agenda Item 7 – Written Goals & Purpose of the Committee**

There was considerable discussion regarding this topic. Specifically the following was discussed:

- Historical Overview of committee
- Purpose of the committee
- Overview of projects
- Creation goals/objectives for the committee

**Agenda Item 8 – Multi-modal Accidents**

Peter Schelstraete requested a review of bicycle and pedestrian accidents. Staff agreed to work on a map plotting bicycle and pedestrian related accidents and present before the committee at a future date.

**Agenda Item 9 – Future Agenda Items**

- Pedestrian and bicycle accidents
- Speed bumps
- Bike laws
- Street closures
- Changing bus routes
- Update on College Ave/Maple/Mitchell Park East/West traffic calming projects.

**Agenda Item 10 Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

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