

**Minutes**  
**City of Tempe Transportation Commission**  
**Multi-modal Planning & Project Review Committee**  
**February 10, 2010**

Minutes of the city of Tempe Transportation Commission Multi-modal Planning & Project Review Committee held on Wednesday February 10 , 2010 at 3:30 p.m. at the City of Tempe Transportation Center Office, Bus Conference Room, 200 E. 5th Street, Tempe, Arizona.

**Members Present:** Neils Koepke (bicycle advocate), Peter Schelstraete, Ben Goren, Steve Bass (former Transportation Commission), John Minett (former Bike Committee), Rebecca Clark (TBAG), Marcellus Lisotta, Bryan Young, Judi Nelson (ASU)

**Members Absent:** Lucy Logan (former Bike Committee), Roy Hoyt (former Bike Committee), Joan Westlake (former Commission), Aaron Golub (TBAG)

**Guests:** none

**City Staff Present:** Eric Iwersen, Tanya Chavez

**Agenda Item 1 – Public Appearances**

No public appearances.

**Agenda Item 2 –8<sup>th</sup> Street Streetscape Concept Project**

Staff presented a new streetscape concept project for 8<sup>th</sup> St. between Rural and McClintock, including the Creamery Rail Spur and the crossing of Rural Rd and connections to the light rail line and ASU. The project is commencing in Spring 2010 with a local landscape architecture team, AECOM, leading a public, staff and stakeholder process to develop concepts for new streetscape character along the corridor. The project will include review of parking, lighting, landscaping, pathways, adjacent redevelopment and historic structures. The committee had the following ideas/comments:

- Decrease vehicular traffic speed and volumes
- Provide an off-street pathway
- Review crime statistics to determine trouble spots
- Preserve history of the area and provide educational components
- Provide connection to University Drive, north/south links
- Provide better bicycle access

**Agenda Item 3 –El Paso Gasline Path Project**

Staff informed the committee that federal CMAQ funding had been obtained for a future path connection along the El Paso Gasline corridor, south of Baseline Road, from Rural Road to Kiwanis Park. The path design will commence in approx. 2013.

**Agenda Item 4 –Tempe South Update**

Staff will present more information at upcoming meetings.

**Agenda Item 5 –8<sup>th</sup> Bike Hero Award**

Several nominations were received for the annual bike hero award and Bicycle Cellar was selected to receive this year's award. Representatives from Bicycle Cellar will be presented with a recognition plaque and artwork during bike month at a Tempe City Council meeting.

**Agenda Item 6 – Capital Improvement Project Updates**

- Maple Ash & Mitchell Park East/West Traffic Calming – staff is negotiating with a contract to build all temporary test elements; construction is anticipated to begin in Spring
- College Ave Traffic Calming – final plans are being developed and packaged for public bid
- Western Canal & HAWK Crossings – path project is at 95% completion
- Downstream Dam Bike/Ped Bridge – Council has approved a contractor for construction of the bridge that is anticipated to begin in Summer
- Crosscut Canal Path – staff is preparing bid package; construction is anticipated to begin in Summer

**Agenda Item 7 – Other Transportation Updates & Future Agenda Items**

- Bus route changes
- Bicycle Cellar
- Speed Bumps
- Pedestrian & Bicycle Accidents
- Bicycle Roundabouts/Traffic Circles
- Bicycle Access @ Rural/Southern – Tempe Library Complex

**Agenda Item 8 – Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

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