

**Phoenix City Council
Transportation and Infrastructure Subcommittee
Summary Minutes
Tuesday, June 13, 2017**

City Council Subcommittee Room
Phoenix City Hall, Assembly Rooms A, B and C
200 W. Washington St.
Phoenix, Ariz.

Subcommittee Members Present

Councilwoman Thelda Williams, Chair
Vice Mayor Laura Pastor
Councilman Daniel Valenzuela
Councilwoman Kate Gallego

Subcommittee Members Absent

Call to Order

Chairwoman Williams called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m. with Vice Mayor Pastor, and Councilwoman Gallego present.

Call to the Public

None

1. For Approval or Correction, the Minutes of the Transportation and Infrastructure Subcommittee Meetings on May 9, 2017

Councilwoman Gallego motioned to approve the May 9, 2017 minutes from the Transportation and Infrastructure Subcommittee Meeting. Vice Mayor Pastor seconded the motion, which passed 3-0.

Items 2-9 are for Consent Action.

2. Authorization to Apply for and Accept Federal Funding for Transportation Projects in Federal Fiscal Years 2018, 2020, 2021, 2022

3. Apply for and Accept Funds and Enter into Intergovernmental Agreements with the Flood Control District of Maricopa County for Flood Control Projects under the Capital Improvement Projects Prioritization Process

Councilwoman Gallego stated there is not enough funding for flood control projects in the South Mountain Community. She stated that this week she will be sending a letter to Maricopa County asking them to move towards historic funding levels for flood control to go back to previous levels, even when the levels were higher funding levels, there was still great need. She also stated that staff is moving forward with three very important projects. There are no projects on this list in the South Mountain area and she wants her constituents to know that staff is working to find funding, and the 27th Avenue and Dobbins project is a high priority.

Councilman Valenzuela joined the meeting at 9:07 a.m.

4. **Agreement with Competitor Group, Inc., to Host the Rock-N-Roll Marathon from 2018 to 2021**
5. **SR85 Landfill Gas Developer Award**
6. **October 2017 Service Changes**
7. **Fare Policy Amendment to Light Rail Ticket Partnership Program**
8. **Retroactive Authorization to Apply for and Accept Grant Funds and Enter into Grant Agreement**
9. **Citywide Demographic Study**

Councilwoman Gallego motioned to approve consent items 2 through 9. Vice Mayor Pastor seconded the motion, which passed 4-0.

Items 10-14 are for Information Only.

10. **Metro, Regional Public Transportation Authority, and Maricopa Association of Governments Meetings**
11. **Citizens Transportation Commission Meetings**
12. **Participation in the Regional ADA Platinum Pass Program**
13. **Phoenix Transportation 2050 - Bus Rapid Transit Program**
14. **Dobbins Road Design Concept Report Update - Dobbins Road: 67th Avenue to Central Avenue**

Items 10 through 14 were for information only, no questions were asked.

15. **Transportation 2050 Maintenance of Pavement for Arterial and Major Collector Streets for Fiscal Years 2020 and 2021**

Deputy City Manager Mario Paniagua introduced Street Transportation Director Ray Dovalina, Deputy Street Transportation Director Mark Glock and Civil Engineer Ryan Stevens to present information about item 15.

Mr. Dovalina provided a brief overview of the FY2020 and FY2021 pavement maintenance project for arterial and major collector streets.

Mr. Glock described the classifications, total miles and funding sources of Phoenix streets. He described the cost per mile, average treatment life and ideal applicability of street treatment types.

Mr. Stevens described how the Street Transportation Department evaluates the condition of streets. He also described the next steps of the FY2020 and FY2021 pavement maintenance program.

Councilwoman Gallego asked how the Street Transportation Department repairs potholes, even if the entire street may not need repair. Mr. Glock explained the process Street Transportation field staff uses to evaluate and repair potholes.

Councilwoman Gallego asked what is the maintenance cycle for streets funded by AHUR. Mr. Glock answered the maintenance cycle for streets funded by AHUR is approximately 12 years.

Vice Mayor Pastor asked how do residents report streets that need maintenance. Mr. Dovalina answered residents can call 602-662-6641 to report streets that need maintenance. Mr. Glock mentioned the Street Transportation Department has rapid responders to repair potholes.

Councilwoman Gallego motioned to approve item 15. Councilman Valenzuela seconded the motion, which passed 4-0.

16. City of Phoenix Complete Streets Policy

Street Transportation Director Ray Dovalina introduced Special Projects Administrator Mark Melnychenko and Complete Street Advisory Board (CSAB) Member Silvia Urrutia to present information about the Phoenix Complete Streets Policy.

Mr. Melnychenko described the components of the Complete Streets Policy. He stated the City partnered with stakeholders to develop a policy that is clear, defined and understandable. He stated the Street Transportation Department wants to incorporate complete street design elements into existing design guidelines. He stated the policy has been presented to the Environment Quality Commission, Development Advisory Board, technical and legal staff and the Planning Commission. He stated the Planning Commission advised the Street Transportation Department and CSAB to refine the policy to ensure all stakeholders and the development community are onboard. He stated the Street Transportation Department and CSAB presented the policy again to the Planning Commission. He stated the Planning Commission passed the policy unanimously and advised the Street Transportation Department and CSAB continuously work with the development community and other stakeholders.

Ms. Urrutia stated the Street Transportation Department and CSAB conducted a comprehensive outreach process for the development of the policy. She stated the process fostered discussions and gathered input from the community and stakeholders.

