

August 6, 2013

TO: Members of the MAG Street Committee

FROM: Charles Andrews, P.E., Chairman

SUBJECT: MEETING NOTIFICATION AND TRANSMITTAL OF TENTATIVE AGENDA

Tuesday, August 13, 2013 - 1:00 p.m.
MAG Office, Suite 200, Chaparral Room
302 North First Avenue, Phoenix

The next meeting of the MAG Street Committee will be held at the time and place noted above. **Please note the earlier starting time of 1:00 pm.** Committee members or their proxies may attend in person, via video-conference or by telephone conference call. Those attending video conference must notify the MAG site three business days prior to the meeting. Those attending by telephone conference please contact MAG offices for conference call instructions.

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The next meeting of the MAG Street Committee will be held at the time and place noted above. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Teri Kennedy or Steve Tate at (602) 254-6300.

TENTATIVE AGENDA

	<u>COMMITTEE ACTION REQUESTED</u>
1. <u>Call to Order</u>	
2. <u>Approval of the April 9, 2013 Meeting Minutes</u>	2. Review and approve the minutes from the April 9, 2013 meeting.
3. <u>Call to the Audience</u> An opportunity will be provided to members of the public to address the Street Committee on items not scheduled on the agenda that fall under the jurisdiction of MAG, or on items on the agenda for discussion but not for action. Members of the public will be requested not to exceed a three minute time period for their comments. A total of 15 minutes will be provided for the Call to the Audience agenda item, unless the Street Committee requests an exception to this limit. Please note that those wishing to comment on action agenda items will be given an opportunity at the time the item is heard.	3. For information.
4. <u>Transportation Programming Manager's Report</u> The MAG Transportation Programming Manager will review recent transportation planning activities and upcoming agenda items for MAG Committees and other related regional transportation activities.	4. For information and discussion.
5. <u>Request for 2nd Deferral of the Construction Phase of Surprise Dove Valley Paving Project</u> The City of Surprise is requesting to defer the construction phase of Dove Valley paving project due to right-of-way issues. The project was previously deferred and must, per MAG programming policies, be reviewed by MAG member committees to establish that the sponsoring agency has continuously worked on the project since it was deferred and that the cause of the delay is due to non financial	5. For information and potential action to recommend approval of deferral request to the Transportation Review Committee

circumstances beyond the control of the sponsoring agency.

At the meeting, staff from the City of Surprise will brief the Committee on the status of the project, the cause of the delay and the ability of the City to complete the project should the approval of the request of the City be approved.

6. Overview and Review of Planning Area Expansion

Since the last meeting of the Committee, the MAG planning area and membership has expanded into Pinal County. MAG staff will brief the Committee on the status of the expansion and provide background information on the anticipated impacts of the expansion on MAG funding, programming and planning activities.

7. Draft FY 2014-2018 MAG Transportation Improvement Program, Listing of Non Arterial Life-Cycle Projects

MAG is in the process of developing a new Transportation Improvement Program. At the meeting, MAG staff will provide a draft listing of non Arterial Life-Cycle Program projects to be included in the TIP.

Adjournment

6. For information and discussion.

7. For information and discussion.

MINUTES OF THE
MARICOPA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS
STREET COMMITTEE

Tuesday April 9, 2013 1:00 p.m.
MAG Offices, Suite 300,
302 North First Avenue, Phoenix, Arizona 85003

MEMBERS ATTENDING

Charles Andrews, Avondale, Chairman	Jack M. Lorbeer, Maricopa County
Steve Beasley ADOT	Maria Deeb, Mesa
* Jose Heredia, Buckeye	* James Shano, Paradise Valley
Dan Cook, Chandler	Ben Wilson, Peoria
Bob Senita, El Mirage	Dana Owsiany for Shane Silsby, Phoenix
* Tony Rodriguez,	* Janet Martin, Queen Creek
Gila River Indian Community	* Elaine Cabrera, Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community
Michael Gillespie, Gilbert	Todd Taylor for Phil Kercher, Scottsdale
Bob Darr, Glendale	Jason Mahkovtz, Surprise
Hugh Bigalk, Goodyear	Shelly Seyler, Tempe
* Gino Turrubiates, Guadalupe	* Jason Earp, Tolleson
Thomas Chlebanowski for Darryl Crossman, Litchfield Park	Grant Anderson, Youngtown

* Members neither present nor represented by Proxy

OTHERS PRESENT

Patrick Stone, ADOT	Suneel Garg, Surprise
Giao Pham, Apache Junction	Klas Kuntze, Wood Petel
Purab Adabala, Glendale	John Bullen, MAG
Bill Passmore, Glendale	Stephen Tate, MAG
Robert Yabes, Tempe	Teri Kennedy, MAG

1. Call to Order

Chairman Charles Andrews called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

2. Approval of the March 12, 2013 Meeting Minutes

Ms Maria Deeb moved approval of the March 12, 2013 meeting minutes. Mr. Bob Senita seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

3. Call to the Audience

There were no members of the public at the meeting who expressed a desire to address the Committee.

4. Transportation Programming Manager's Report

Ms. Teri Kennedy briefed the Committee on pending activities. She noted that the Transportation Review Committee (TRC) would address project TIP changes this month and that members needing changes should submit requests this week to meet the mailing deadline. These changes should include updated cost estimates.

She went on to note that in August a call for projects for federal Transportation Alternative (TA) funding will be issued. The available funding will be for FY 2015, FY 2016 and FY 2017. The Congestion Mitigation Process working group will meet after the TRC meeting to start developing evaluation criteria for projects to be selected for TA funding.

