



**Minutes**  
**City of Tempe Meeting of the Transportation Commission**  
**June 13, 2023**

Minutes of the meeting of Tempe Transportation Commission held on Tuesday, June 13, 2023 at 7:30 a.m. via Cisco Webex and at the Tempe Transportation Center located at 200 E. Fifth Street, Tempe AZ 85281.

**(MEMBERS) Present:**

Stevie Milne  
Dawn Hocking  
Amanda Nelson  
Robert Miller  
Paul Hubbell  
James Dwyer  
Alana Chavez Langdon

Pam Goronkin  
Brian Fellows  
JC Porter  
David Sokolowski  
Peter Schelstraete  
Bobbie Cassano

**(MEMBERS) Absent:**

Susan Conklu  
David King

**City Staff Present:**

Shelly Seyler, Interim Engineering & Transportation Director  
Sue Taaffe, Senior Management Assistant  
Keith Burke, Deputy City Manager  
Cathy Hollow, City Traffic Engineer  
Shauna Warner, Neighborhood Program Manager  
Julian Dresang, Deputy Engineering & Transportation Director  
Dan Filippino, Transportation Planner

Bonnie Richardson, Principal Planner  
Sam Stevenson, Interim Transit Manager  
Chase Walman, Principal Planner  
Abel Gunn, Transportation Financial Analyst  
Ellie Volosin, Senior Civil Engineer  
Lyle Begiebing, Transportation Planner  
Trevor Malzewski, Intern

**Guests Present:**

Katie Boligitz  
John Federico

Susan Tierney  
Kath DeBoer

Commission Chair Amanda Nelson called the meeting to order at 7:35 a.m.

**Agenda Item 1 – Public Appearances**

None

**Agenda Item 2 – Minutes**

Amanda Nelson introduced the minutes of the May 9, 2023 meeting of the Transportation Commission and asked for a motion for approval.

**Motion:** Commissioner Dawn Hocking

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**Second:** Commissioner Pam Goronkin

**Decision:** Approved by Commissioners

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Robert Miller  
Paul Hubbell  
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JC Porter  
David Sokolowski  
James Dwyer

**Abstained:**

Peter Schelstraete  
Bobbie Cassano

### **Agenda Item 3 – Valley Metro Intercept Survey**

Kathy DeBoer with WestGroup Research and Susan Tierney with Valley Metro presented the findings from the 2023 Valley Metro Intercept Survey. Topics included:

- Background
- Methodology
- Security
- Perceptions of passengers
- Incidents on the system
- Alert VM app
- Overall satisfaction with system

Discussion included:

- Comparison of Valley Metro survey results with other transit agencies
- Declining satisfaction with light rail
- Cleanliness of buses, stops and light rail
- Customer experience coordinators
- Male vs. female respondents as compared to who uses the system
- Characterization of homeless people
- Bad customer behavior
- Timeline for Action Plan

### **Agenda Item 4 – Mill Avenue and Fifth Street All-Pedestrian Phase Update**

Cathy Hollow and Ellie Volosin presented the findings from the Mill Avenue and Fifth Street All-Pedestrian Phase pilot program. Topics included:

- Overview
- Pre-launch analysis
- Pilot test implementation
- Pilot test data collection
- Public input
- Next steps

Discussion included why younger people like the configuration, non-compliance, how it impacts the disabled community and user confusion.

A motion was made to continue the pilot program for six more months.

**Motion:** Commissioner David Sokolowski

**Second:** Commissioner Stevie Milne

**Decision:** Approved by Commissioners

Stevie Milne

Amanda Nelson

Alana Chavez Langdon

David Sokolowski

James Dwyer

Brian Fellows

JC Porter

**Nay:**

Pam Goronkin

Bobbie Cassano

Dawn Hocking

Robert Miller

**Abstained:**

Peter Schelstraete

Paul Hubbell

**Agenda Item 5 – Maricopa Association of Governments and US Department of Transportation Grants**

Chase Walman provided an overview of the grants available through the Maricopa Association of Governments and US Department of Transportation. Topics included:

- Typical grant process
- Grants currently being pursued
- Recently awarded grants
- Next steps

Discussion included grants for bike path sweepers.

**Agenda Item 6 – Shared Active Transportation Vehicles (SATV)**

Julian Dresang updated the Commission on the status of SATV's in Tempe. Topics included:

- Licensing guidelines
- Staging & parking requirements
- Exploring adding parking corrals for SATVs in the downtown
- Planning efforts

Discussion included corrals outside of the downtown, parks, parking in residential areas, and geofencing.

**Agenda Item 7 – Upcoming Transportation Public Meetings & Announcements**

None

**Agenda Item 8 – Future Agenda Items**

The following future agenda items have been previously identified by the Commission or staff:

- July 11 - canceled
- August 8
  - Prop 400e

- Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design
- Grade Separated Crossing at UPRR
- Mill Avenue Design Input
- September 12
  - College and University Underpass Project
  - Transportation Management Association and Transportation Demand Management
  - Kyrene/Roosevelt/Farmer Bike Ped Project
  - Orbit Saturn
- October 10
  - Annual Report
  - Alameda Drive Streetscape Project (before and after)
  - Transportation Master Plan
  - Eight Street Bike Ped Project
- November 14
  - Annual Report<sup>78</sup>
  - Roundabouts – data on existing and future plans
  - Personal Delivery Devices
  - Transportation Equity
- December 12
- January 9
  - Commission Business
  - Traffic Bureau Update
- TBD: Bike Bait (once program resumes)
- TBD: Streetcar Fare Implementation
- TBD: CIP Updates

The next meeting is scheduled for August 8, 2023, and the July meeting has been cancelled. The meeting was adjourned 9:01 a.m.

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Reviewed by: Shelly Seyler