

DRAFT MINUTES OF
MARICOPA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS
TRANSPORTATION SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING

March 24, 2015
Maricopa Association of Governments
Ironwood Room, Suite 200
302 N. 1st Ave,
Phoenix, AZ 85003

MEMBERS ATTENDING

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">* Cristy Robinson, AAA Arizona
Tom Burch, AARP# Kohinoor Kar, ADOT
Shane Kiesow, City of Apache Junction* Robert Gray, ASU
Dana Alvidrez, City of Avondale# Chris Lemka, City of Buckeye* Martin Johnson, City of Chandler
Bob Senita, City of El Mirage* Kelly LaRosa, FHWA
Erik Guderian, Town of Gilbert# Kiran Guntupalli, City of Glendale* Alberto Gutier, GOHS# Hugh Bigalk, City of Goodyear | <ul style="list-style-type: none">* David Gue, Litchfield Park* Nicolaas Swart, Maricopa County
Maria Angelica Deeb for Renate Ehm
(Chair), City of Mesa* Jeremy Knapp, Town of Paradise Valley# Mannar Tamirisa for Jamal Rahimi,
City of Peoria
Kerry Wilcoxon, City of Phoenix
George Williams, City of Scottsdale* Dana Owsiany, City of Surprise# Steve Horstman for Julian Dresang,
City of Tempe
Sam Diggins for Adrian Ruiz,
RPTA |
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OTHERS PRESENT

Sarath Joshua, MAG
Margaret Boone, MAG
Eric Nava, MAG
Micah Henry, MAG
Jothan Samuelson, Wilson & Company
Ashley Barinka, City of Mesa

Susan Chambers, Dibble
Bob Darr, City of Glendale
Cami Weckerly, Town of Queen Creek
Doug McCants, Harrocks
Mike Blankenship, AMEC
Kim Carroll, KHA

- * Not present or represented by proxy
- # Participated by teleconference
- + Participated by videoconference

1. Call to Order

Vice Chair Dana Alvidrez called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

2. Approval of February 23, 2015 Meeting Minutes

Vice Chair Dana Alvidrez called for a motion to approve the February 23, 2015 meeting minutes. Bob Senita made a motion to approve, Maria Deeb seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

3. Call to Audience

Vice Chair Dana Alvidrez made a call to the audience providing an opportunity to members of the public to address the Transportation Safety Committee. None requested.

4. Program Manager's Report

- Status of RSA and PA projects: Sarath Joshua noted that the ten RSAs and three PAs for the FY2014 cycle have been completed and that item #5 on the agenda will address the FY2015 RSA and PA call for projects.
- Strategic Transportation Safety Plan update: Sarath Joshua requested Margaret Boone to give an update. Margaret Boone gave a status on the development of the Plan including the completion of all tasks associated and noted that all Draft Technical Memoranda and the Draft Final Plan are available at stsp.azmag.gov for download and review. Margaret noted that the Implementation Plan itself projects costs to implement the plan within the ten year timeframe which indicated a funding shortfall of 3 million dollars. Ms. Boone stated that due to the policy implications of funding the implementation plan shortfall it will be necessary to obtain input and guidance from the MAG Transportation Policy Committee and Regional Council. This item will be presented to both the TPC and Regional Council in April 2015 in anticipation of briefing the committee on the guidance provided by the TPC and RC with any modifications made to the Draft Plan for possible recommendation by this committee in May. Sarath Joshua noted that this is a very critical stage in the plan in order to implement the Plan. The committee discussed several aspects of funding the implementation plan as well as possible safety criteria to be used in programming the various TIP program projects.
- Corridor Safety Plan: Margaret Boone provided an update on the status of the process of the Corridor project including an overview of items discussed at the kick-off meeting held earlier in the month. The schedule for data collection as well as the dates and times for the field reviews to be completed were provided to the committee. Ms. Boone noted that committee members that would like to have the time to participate in any of the observations are welcome to do so. Ms. Boone noted that a special meeting of the TSC will be held on April 28th to provide an update after the first field reviews have been completed for input from the committee.
- Avondale Strategic Transportation Safety Plan: Sarath Joshua invited Dana Alvidrez from Avondale to report on this item. Ms. Alvidrez stated that the City wishes to utilize the Plan to prioritize safety improvements and to develop a strategy to make the biggest safety impact with the minimal amount of resources the City has available. Sarath Joshua noted that the RFP has been sent to qualified consultants on the MAG On-call list, proposals are due on April 13th and a recommendation from the evaluation team will be brought to the Safety Committee in May and will proceed

through the MAG approval process. Work is anticipated to begin in July 2015 towards completion of the Avondale Plan in June 2016.

