

January 17, 2012

TO: Members of the MAG Transportation Safety Committee

FROM: Margaret Boone, City of Avondale, Chair

SUBJECT: MEETING NOTIFICATION AND TRANSMITTAL OF TENTATIVE AGENDA

Tuesday, January 24, 2012 10:00 a.m.
MAG Office Building, 2nd Floor, Ironwood Room
302 North First Avenue, Phoenix

The next meeting of the MAG Transportation Safety Committee will be held at the time and place noted above. Committee members or their proxies may attend **in person, via videoconference or by telephone conference call**. Those attending video conference must notify the MAG site three business days prior to the meeting. Those attending by telephone conference call please contact MAG offices for conference call instructions.

Please park in the garage under the MAG building, bring your ticket, parking will be validated. For those using transit, Valley Metro/RPTA will provide transit tickets for your trip. For those using bicycles, please lock your bicycle in the bike rack in the garage.

In 1996, the Regional Council approved a simple majority quorum for all MAG advisory committees. If the Transportation Safety Committee does not meet the quorum requirement, members who have arrived at the meeting will be instructed a legal meeting cannot occur and subsequently be dismissed. Your attendance at the meeting is strongly encouraged.

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If you have any questions regarding the meeting, please contact Sarath Joshua at (602) 254-6300.

TENTATIVE AGENDA

COMMITTEE ACTION REQUESTED

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. <u>Call To Order</u>2. <u>Approval of November 22, 2011 Meeting Minutes</u> | <ol style="list-style-type: none">2. Review and approve minutes of the meeting held on November 22, 2011. |
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3. Call to Audience

An opportunity will be provided to members of the public to address the Transportation Safety 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 members request 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.

4. Program Managers Report

The following items will be addressed:

- Update on Road Safety Assessments
- Update on FY2012-2014 Road Safety Improvement Projects
- Status of Study on Non-Engineering Road Safety Countermeasures
- Plans for a briefing on ADA requirements

5. Safe Routes to School Projects Review

In response to a statewide call for projects announced by the Arizona DOT's Safe Routes to School (SRTS) Program, public and non-profit agencies in the MAG region have submitted a total of sixteen (16) project proposals. Ten of these proposals are for infrastructure projects and six for non-infrastructure projects.

A complete set of proposals was sent to each committee member for their review and ranking. Individual ranking generated from this review will be combined to generate composite committee ranking for the two project categories. The committee will review, discuss and recommend the composite project

3. For information.

4. For information and discussion.

5. For information, discussion and possible action to recommend a prioritized list of infrastructure based SRTS projects and a prioritized list of non-infrastructure based SRTS projects.

ranking as the MAG recommendation to Arizona DOT. Please note that there will be no presentations to the committee on any of the individual project proposals. Attachment One shows the complete list of SRTS projects.

6. Strategic Transportation Safety Plan

The region's first Strategic Transportation Safety Plan (STSP) was adopted by MAG in October 2005. The STSP identified the a number of key priorities for the region. Some have been addressed, such as: developing a road safety information management system; promoting Road Safety Audits/Assessments; improving roads for older road users; better awareness of road safety issues; and Safe Routes to Schools.

The availability of HSIP funds since 2010 has significantly improved the region's ability to address road safety needs. A new consultant project has been included in the FY 2013 MAG Work Program for a comprehensive update of the STSP that would guide the implementation of effective measures to improve road safety. A tentative list of topics that may need to be addressed in the STSP will be presented.

7. Reports by Committee Members on Transportation Safety Activities

Members will be requested to report agency activities or current issues that are related to transportation safety.

8. Request for Future Agenda Items

Members will be provided the opportunity to suggest future agenda topics.

9. Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled to be held on Tuesday, March 27, 2012 at 10:00 a.m in the MAG Cholla Room (Please note change of conference room).

Adjournment

6. For information and discussion.

7. For information and discussion.

8. For information and discussion.

9. For information and discussion.

DRAFT MINUTES OF MARICOPA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS
TRANSPORTATION SAFETY COMMITTEE

November 22, 2011
Maricopa Association of Governments
Ironwood Room, Suite 200
302 N 1st Ave,
Phoenix, AZ 85003

