

Transportation Technical Advisory Committee

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2016 – 10:00 AM

CAG Conference Room | 1075 South Idaho Road, Suite 300, Apache Junction, AZ 85119

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Curtis Ward - *Chair*
(Payson)

Charla Glendening - *Phone*
(ADOT - MPD)

Kathy Borquez
(Pinal County)

Dedrick Denton
(Pinal County)

Charles Russell - *Phone*
(San Carlos Apache Tribe)

Sylvia Kerlock - *Phone*
(Winkelman)

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Tom Homan
(Gila County)

Jerry Barnes
(Globe)

Sandra Shade
(Ak-Chin Indian Community)

Anna Flores
(Kearny)

Joe Heatherly
(Miami)

Tim Grier
(Star Valley)

Todd Pryor
(Superior)

Tara Chief
(White Mountain Apache Tribe)

VACANT
(Hayden)

VACANT
(Mammoth)

OTHERS PRESENT:

Jason Bottjen
(ADOT – LPA)

Tom Engel
(ADOT Southeast District)

Alice Templeton – *Phone*
(Gordley Group)

Rick Powers
(Jacobs)

Kazi Haque
(City of Maricopa)

CAG STAFF:

Travis Ashbaugh
(Transportation Planning Manager)

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Ward called the meeting to order at 10:05 AM in the CAG Conference Room located at 1075 South Idaho Road, Suite 300, Apache Junction, Arizona 85119.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Ward led the Committee in the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. ROLL CALL

Roll call was taken. Five (5) voting members were present constituting a quorum as established by

the CAG TTAC ByLaws. Mr. Ashbaugh, at this time, read a statement of where and how to file a complaint with regard to Title VI violations.

IV. INTRODUCTIONS

Introductions were made by those present in the room and on the phone.

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – (August 10, 2016)

Chair Ward asked if there were any additions or corrections to be made to the August 10, 2016 minutes. There were no comments. Chair Ward then asked for a motion to approve the August 10, 2016 CAG TTAC minutes as presented. Ms. Borquez made the motion and Ms. Kerlock seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

VI. STANDING REPORTS

A. Member Jurisdictions

Payson

Chair Ward reported on three (3) items:

1. Work on the installation of the second set of warning signs that were funded through HSIP funds are 95 percent complete.
2. The Town is heavy in the process of completing the latest design component of Right of Way acquisition for the Bonita Street project (**Project # PAY 16-01C**) for Fiscal Year 2017 Surface Transportation Program (STP) funds. There are approximately 37 parcels still in need for fee title or a temporary construction easement.
3. A “kick-off” meeting took place on October 11, 2016 for the design of the Longhorn Road and McLane Road roundabout project (**Project # PAY 19-02D**) for Fiscal Year 2016 STP Funds. Construction is scheduled for the year 2024.

Pinal County

Ms. Borquez reported on two (2) items:

1. The Hunt Highway Phase I project (**Project # PNL 11-01H**) was completed in the year 2014 and request that it be removed from the TIP under the “High Priority Projects Program” section.
2. The Kelvin Bridge Replacement project (**Project # PNL 00-01B**) is tentatively to be advertised in November of 2016, with construction to begin in the first quarter of calendar year 2017. The local funds for the project have been submitted to ADOT in order to move forward.

San Carlos Apache Tribe

Mr. Russell reported on three (3) items:

1. The BIA Route 6 safety project that included a slurry seal was completed about three months ago.
2. The design for a local intersection improvement project has been completed. The Tribe is in process of transferring funds to ADOT for their share of the project.
3. The US 70 High School Turn Lanes – Phase II project (**Project # SCA 16-01C, TRACS # H8859**) design has been completed. The IGA is currently being updated as the

additional HSIP funds that were approved in recently also increased the Local Match. The Tribe is working on submitting the additional local match to ADOT once the IGA update has been completed.

Winkelman

Ms. Kerlock made an invitation announcement for the centennial celebration of the Town's historic bridge built in the year 1916 for October 15, 2016. She provided some background and historical information regarding the bridge as well.

B. Multi-Modal Planning Organization

Ms. Glendening deferred her time to Alice Templeton, a public involvement consultant with the Gordon Group, who is working on the ADOT Long Range Transportation Plan and will be presenting under a later agenda item.