- Transportation Alternatives Infrastructure Working Group: Margaret Boone stated that oversight for programming TA infrastructure projects is provided by the MAG Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee and due to the practice identified in the STSP to include safety elements as an explicit evaluation criteria, the Safety Committee is being asked to provide input into what that criteria might be as well as what the role of the TSC should be in the evaluation process. This request comes in preparation of the call for projects for several of the TIP programs to be issued in August 2015. Ms. Boone stated that two meetings will be held in April; the first to review eligible project types and the possible safety evaluation criteria that would be appropriate and the second to make some refinements and address revisions to the associated applications. The recommendations of the working group will come back to the Safety Committee in May for input prior to final revisions to the various funding programs call for projects in August. Volunteers for the working group were requested.
- 2015 Crossing Guard Workshops: Sarath Joshua stated that a meeting of the group that includes staff from Phoenix, Mesa, Glendale, Scottsdale and Peoria will be held in the next couple of days to strategize and solidify dates for the 2015 workshops although the Mesa workshop is set for Monday August 3rd.

5. FY2015 RSA Call for Projects

Vice Chair Dana Alvidrez requested Margaret Boone present this agenda item. Margaret Boone gave an overview of the 2015 program; \$300,000 is available and will include a Glendale RSA that was approved for the 2014 cycle but deferred at the request of the agency, and that the cost with additional scope recently added to the program scopes will be \$42,000 for RSAs and \$35,000 for PAs. Ms. Boone noted that four applications were submitted for RSAs combined for the City of Glendale and the Town of Queen Creek and two applications were submitted for PAs for the City of Phoenix. There is a remaining amount available of \$59,000 plus a \$30,000 cost savings from 2014 for a total remaining of \$89,000. A strategy to program the rest of the funding would be to issue a call for Transit Access RSAs with applications due on April 7th for evaluation by the committee at the April 28th special meeting. The City of Glendale, Phoenix, and Queen Creek presented details of their request for RSAs and PAs. Ms. Boone referred the committee to the attachment provided outlining the prioritized list of project sites. Vice Chair Dana Alvidrez requested a motion to **recommend the prioritized list of sites for performing RSAs and PAs. The recommended list includes a previously approved RSA project in the City of Glendale.** Bob Darr from Glendale made the motion, seconded by Erik Guderian and the motion passed unanimously. Ms. Boone noted that the recommendation would go to the TRC for recommendation to the Management Committee and Regional Council. It is anticipated that Task Orders for performing RSAs and PAs would be developed in July and the projects commenced in the Fall of 2015.

6. Reports by Committee Members on Transportation Safety Activities

Vice Chair Dana Alvidrez requested safety activity updates by members of the committee. Kerry Wilcoxon noted that the City of Phoenix is working on developing Safety Performance Functions for intersections and will be interviewing interns going through masters programs to do the work. Erik Guderian noted that Gilbert has initiated and

received training on the use of the Crash Magic crash analysis software procured as a multi-agency effort using MAG-HSIP funding. He also noted that the Town of Gilbert is also working on a project to identify and implement positive left turn offset improvements at three intersections. Sarath Joshua announced that MAG has launched a project to produce a user's manual for the RTSIMS software and once it is completed, MAG plans to open up online access to the RTSIMS software for interested local agencies who currently have data access agreements with ADOT. Maria Deeb reported the City of Mesa also has the Crash Magic crash data analysis software procured with MAG-HSIP funding up and running and they are now submitting for reimbursements through ADOT. Shane Kiesow reported that the City of Apache Junction is in the process of seeking more funding through City Council to be used for infrastructure maintenance and will come up with a strategy to include safety features in whatever projects can be funded. Kohinoor Kar updated the Committee on the status of the State SHSP implementation and the Emphasis Area Task group meetings. Mr. Kar also noted that meetings will be held in the next two months on the State HSIP program and manual update.

7. Request for Future Agenda Items

Vice Chair Dana Alvidrez requested suggestions for future agenda items from committee members. None were heard.

8. Next Meeting

Vice Chair Dana Alvidrez stated that the next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 28, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. in the Ironwood Room.

9. Adjournment

Vice Chair Dana Alvidrez adjourned the meeting at 10:40 a.m.