

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

September 5, 2007
MAG Cholla Room, 2nd Floor
302 North First Avenue
Phoenix, Arizona

MEMBERS ATTENDING

Lydia Warnick for Scott Nodes, ADOT
*Mary Kihl, ASU
Kelly LaRosa, City of Avondale
*Thomas Chlebanowski, Town of Buckeye
Mike Mah, City of Chandler
Mike Lockhart, DPS
*BJ Cornwall, City of El Mirage
Alan Hansen, FHWA
Ken-Ichi Maruyama, Town of Gilbert
Debbie Albert, City of Glendale
Luke Albert, City of Goodyear

Nicolaas Swart, Maricopa County
Alan Sanderson, City of Mesa
Ron Amaya, City of Peoria
Ron Doubek, City of Phoenix
*Bob Ciotti, Phoenix Public Transit
Michael Pacelli, Town of Queen Creek
Steve Ramsey for Bruce Dressel, City of
Scottsdale
Brian Moberly for Nicholas Mascia, City
of Surprise
*Jim Decker, City of Tempe
Arkady Bernshteyn, Valley Metro Rail

OTHERS PRESENT

Jeff Jenq, City of Mesa
Faisal Saleem, Maricopa County
Bo Gao, TransCore
Sarath Joshua, MAG
Leo Luo, MAG

Armand Ciccarelli, PBS&J Inc
Dave Chambers, TransCore
Lisa Burgess, KHA Inc
Kiran Guntupalli, MAG

*Not present

1. Call to Order
Chairman Alan Sanderson called the meeting to order at 10:05 AM.
2. Approval of August 1, 2007 Meeting Minutes and Introductions
Mike Lockhart moved, Nicolaas Swart seconded and it was unanimously carried to approve the minutes of the August 1, 2007 ITS Committee meeting.
3. Call to Audience
Chairman Alan Sanderson made a call to the audience providing an opportunity to any members of the public to address the ITS Committee. No comments were received from the public.
4. Program Managers Report
Sarath Joshua addressed the following items in his report:
 - Recent USDOT announcement on UPA awards
The submission from MAG region for \$22M was not successful. Only 5 cities received funding: New York City \$354.5M, San Francisco, \$158.7 million; Seattle (King County),

\$138.7 million; Minneapolis, \$133.3 million; and Miami, \$62.9 million.

- Glendale Corridor Operation Project – City of Glendale has approved the scope of work.
- TSOP status report - The Tempe project for purchasing VISSIM and providing customized training to city staff has been expanded. A 2-day regional training will also be provided to member agencies. There are 3 more spots available for the training.

5. I-10 Integrated Corridor Management System (ICMS) Concept of Operations

Sarath Joshua briefed the committee that the project was completed. The committee is invited to review the final report of the project and make comments on the final report. The electronic version of the document will be posted on MAG website. Recommendations from the report were also reviewed at the meeting.

6. Arterial ITS Projects for FY 2009-2013 TIP

Sarath Joshua mentioned that based on MAG Programming Manager, Eileen Yazzie's projection, additional funds of approximately \$1.3M to \$1.5M is available in each year of the TIP, from FY2009 to FY2013. Ms. Yazzie added that since many ITS projects already programmed have more than the minimum required local share of 30 percent, these additional funds could be used to increase the federal share. Ms. Yazzie also requested the committee to discuss a timeline and strategy to program the additional funds in FY2009-FY2012. Sarath Joshua suggested to the committee that the current cycle of TIP programming consider only FY2009 and FY2013 TIP, and leave the FY2010-FY2012 to be programmed next year. Chairman Alan Sanderson explained that the one of the reasons why many projects have more than required local share is to make up for the shortfall of federal funding in previous TIP program cycles. Michael Pacelli, Ron Amaya and Kelly LaRosa suggested that flexibility should be provided, given that each jurisdiction has different preference on applying for new projects or increase federal share for the additional funding. Eileen also explained how the available federal funding is projected. The ITS committee agreed that the funding of FY2010 to FY2012 will be programmed in the next year. The FY2013 applications will be due on September 7, 2007 as scheduled. The due day for FY2009 applications will be set later. Eileen Yazzie will provide a list of already programmed ITS projects of FY2009, samples of increasing federal share among those projects to utilize the additional funding, new project application forms and request of increasing federal share forms for FY2009.

7. Information on MAG Federal Funded Projects

Eileen Yazzie updated the committee the information on MAG federal funded projects. Approximately \$53M projects were deferred in FY2007. A list of ITS project status was provided to the committee. She also introduced the new webpage developed by MAG to assist member agencies to track the status of their projects.

8. Status Reports by Committee Members on ITS Activities

Ron Amaya reported to the committee that progress on the wireless communications project to connect Peoria traffic signals. He also mentioned that the process of Peoria TMC just started. Arkady Bernshteyn mentioned that several ITS components are being tested and installed along light rail and its stations. Ken-Ichi Maruyama mentioned that Town of Gilbert is preparing a grant proposal for ITS projects.

9. Next Meeting Date

It was agreed that the next meeting, on Wednesday October 3, 2007, will start an hour earlier at 9:00 a.m. in order to permit sufficient time to review all proposed ITS projects.

10. Adjournment

Mike Mah, Sarath Joshua, and members of the ITS committee thanked Chairman Alan Sanderson for his many years of service to the ITS committee. Chairman Alan Sanderson adjourned the meeting at 11:15 AM.