
Minutes
City of Tempe Transportation Commission
Multi-modal Planning & Project Review Committee
December 12, 2007

Minutes of the city of Tempe Transportation Commission Multi-modal, Planning & Project Review Committee held on Wednesday, December 12, 2007 at 3:30 p.m. at the Tempe Transit Office, 20 E. Sixth Street, Tempe, Arizona.

Members Present: Roy Hoyt, John Minett, Judi Nelson, Steve Bass

Members Absent: Niels Koepke, Lucy Logan, Catherine Mayorga, Corey Woods, Marcellus Lisotta, Chris Crosby, Joan Westlake, Bryan Young

City Staff Present: Eric Iwersen, Marc Pearsall, Bonnie Richardson, Dawn M. Coomer

Guests: None

Agenda Item 1 – Consideration of Minutes from November 14, 2007

Minutes were accepted as presented

Agenda Item 2 – Public Appearances

No public comment.

Agenda Item 3 – Bike Achievement Award

Staff and committee agreed to move forward with the effort to recognize a person or organization in Tempe, annually, that has provided significant support for local bicycling. In the January meeting of the committee, membership will nominate an award recipient for recommendation to full commission in February. The award will be presented at “bike-apalooza” and a city council meeting.

Agenda Item 4 – Maple Ash & Mitchell Park East & West Traffic Calming

Eric Iwersen presented an update of traffic calming concepts and summary of public meetings held in December. The project involves new traffic calming concepts for the 3 neighborhoods including traffic circles, chicanes, star diverters and possible street closures. Testing of measures will happen in spring or summer. Public feedback is being accepted through January 31, 2008.

Agenda Item 5 – Light Rail Project Update

Dawn M. Coomer presented information on the following

- Tempe South Corridor Study: public presentations and data collection is ongoing regarding exploration of future high capacity transit corridor in Tempe. Possible technologies included: light rail, BRT and modern streetcar and the project will link to the nearly operational LRT line now under construction.
- Station Area Planning: This project is developing station area plans for Apache Blvd. light rail stations. A draft report is expected from the consultant team by the end of January 2008. This draft document will undergo additional public review and then revised into a final document.
- Opening Day Celebrations: staff is preparing for light rail opening day celebrations in December 2008.

Agenda Item 6 – Other Project Updates:

- Committee Name: committee named was changed to read: “Multi-modal Planning and Project Review”
- Crosscut Canal Path Phase II: Eric Iwersen presented a project update; a public meeting was held in early December and design team is working on concepts to be presented to public in spring 2008.
- Rio Salado South Bank Path: project is being awarded for construction and will begin in spring 2008.

Agenda Item 7 – Future Agenda Items

Railroad quiet zone

Agenda Item 8 – Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 5pm

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