

MINUTES OF MARICOPA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS
TRANSPORTATION SAFETY COMMITTEE

April 20, 2010
MAG Cholla Room, 2nd Floor
302 North First Avenue
Phoenix, Arizona

MEMBERS ATTENDING

+Linda Gorman, AAA Arizona	Chris Lemka, City of Glendale
*Tom Burch, AARP	Hugh Bigalk, City of Goodyear
*Kohinoor Kar for Reed Henry, ADOT	Tonya Glass for Chris Plumb, Maricopa
Shane Kiesow, City of Apache Junction	County
*Robert Gray, Arizona State University	Renate Ehm, City of Mesa
Margaret Boone-Pixley, City of	*William Mead, Paradise Valley
Avondale	Jamal Rahimi, City of Peoria
*Martin Johnson, City of Chandler	Kerry Wilcoxon, City of Phoenix
*Lt. Jenna Mitchell, DPS	Paul Porell, City of Scottsdale
Jorge Gastelum, City of El Mirage	+Tracy Eberlein, City of Surprise
*Karen King, FHWA	Julian Dresang, City of Tempe (Chair)
Kurt Sharp, Town of Gilbert	*Gardner Tabon, RPTA

OTHERS PRESENT

+Sanja Grujakovic, City of Mesa	Vinay Vanapalli, Stantec
Richard Janke, City of Glendale	Lauren Neu, Stand Associates
Debbie Albert, City of Glendale	Sarath Joshua, MAG
Krishna Satti, AECOM	Leo Luo, MAG
Richard Weeks, AECOM	
James Renswan, Stantec	

+Teleconference

*Not present

1. Call to Order

Chairman Julian Dresang called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

2. Approval of March 23, 2010 Meeting Minutes

A few minor corrections to the minutes were noted by the committee. Kerry Wilcoxon moved to approve the minutes, Renate Ehm seconded and it was unanimously carried to approve the minutes, as corrected, of the meeting held on March 23, 2010.

3. Call to Audience

Chairman Julian Dresang made a call to the audience providing an opportunity to members of the public to address the Transportation Safety Committee. No public comments were received.

4. Program Manager's Report

Sarath Joshua provided brief reports on the following items:

- Request for Proposals for On-Call Consultants
Sarath told the Committee that the RFQ to select On-Call Consultants will be advertised in April, 2010. He requested volunteers from the members of committee to serve on a panel to review and select the consultants. The Consultants will work on various safety projects listed in the MAG Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP).
- Study on the Effectiveness of Non Engineering Road Safety Measures.
Sarath distributed the draft scope of work for a study on the Effectiveness of Non Engineering Road Safety Measures in the MAG UPWP. He requested the members of the committee to review and e-mail the comments to him.

5. Programming Projects for the 2010 MAG HSIP Allocation

In response to the On-Call for transportation safety projects for FY 2010, announced by MAG on March 24, 2010, seventeen (17) project applications were received. The total funding requested for all projects is \$1,514,468. Only \$1 million of HSIP funds are available to be programmed. The committee discussed the following alternatives for programming the funds:

1. Programming all projects with less than or equal to \$50,000 request and programming the remaining funding proportionately as requested.
2. Programming all projects with less than or equal to \$100,000 request and programming the remaining funding proportionately as requested.
3. Programming all projects with less than or equal to \$120,000 request and programming the remaining funding proportionately as requested.
4. Programming all projects with less than or equal to \$120,000 request and programming the remaining based on B/C ratios.

Following a discussion of the alternatives committee was of the opinion that Option 2 would be the best. Sarath Joshua mentioned that the B/C Cost Ratio calculated in the application will be helpful to members in making informed decisions in selecting the projects. He also stated that this establishes a process in recommending safety improvement projects. **Renate Ehm from City of Mesa moved to recommend programming \$1 million in FY2010 Highway Safety Improvement Program funds with funding allocations to projects as listed in Option 2 of Attachment 2. Kerry Wilcoxon seconded and it was unanimously carried to approve the motion.** Chairman Julian Dresang added that FY2010 HSIP funding allocation decision was done in a rush and he expects that for future years the committee would be given more time to discuss and program the funds. He also commended the working group effort in developing the application process. Sarath Joshua said that the recommendation from the committee will go as a TIP Amendment in the MAG Process. Paul Porell asked if Right of Way and Utility Clearances are required for these projects. Sarath Joshua responded stating that ADOT is the appropriate agency to respond to these queries. Sarath Joshua also said that he would work on convening a teleconference with all project sponsors and ADOT. Kerry Wilcoxon told the committee that he would forward the documentation they used in the past to perform Interest in Public Finding to all committee members for using Federal HSIP funds to pay city employees for installation. Kerry Wilcoxon also stated FY2011 funds may have to be spent on similar projects as full blown

environmental takes longer than a year. Sarath Joshua said that next month's meeting agenda will include an item to discuss programming of projects for future years. He also mentioned the need to convene a special committee meeting on June 22, 2010 at 10:00 a.m. to approve a list of On-Call Consultants to work on the Safety Projects in the MAG Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP).

6. Reports by the Committee Members on Transportation Safety Activities

The Chairman and members of the committee agreed to table this item until the next meeting.

7. Request for Future Agenda Items

No agenda item requests were received from committee members.

8. Next Meeting

The next Transportation Safety Committee meeting is scheduled to be held on May 25, 2010 at 10:00 a.m. in the Cholla Room at MAG.

9. Adjournment

Chairman Julian Dresang adjourned the meeting at 11:00 a.m.