

September 7, 2016

TO: Members of the MAG Street Committee

FROM: Chris Hauser, El Mirage, Chair

SUBJECT: MEETING NOTIFICATION AND TRANSMITTAL OF TENTATIVE AGENDA

Tuesday, September 13, 2016 - 1:00 p.m.
MAG Office, Suite 200, Ironwood Room
302 North First Avenue, Phoenix

The next meeting of the MAG Street Committee will be held at the time and place noted above. Committee members or their proxies may attend in person, via video-conference or by telephone conference call. Those attending by 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. Please call in prior to the time noted above.

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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>
<p>1. <u>Call to Order</u></p> <p>For the September meeting, the quorum requirement is 12 members.</p>	
<p>2. <u>Introductions and Attendance</u></p> <p>An opportunity for new members to introduce themselves and record member attendance at the meeting will be provided.</p>	2. For information.
<p>3. <u>Approval of the May 10, 2016 Meeting Minutes</u></p>	3. Review and approve the minutes from the May 10, 2016 meeting.
<p>4. <u>Call to the Audience</u></p> <p>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.</p>	4. For information.
<p>5. <u>Transportation Programming Manager's Report</u></p> <p>The MAG Transportation Programming Manager will review recent transportation planning activities and upcoming agenda items for MAG Committees and other related regional transportation activities.</p>	5. For information and discussion.
<p>6. <u>Federal Functional Classification</u></p> <p>MAG is requesting that member agencies review the federal functional classification of their roadways and as appropriate request changes.</p>	6. For information and discussion.

At the meeting ADOT staff will brief the Committee on federal functional classification and requirements for making changes. MAG staff will provide information on the schedule and process to be used by MAG member agencies to submit change requests.

7. MAG Project Selection Process

It is anticipated that at the October meeting of the Street Committee, the Committee will consider member agency funding requests for PM-10 certified sweeper projects. At the September meeting, MAG staff will provide a brief overview of process to be used by the Committee to review project requests.

8. Air Quality Overview of the Evaluation Process for Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement (CMAQ) Program, PM-10 Street Sweeper Applications

The Air Quality evaluation and scores play a vital part in the overall prioritization of CMAQ funded projects. MAG has issued a Call For Projects and released applications on August 15, 2016 for PM-10 Certified Street Sweepers.

9. Request for Future Agenda Items

Topics or issues of interest that the Street Committee would like to have considered for discussion at a future meeting will be requested.

10. Member Agency Update

This section of the Agenda will provide Committee members with an opportunity to share information regarding a variety of transportation-related issues within their respective communities.

11. Next Meeting Date

The next regular Street Committee meeting will be scheduled for Tuesday, October 11, 2016 at 1:00 p.m. in the MAG Offices, Ironwood Room.

7. For information and discussion.

8. For information and discussion.

9. For information and discussion.

10. For information and discussion.

11. For information.

Adjournment

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MINUTES OF THE
MARICOPA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS
STREET COMMITTEE

Tuesday, May 10, 2016 1:00 p.m.
MAG Offices, Suite 300,
302 North First Avenue, Phoenix, Arizona 85003

MEMBERS ATTENDING

Chris Hauser, El Mirage,, Chair	Robert Woodring, Maricopa County
Susan Anderson for Eric Boyles, ADOT	Mike Gillespie, Litchfield Park
Emile Schmid, Apache Junction	* James Shano, Paradise Valley
David Janover, Avondale	Kini Knudson, Vice Chair, Phoenix
* Jose Heredia, Buckeye	Angeline To for Scott Bender, Pinal County
Kevin Lair, Chandler	Ben Wilson, Peoria
Aryan Lirange, FHWA	* Janet Martin, Queen Creek
Jess Knudson for Wayne Costa, Florence	# Jennifer Jack, Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community
Tim Oliver, Gila River Indian Community	Andrew Merkley for Phil Kercher, Scottsdale
Ken Morgan, Gilbert	Dana Owsiany, Surprise
Patrick Sage, Glendale	German Piedrahita, Tempe
Hugh Bigalk, Goodyear	Jamie McCracken, Tolleson
* Bill Fay, City of Maricopa	# Grant Anderson, Youngtown
# Maria Angelica Deeb, Mesa	

