

**MINUTES OF THE
MARICOPA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS
INTELLIGENT TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS COMMITTEE**

June 3, 2009
MAG Cholla Room, 2nd Floor
302 North First Avenue
Phoenix, Arizona

MEMBERS ATTENDING

Scott Nodes, ADOT	Bob Steele for Nicolaas Swart, Maricopa County
**Soyoung Ahn, ASU	Derrick Bailey for Jeff Jenq, City of Mesa
Gus Woodman, City of Avondale	Ron Amaya, City of Peoria
**Thomas Chlebanowski, Town of Buckeye	Marshall Riegel, City of Phoenix
Mike Mah, City of Chandler	Bob Ciotti, Phoenix Public Transit
Ann FitzGerald for Jenna Mitchell, DPS	Bill Birdwell for Michael Pacelli, Town of Queen Creek
*Jerry Horacek, City of El Mirage	*Bruce Dressel, City of Scottsdale
**Jennifer Brown for Alan Hansen, FHWA	**John Abraham, City of Surprise
Kurt Sharp, Town of Gilbert	Jim Decker, City of Tempe
Avery Rhodes for Debbie Albert, City of Glendale	Arkady Bernshteyn, Valley Metro Rail
Luke Albert, City of Goodyear	

OTHERS PRESENT

Fanzana Yasmin, ADOT	Darrell Bingham, ADOT
Valarie Vacanari, ADOT	Lydia Warnick, ADOT
Tricia Boyer, KHA	Gary Rylander, Rylander Consulting
Jay Yenerich, Telvent	Paul Ward, Olsson Associates
Nolan Hess, Telvent	Marta Gerber, Olsson Associates
Bo Gao, TransCore	Yung Cossar, Morrison Maierle
Bob Grodsky, ENS	Don Wiltshire, Y.S. Mantri
Sarath Joshua, MAG	Armand Ciccarelli, PBS&J
Leo Luo, MAG	Kiran Guntupalli, MAG

*Not present
** Via teleconference

1. Call to Order
Chairman Mike Mah called the meeting to order at 10:03 AM.
2. Approval of May 6, 2009 Meeting Minutes
Ron Amaya moved, Bob Steele seconded and it was unanimously carried to approve minutes of the meeting held on May 6, 2009.
3. Call to Audience

Chairman Mike Mah made a call to the audience providing an opportunity to any members of the public to address the ITS Committee. No comments were received. Darrell Bingham from ADOT introduced Valarie Vacanari to the members of the MAG ITS Committee. Valarie has replaced Terri Johnson at ADOT Procurement, and she will handle all ITS related procurement at ADOT. She will also be helping member agencies with their ITS procurements.

4. Program Manager's Report

Sarath Joshua addressed the following items in his report:

- **Status of MAG RCN Phase 1A Project Implementation**

Lydia Warnick from ADOT was invited to report on the progress of the RCN Phase 1A Project. The fiber optic project completed the installation of the fiber cable and splicing. The test of the project is scheduled. The active electronic project has completed most of the site review except the phoenix fire building. Lydia Warnick requested Marshall Riegel from City of Phoenix to help coordinate the effort for the site review. She also confirmed that a workshop for network configuration is scheduled at ADOT TOC on June 15, 2009.
- **Upcoming ITS projects**

Sarath Joshua mentioned that a Request for Fee Proposal on ITS Strategic Plan was sent to PBS&J. A discussion between MAG and ADOT about utilizing probe vehicle data to populate traveler information is underway. Another project to study the impact of non-recurrent congestion in the region is expected to go out for Request for Proposal in June. He also called for volunteers to server on the technical advisory panel for the project.

5. RCN Roles and Responsibility Document and Workshop

Sarath Joshua mentioned that at the earlier meeting of the RCN Working Group, it was clear that the draft RCN Roles and Responsibility document contained conflicting information. Anthony Torres from TransCore and the RCN Working Group agreed that it was best that the draft document be completely rewritten instead of amending the previous version provided by RCN Working Group. The new draft document would not be ready until July. As a result of this decision, the workshop previously scheduled for June 16 was postponed to mid July. Sarath Joshua said he will provide an updated schedule to the committee members regarding the workshop.

6. FY2010 TSOP Call for Projects

Sarath Joshua mentioned that \$300,000 is available for the FY2010 TSOP program. The total amount could be increased to \$800,000, if at the June 8th special meeting TRC approves the request for additional funding request from MAG for the program. Sarath Joshua encouraged committee members to seek support from TRC members for the program. He also raised the question about giving priority to corridor type TSOP projects through the program. Bob Steele asked if corridor management is eligible. Chairman Mike Mah commented that the program focuses on signal timing. As a result, only the timing coordination should be considered among corridor management strategies. Both Marshall Riegel and Chairman Mike Mah suggested that the committee should make the decision whether to promote corridor type TSOP projects after the TRC meeting, when the total available funding is known. John Abraham from City of Surprise asked if adaptive control such as ACS lite is qualified for the program. Leo Luo mentioned that the TSOP funding itself can't be used for

hardware purchase. Chairman Mike Mah also cautioned that it would be undesirable since one signal system can easily cost as much as an entire program. Sarath Joshua suggested continuing the discussion at the next ITS Committee meeting if TRC approves the additional funding.

7. Federal Fiscal Year 2009 Year End Closeout

Sarath Joshua presented a list of ITS projects involved in the closeout funding process. Chairman Mike confirmed with Sarath Joshua on the priorities of the projects requesting for closeout funding. The decision will be made on June 8 TRC special meeting as mentioned in the previous item.

8. Status Reports by Committee Members on ITS Activities

Marshall Riegel from City of Phoenix reported that their wireless communications project is underway. Fourteen telephone lines that used to connect Phoenix traffic signals have been removed due to connectivity provided by this project. Scott Nodes from ADOT briefly mentioned the development of the Arizona-Sonora 511 system. Darrell Bingham will be presenting the system to the Arizona-Mexico commission and focus on the border wait time information as well as the 511 enhancement project. Arkady Bernshteyn from Metro Rail mentioned that the Light Rail System is fully operational and undergoing fine tuning. Bob Steele from MCDOT mentioned the co-operative effort between agencies on the Bell Road ITS project and the intention to improve the corridor management in the future. Chairman Mike Mah encouraged committee members to access RADS and review signal timings of the region, which he said was a good accomplishment. Ron Amaya from City of Peoria reported on the consultant selection process for Peoria TMC project and the procurement process with ADOT on fiber-wireless communications project. MAG ITS and Safety Program Manager Sarath Joshua mentioned the discussion between MAG and ADOT on the possibility of utilizing INRIX traffic data for FMS traveler information services. Jennifer Brown from FHWA mentioned a coordination effort led by FHWA to develop an Action Plan for Operations with AZTech. The Action Plan will focus more on short-term activities such as training. She indicated that longer term items on operations planning will be directed to the MAG ITS Committee. She indicated that the first workshop will be held at the June AzTech operations committee.

9. Next Meeting Date

Next meeting date was announced at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, July 1, 2009.

10. Adjournment

Chairman Mike Mah adjourned the meeting at 11:15 PM.