C. Local Public Agency, ADOT

Mr. Bottjen reported on three (3) items:

1. The call for projects for Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) funds will be coming out in January of 2017.
2. The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) has issued their final rule making on the new Right of Way guidelines and that communication from the Local Public Agency (LPA) section of ADOT will be forthcoming. He also stated the easiest way to receive these updates is to sign up through the GovDelivery system ADOT has in place.
3. The first phase of the framework for the Transportation Enhancement Program, aka "tourist program," is currently in ADOT's internal review process. He also announced that the "Off-system Bridge Program" is next.

D. District Engineers, ADOT

ADOT Southeast District

Mr. Engel, ADOT Southeast District Development Engineer, reported on five (5) items:

1. The "US 60 Oak Flats to Miami" passing lane project is near completion as all final pavement has been installed.
2. The "US 60 Queen Creek Tunnel" lighting project is near completion. He stated that the tunnel would be closed for the week during the night to pressure wash the walls.
3. The "Silver King-Superior Streets" project is about 64 percent completed and has about another year left to go.
4. The "SR 77/SR 177-MP145" paving project that is north of Winkelman is still under construction, but it should be wrapping up soon.
5. The "SR 77 Near Summit" rock fall mitigation project still waiting to get started and will provide further updates on traffic control when available.

E. CAG Transportation Planning Update

Mr. Ashbaugh reported on two (2) items:

1. The "Highway Performance Monitoring System (HPMS)" counts have finally started,

with the Town of Superior to benefit first. Other counts will follow shortly thereafter within the CAG Transportation Boundaries.

2. A Request for Proposals (RFPs) was officially sent out on October 5, 2016 for the **“CAG Greater Gila County Transit Feasibility and Implementation Study.”**

VII. OLD BUSINESS

A. Surface Transportation Program (STP) Presentations

Mr. Ashbaugh stated that during last TTAC, the members requested to open the call for projects concerning available STP funds within the CAG Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). No member agencies submitted a project for consideration.

However, CAG submitted three applications in order to conduct the Highway Performance Monitoring System portion of the CAG Work Program approved with ADOT. Mr. Ashbaugh presented that CAG is asking for \$50,000 for each application to conduct traffic counts under the HPMS Work Program element for Fiscal Years 2025, 2026, and 2027.

B. Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

After the presentations were made from the call of STP projects, Chair Ward then asked for a motion concerning the presented applications.

Ms. Borquez then made a motion to recommend approval the three STP projects in the amount of \$50,000 each for traffic counts under the HPMS portion of the CAG Work Program approved with ADOT for Fiscal Years 2025, 2026, and 2027; and to remove the Hunt Highway Phase I project (**Project # PNL 11-01H**), with Ms. Glendening seconding the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

ADOT Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) – MetroQuest Interactive Online Survey

Ms. Templeton, a public involvement consultant with the Gordon Group working on the ADOT Long Range Transportation Plan, provided information concerning the “MetroQuest Interactive Online Survey” that is open until November 11, 2016. She stated that the survey allows an individual to determine where a set amount of transportation dollars should be allocated within the six priorities listed below.

1. Preservation
2. Expansion
3. Safety
4. Technology
5. Accessibility
6. Maintenance & Operations

Ms. Templeton stated that the survey went live on September 20, 2016 and already has had over 1,150 people do the survey. She stated that it only takes about 5-10 minutes to complete. She encouraged everyone to take the survey and to share the survey with everyone. Mr. Ashbaugh stated he would provide the link and information to CAG Management Committee and CAG Regional Council while encouraging them share the information as well. The link to the survey is

www.whatmovesyouarizona.metroquest.com.

IX. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Chair Ward opened the floor for the call to the public. No one answered the call to the public.

X. SCHEDULING OF NEXT MEETING

Mr. Ashbaugh stated the next meeting is scheduled for November 10, 2016 at 10:00 am and will be held at the Gila County Public Works Conference Room located at 745 Rose Mofford Way, Globe, AZ 85501.

Mr. Ashbaugh requested to schedule a December 15, 2016 TTAC meeting to capture time specific items for the TTAC to discuss and provide approval recommendations.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Ward asked for a motion to adjourn. Ms. Borquez made a motion to adjourn, and Chair Ward seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 10:53 AM.