* Members neither present nor represented by Proxy
Members attending by phone
@Ex-officio member, non voting member

OTHERS PRESENT

Russell Moore, Baker	Teri Kennedy, MAG
Dana Ross, FNF	David Massey, MAG
Kelly LaRosa, FHWA	Brian Rubin, MAG
Hal Archer, MAG	Stephen Tate, MAG
Margaret Boone, MAG	Andrea Koestler Thomas, MAG
Alice Chen, MAG	Monique del los Rios-Urban, MAG

1. Call to Order

Chair Chris Hauser called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

2. Introductions and Attendance

A roll call of members attending by phone was conducted. The following member agencies were not represented at the meeting: Buckeye, City of Maricopa, Litchfield Park, Paradise Valley and Queen Creek.

3. Approval of the March 8, 2016 Meeting Minutes

The Chair noted that revised minutes were at the member's places. Mr. Tate noted that the minutes had been revised to reflect that Ms. Deeb had reported that the City Caucus at the Roads and Streets Conference in Tucson had focused on the theme of the Conference and had removed mention of participation of ADOT District Engineers in the Caucus.

Mr. David Janover moved approval of the revised minutes. Ms. Dana Owsiany seconded the motion. The Chair abstained as he was not present at the February meeting. All other members voted for the motion.

4. Call to the Audience

No members of the audience requested to speak before the Committee.

5. Transportation Programming Manager's Report

Mr. Tate briefed the Committee.

He note that at the end of May, MAG anticipates that it will release applications for Design Assistance funding. The program is intended to jump start pedestrian and bicycle projects by providing funding for preliminary design. The total funding available is \$400,000.

MAG will be conducting a re-balancing of the freeway program. Preliminary cost analysis indicates that approximately \$500 million in unallocated funding is available for freeway projects. The re-balancing will not affect the Arterial Life-Cycle Program or the Transit Life-Cycle Program.

MAG project workbooks were distributed for update last month and were due on Monday, May 9th. Mr. Tate noted that members who have not provided updates should do so as soon as possible as it is anticipated that a report on the update will be mailed to the Transportation Review Committee next week.

Finally, Mr. Tate indicated that on Thursday, May 4th, the Federal Highway Administration released a notice in the Federal Register concerning changes to geometric design criteria for projects on the National Highway System. The change reduces the number of applicable criteria for non freeway roads to two criteria: design speed and structural load factor. MAG will provide members with a link to the notice.

6. ClearView Font Rescission

Ms. Kelly LaRosa from the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) gave a brief presentation. She noted that in 2004, the FHWA had issued an interim approval to use ClearView fonts on signs and that in 2006, local public agencies in Arizona obtained interim approval to use ClearView fonts.

The FHWA decided, effective February 24, 2016, to rescind interim approval to use ClearView fonts nationwide. This action does not effect existing signs, but will require that new or replacement signs do not use ClearView fonts. Local agency standards and policies for ClearView fonts may also need to be modified.

Vice Chair Kini Knudson noted that he recognized the authority of FHWA to rescind the approval, but had been surprised by the lack of a detailed process for removing the interim approval.

Ms. LaRosa noted that a derailed process was not required as the approval was not part of the MUTCD. The approval had been rescinded because subsequent research had show that the font did not provide significant benefits beyond FHWA's current standard and that the interim approval was resulting in a lack of consistency in signage in some parts of the Country.

7. Arterial Life Cycle Program Status Report: December 2015 - April 2016

This agenda item was combined with agenda item 8.