In August, there will also be a call for street sweeper applications to be funded in FY 2014. In May, applications for the bicycle design assistance will be released at the end of May. Also in May, MAG will be collecting data for HPMS and project workbooks will be distributed.

In April, the update for the ALCP will begin. John Bullen will be contacting member agencies.

She concluded by noting that MAG has submitted maps for the smoothed urbanized boundary and that MAG will be looking to review and revise the federal functional classification system. Due to the expansion of the urbanized area, it is anticipated that all of the Gila River Indian Community and the Towns of Maricopa and Florence will become members of MAG.

Ms. Maria Deeb asked about selection criteria for street sweepers. Ms. Kennedy note that the need to address this issue had been outstanding for some time and that she hoped to address the issue at the July meeting of the Committee.

5. Request for Scope Expansion

Mr. Robert Yabes presented for the City of Tempe. He noted that the City was requesting to expand his project to include a larger area and increase CMAQ funding for the project. The area covered would expand from 4.5 miles to 7.5 miles and would require an increase of approximately \$230,000 more CMAQ. This amounts to a 82 percent in the area to be paved for a 41 percent increase in cost.

Ms. Deeb asked if the expanded area had been included in the environmental studies for the expanded area. Mr. Yabes indicated that the area had been included and that the City anticipate that it would have the environmental clearance by late May.

Mr. Anderson noted that the increased funding was available in current year's budget, but wondered if there would be financial impact on projects programmed in future years. Ms. Kennedy noted that there was excess capacity in the TIP and that approving the request would not impact other projects.

The Chairman asked how the cost savings were achieved. Mr. Yabes noted that it was due to economies of scale.

Ms. Deeb asked if Tempe would expand the area to be paved if the Committee denied the request. Mr. Yabes noted that Tempe would attempt to expand as large an area as it could with the funds available to it. Ms. Shelley Seyler noted that expanding the area greatly improved scales of economy that would be difficult to achieve given other commitments and needs of the City.

Mr. Anderson asked how far the area was from a PM-10 monitor. Mr. Yabes indicated that it was approximately a mile away.

Mr. Grant Anderson moved to approve the City of Tempe request to expand the scope of the City of Tempe's Holdeman Neighborhood Alley Stabilization Project and expand CMAQ funding to \$747,823. Mr. Bob Darr seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

6. Request to Defer Change Project Sponsor and Reorganize CMAQ Funded Multi-Use Path Project.

This item was not heard.

7. Request to Defer Project for a Second Time

Mr. Bill Passmore from the City of Glendale briefed the Committee on the Glendale request to defer GLN09-610R. He noted that the project had been deferred previously due to additional time needed to complete a cultural survey that had not been anticipated.

At the time the project was deferred 30 percent plans for the project and all technical reports for the environmental clearance, except for the cultural report had been completed and approved. The cultural survey had been submitted and tentatively approved by ADOT and FHWA, but was rejected in March, 2012 by SHPO as needing additional survey work.

Initially the City assumed that the survey would be limited to the immediate area of the project, but the survey required by SHPO included larger a much larger area be surveyed and this could not be completed in time to avoid deferring the project. This survey was completed in October, 2012. In April, 2013 the environmental clearance is expected to be approved.

Due to the extensive nature of the survey, work on 60 percent plans was placed on hold for most of the period in question. In late March, the City submitted draft 60 percent plans to ADOT. This submission has been returned to Glendale for additional work. As the deadline for completing all the clearances and the design for project is June 30, 2013, it is not feasible to complete the design this fiscal year.

Should the deferral be approved it is anticipated that all needed work to authorize the project will be submitted by the end of July, 2013. This includes the full design package, material memo and the utilities clearance.

Mr. Cook asked for background information on the process used by MAG. Ms. Teri indicated that the criteria for determining a second deferral were as follows:

- the sponsoring agency was making continuous progress in completing the project, and
- the cause of the delay was beyond the control of the sponsoring agency.

If the Committee determined that these criteria were met, it could recommend the deferral of the project. If the Committee did not determine that the criteria had been met, Glendale would need to either get the project authorized this year or appeal directly to the Regional Council for their approval to defer the project.

Mr. Cook noted that the project had been programmed five years ago and that the City didn't start work until 2010 and that the City should have assumed there would be difficulty in completing the cultural survey.

Mr. Passmore noted that on similar projects they had, had no problems. Also, that they had difficulty in determining what SHPO wanted. Eventually the City determined that a larger area than that around the immediate project would need to be surveyed.

Ms. Deeb, the Chairman and Mr. Cook questioned the time line of the project. They noted a multi month lag between SHPO requiring additional survey work and the completion of the work. It was noted by Mr. Passmore that there was confusion by Glendale on what was needed and that some negotiation on what was needed did occur in an attempt to avoid unnecessary expenses.

Mr. Grant Anderson moved to approve the deferral of the City of Glendale project GLN09-610R:Glendale Ave to Glenn Dr and 58th Ave to 57th Ave to FFY 2014. Mr. Jason Mahkovtz seconded the motion. Mr. Steve Beasley abstained. Ms. Deeb and Chairman Andrews voted to reject the motion. All other members attending the meeting voted to approve the motion.

8. Roads and Streets Conference

An opportunity was provided for the members to talk about their experience at the Conference. Mr. Thomas Chlebanowski noted that at the conference ADOT staff indicated that they expected to see faster processing of environmental reviews.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 2:28 p.m.