Mr. Melnychenko mentioned the Complete Streets Policy is integrated into numerous city initiatives and projects. Mr. Melnychenko stated staff requests the Transportation and Infrastructure Subcommittee recommend City Council approval of the Complete Streets Policy.

Chair Williams called for public comment on the item.

CSAB Member Raymundo Cabrera stated his support of the policy, and that the policy provides support of all modes of transportation.

Citizen Jack Davis stated his support of the policy and that it is in the best interest of the city to move the policy forward.

Citizen Haley T. Ritter stated her support of the policy and thanked staff for its continuous progress of the Bike Master Plan.

Vitalyst Health Foundation Representative C.J. Hager stated the foundation has been involved in the development of the Complete Streets Policy for many years. She stated the foundation believes the design of cities impacts public health.

American Heart Association Representative Nicole Olmstead stated the association supports the policy. She stated the association has been involved in the development of the Complete Streets Policy. She noted increasing active modes of transportation decreases chronic disease and obesity.

Councilwoman Gallego asked if the CSAB assists with prioritizing street and transit projects. Mr. Melnychenko stated the CSAB is involved in prioritizing street projects.

Councilwoman Gallego asked if the Planning Commission asked the Street Transportation and CSAB to put the policy on hold until all stakeholders are onboard. Mr. Melnychenko answered the Planning Commission voted unanimously on the policy and advised the Street Transportation Department and CSAB to continuously work with stakeholders and the development community.

Councilwoman Gallego suggested the City research successful complete street policies from other cities.

Chair Williams stated there was another card for public comment.

Citizen Greta Rogers stated the City needs a realistic 5-year plan to address street maintenance.

Chairwoman Williams thanked the members of the CSAB for their commitment.

Vice Mayor Pastor motioned to approve item 16. She noted the Community and Economic Development Department should be involved in the development of guidelines for the Complete Streets Policy.

Councilman Valenzuela seconded the motion. He stated street design impacts public health and safety.

Mr. Melnychenko mentioned the Office of Environmental Programs has been instrumental in the development of the policy.

Item 16 passed 4-0.

17. Transit Safety and Security Improvements

Deputy City Manager Mario Paniagua introduced Public Transit Director Maria Hyatt, Director of High Capacity Transit Albert Santana and Transit Enforcement Unit Commander Brad Burt to present information about transit safety and security improvements.

Ms. Hyatt provided a brief history of transit security investment in the Transit 2000 and Transportation 2050 plans.

Mr. Burt explained the current and proposed staffing levels of the Transit Enforcement Unit (TEU).

Ms. Hyatt explained the structure of the safety and security FY2017-18 budget.

Mr. Burt described the benefits of officers using bicycles to patrol bus and light rail transportation, and how that type of enforcement differs from using patrol vehicles.

Ms. Hyatt stated staff recommendation.

Chair Williams calls for public comment.

Citizen Reid Butler recognize the Police Department for the consistent presence and assistance in his community.

Citizen Diane Barker stated the community should feel empowered and safe to use the transit system.

Councilwoman Gallego asked why police assistants are not an option within the proposed recommendation. Mr. Burt answered that sworn officers have a broader scope of capabilities when compared to police assistants, but that the

assistants are able to aid police officers and provide additional security on the transit system.

Councilwoman Gallego requested staff to look for opportunities to utilize police assistants to provide additional security on the transit system.

Councilwoman Gallego mentioned the challenge of repeat homeless offenders committing the same violations on the light rail. She asked if there is an opportunity for additional investment to enhance security technology and personnel on the transit system. Mr. Santana answered there are cameras located at every light rail platform and Valley Metro plans to upgrade the camera system on light rail platforms. He stated there are security personnel who monitor cameras on light rail platforms and in turn supports the Police Department with investigations. Ms. Hyatt stated that buses also have cameras that support Police.

Chairwoman Williams noted transit security is a priority of the community.

Vice Mayor Pastor asked what are the differences in authority and oversight of police officers and private security. Mr. Burt answered private security has the authority to enforce transit rules inside the light rail train and police officers have the authority to arrest on any violations and City ordinances.

Vice Mayor Pastor asked how police assistants help TEU. Mr. Burt answered police assistants help TEU secure prisoners, run checks on individuals and provide civilian enforcement of laws.

Vice Mayor Pastor commented that \$1.1 million of \$2 million enhanced security funding is being spent on private security. She also asked if only TEU officers have the authority to respond to transit crime. Mr. Santana answered police officers from the closest precinct can respond to transit crime.

Councilwoman Gallego asked whether transit riders have the ability to report incidents on light rail platforms. Ms. Hyatt answered there are call boxes on all light rail platforms and Valley Metro is developing text messaging functionality to add to the transit mobile application.

Chair Williams stated there was an additional public comment card.

Citizen Haley Ritter stated she has noticed an increase in private security on the light rail and that it feels safe.

Vice Mayor Pastor motioned to approve item 17.

Vice Mayor Pastor asked if Phoenix light rail platforms are considered to be smart light rail platforms. Mr. Santana answered staff would compare Phoenix

light rail platforms to other smart light rail platforms and provide that information to the subcommittee at a later Subcommittee date.

Based Councilwoman Gallego's request, the motion included direction to staff to utilize additional police assistants for transit security where possible.

Councilman Valenzuela seconded the motion.

The item passed 4-0.

Call to Public

Citizen Diane Barker stated the public should feel safe using the transit system.

Citizen Greta Rogers stated property tax should be reevaluated each year and amended to provide adequate funding for infrastructure maintenance.

Request for Future Agenda Items

None

Adjournment

Chairwoman Williams adjourned the meeting at 10:32 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kelly Murray
Management Intern

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