8. Draft FY 2017 Arterial Life Cycle Program - Reimbursement Listings

Mr. Bullen briefed the Committee. He noted that the Arterial Life Cycle Program Status Report provides detailed information about the status of projects, revenues, and other relevant ALCP information for the period between December, 2015 and April, 2016. This is the program's twenty-third status report and the second published in Fiscal Year 2016.

There are 201 projects or project segments in the Arterial Life Cycle Program. As of March, RARF revenues are up by approximately 3 percent, but slightly below projections. Programming for the ALCP is based on revenue projections.

This fiscal year there are 45 projects under development.. Thirteen of these projects are anticipated to be open by July 1st. As of the date of the meeting, 41 project overviews and 38 project agreements have been completed.

Forty-eight million dollars in reimbursement is programmed for this year, but only \$14.8 million in reimbursement requests have been received. It is anticipated that the ALCP will end the year with a \$35 million positive balance. This information will be conveyed to MAG policy committees and used in the development of the ALCP closeout.

He went on to indicate that a draft listing for the ALCP had been distributed to members of the Committee and requested that comments and updates be provided to insure that they are included in the draft TIP.

He concluded by noting that unlike the freeway program, a major rebalancing of the ALCP is not anticipated for this year as previous rebalancings had been less sever for the ALCP then for the freeway program.

9. FHWA System Performance Notice of Rulemaking

Ms. Monique del los Rios-Urban briefed the Committee.

She noted that the federal rulemaking is pursuant to the most current surface transportation act, the FAST act, that the Act provides for the establishment of national performance goals and State measures and targets. It is intended that these will enhance transparency and accountability and provide a technical basis for decision making. Coordination between Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs, e.g. MAG), State Highway Agencies (SHAs) and transit providers are required in the rules. The rules also mandate State and MPO reporting cycles.

The national goals included goals for safety, infrastructure condition, congestion reduction, system reliability, freight movement and economic vitality, environmental sustainability and reduced project delivery delays. To achieve these goals, rules have been proposed or will be proposed for metropolitan and state planning, system performance, the highway safety improvement program, pavement and bridge performance, asset management, system performance and transit performance.

Some specifics on this rule include the following:

- The state has already developed a safety plan and goal for facilities and MAG has adopted the same goal.
- The planning rule has been approved and the MAG Regional Transportation Plan and Transportation Plan will need to include elements explaining how projects contribute to the national goals identified in the FAST Act.
- The bridge and pavement rule lays out specific targets for bridge and pavement condition on NHS facilities.
- The system performance rule relies on travel time data provided by FHWA, and MAG has already started using this data to provide information on system performance.

Monique then went on to show the data dashboard developed by MAG. The dashboard includes a great deal of data about programmed projects and travel time and congestion on the Region's roadways.

Ms Maria Deeb asked if the project forms used for the ALCP need to be updated in light of the rule making. Monique indicated that no changes will be needed as MAG has incorporated performance data in the forms.

Kini asked what the nexus is between the performance standards and funding for member agencies. Monique indicated that the FHWA has not provided a clear answer to this issue, but has provided flexibility in setting targets.

Mr. Tate noted except for safety, that the rules focus on the National Highway System.

10. Draft FY 2017-2021 Transportation Improvement Program

Mr. Tate noted that MAG is developing a new TIP, that it covers the period from 2017 through 2021 and that it needs to include at a minimum the follow types of projects:

- All regionally significant projects,
- All RARF funded projects, and
- All federally funded projects,

MAG has already run air quality conformity for the draft TIP, so no new regionally significant projects need to be submitted. The Transportation Review Committee is scheduled to review the draft TIP on May 22nd.

11. Request for Future Agenda Items

No member request a future agenda item.

12. Member Agency Update

No member provided an update.

13. Next Meeting Date

The Chair noted that the next regular Street Committee is scheduled for Tuesday, June 14, 2016 at 1:00 p.m. in the MAG Offices, Ironwood Room.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 1:43 p.m.