

Minutes City of Tempe Transportation Commission Multi-modal Planning & Project Review Committee February 9, 2011

Minutes of the city of Tempe Transportation Commission Multi-modal Planning & Project Review Committee held on Wednesday February 9, 2011 at 3:30 p.m. at the City of Tempe Transportation Center Office, Bus Conference Room, 200 E. 5th Street, Tempe, Arizona.

Members Present: Marcellus Lisotta (Commissioner), Bryan Young (Commissioner), Peter Schelstraete (Commissioner),

Phillip Luna (Commissioner), Ben Goren (Commissioner), Aaron Golub (TBAG), John Minett (former Bike

Committee), MaryKaye Black (Coalition of Arizona Bicyclists), Niels Koepke (former Bike Committee)

<u>Members Absent</u>: Judi Nelson (ASU), Lucy Logan (former Bike Committee), Roy Hoyt (former Bike Committee), Joan

Westlake (former Commission),

City Staff Present: Bonnie Richardson

Agenda Item 1 – Public Appearances No public appearances.

Agenda Item 2 – Approval of Minutes from January 12, 2011 Minutes were approved.

Agenda Item 3 – Tempe Streetcar Project Nancy Ryan, Sr. Planner staff liaison to the Tempe Streetcar Community Working Group, provided current information about the project and presented aerial maps with the proposed rail alignment, noting comments. Committee members raised questions about bicycle and pedestrian safety, power stations, solar power at stops, and other improvements to enhance the system. The regular Community Working Group meetings are held the fourth Monday of each month at 5 p.m. at 200 E. Fifth Street in the Don Cassano Community Room. Nancy indicated that the next meeting, February 28, will focus on the alignment from Apache to Southern Ave., and the area north of Apache to Rio Salado Parkway is scheduled for the March 28 meeting.

<u>Agenda Item 4 – Bike Events</u> Bonnie gave a brief update on the 20th annual Bike to Work Day scheduled for April 20. Sue Taaffe will provide more details at the March meeting. MaryKaye provided information on the 13th annual CAzB Bike Swap Meet on Saturday, March 12, from 7:00 am to 12:00 pm at Phoenix Municipal Stadium, 56th St. south of Van Buren.

Agenda Item 5 - Capital Improvement Project Updates (Bonnie)

- College Ave Traffic Calming project is proceeding on schedule
- Crosscut Canal Path an opening celebration will be scheduled for spring, 2011
- Broadway Road Streetscape the project is in final design and includes new bike lanes and street trees as well as a
 wall on the north side of Broadway; Robert Yabes will report at next month's meeting.
- Western Canal Bryan Young noted the former access to the canal has been eliminated, leaving approx. 60 ft. of dirt without pedestrian path. Staff will update committee at next meeting.

Agenda Item 6 – Other Transportation Updates & Future Agenda Items

- Future agenda items to include issue of trash on bridge sidewalks.
- an update/discussion of the Urban Open Space Plan and the draft Downtown Streetscape Guidelines,
- the volunteer bike count at 40 intersections organized by TBAG,
- bicycle accident statistics on Rural Rd.,
- CAzB Bike Swap Meet,
- next meeting: March 9, 2011

Agenda Item 7 - Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 5:15 pm.

Prepared by: Bonnie Richardson