MEMBERS ATTENDING

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| * Mark Gotsch for Linda Gorman,
AAA Arizona | Lazaro Veitia for Chris Lemka,
City of Glendale |
| * Tom Burch, AARP | + Hugh Bigalk, City of Goodyear |
| * Kohinoor Kar, ADOT | Chris Plumb, Maricopa County |
| Shane Kiesow,
City of Apache Junction | Renate Ehm, City of Mesa |
| Margaret Boone-Pixley,
City of Avondale | * William Mead, Paradise Valley |
| Paul Ward for Thomas Chlebanowski,
Town of Buckeye | Mannar Tamirisa for Jamal Rahimi,
City of Peoria |
| Martin Johnson, City of Chandler | Joe Parez for Kerry Wilcoxon,
City of Phoenix |
| Jorge Gastelum, City of El Mirage | * Paul Porell, City of Scottsdale |
| Kelly LaRosa, FHWA | + Tracy Eberlein, City of Surprise |
| Kurt Sharp, Town of Gilbert | Julian Dresang, City of Tempe (Chair) |
| | Gardner Tabon, RPTA |

OTHERS PRESENT

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| Irene Higgs, ADOT | Sarath Joshua, MAG |
| Scott Kelly, Stanley Consultants | Kiran Guntupalli, MAG |
| Natalie Carrick, Michael Baker | Leo Luo, MAG |
| Lauren Neu, Stand Associates | |
| Maria Angelica Deeb, City of Mesa | |

- +Teleconference
- # Videoconference
- *Not present

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

2. Approval of October 4, 2011 Meeting Minutes
Renate Ehm from City of Mesa moved to approve the minutes, Shane Kiesow from Apache Junction seconded and it was unanimously carried to approve the minutes of the meeting held on October 4, 2011.

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

The following items were highlighted by Sarath Joshua in his report:

- ***Road Safety Assessments Update***
 - Four RSAs have been completed to date
 - Phoenix - Union Hills Dr & 7th St
 - Scottsdale - Hayden Rd & Chapparal Rd
 - Tempe – Rural & University Dr/Broadway Road/Southern Avenue
 - Peoria/Glendale – Union Hills Dr & 83rd Ave
 - Next RSAs
 - Tempe – Hardy & Baseline Rd – Nov 29 – Dec 1
 - Phoenix – Van Buren & 33rd Ave –Rescheduled
 - These six RSAs will address #1 thru #8 high crash risk intersections in the region – 11 more RSAs will be performed in 2012
- ***FY2012-2014 Road Safety Improvements Projects-Update***
 - The list of 23 HSIP projects have been recommended for approval by the MAG Management Committee
 - Regional Council approval is expected on December 7th
 - All local agencies should have accomplished the following by now:
 - Revise the original project applications/scope to match the Committee recommended cost
 - Submit the all revised HSIP project applications to ADOT Local Government Section (To Irene Higgs)
- ***Meeting Schedule for 2012***
 - A sheet with the meeting schedule for 2012 was distributed to committee members and attendees.

5. Study on the Effectiveness of Non-Engineering Road Safety Countermeasures

Sarath Joshua stated that the MAG study was initiated to research and document the effectiveness of non-engineering road safety countermeasures. He also stated that the goal of this study is to gain a better understanding of the significant role and effectiveness of non-engineering road safety countermeasures. Sarath Joshua presented the findings and conclusions of the study and stated that the Draft final report was sent to all the members of the Committee via email. He stated that the comments on the study are due by close of business December 2, 2011.

6. A Study on Designing Transit Accessible Communities

The Chair of the Committee Julian Dresang invited Alice Chen from MAG to make a presentation on the agenda item. Alice Chen stated that the purpose of this MAG study is to develop strategies to make transit stops and other facilities more accessible and safer for transit users who are also pedestrians and bicyclists. The American Public Transit Association (APTA) defines transit access as "the segment of an individual trip that occurs between an origin or destination point and the transit system." The goals of the study are: 1) to identify the challenges that are faced by transit users in the region when accessing transit; 2) recommend improvements, policies, and guidelines that are applicable in the

MAG region; and 3) provide a cost analysis and a framework for funding options and prioritization.

There was a discussion on ADA requirements and the changes proposed by the Access Board etc. Everyone agreed that it would be useful for local agencies to get a full briefing on this topic. Kelly LaRosa (FHWA) informed the committee that she and Reed Henry at ADOT are the only two persons in the region officially trained in ADA requirements. She agreed to provide a briefing at MAG, possibly with Reed's participation. Kelly also pointed out that all local agencies are subject to ADA requirements as ADA is considered a civil rights issue.

7. Reports by the Committee Members on Transportation Safety Activities

Joe Perez from Phoenix reported that as part of the city's Bicyclist Education Program they are putting posters at High and Middle schools to educate students on the possible consequences of not following the rules. He stated that these posters will be changed every two months to maintain its effectiveness. He also stated that these posters are available to other agencies if they are interested. Mannar Tamirisa from Peoria stated that he believes RSA improvements should be based only on crash occurrence information. Irene Higgs from ADOT stated that ADOT will be sending out the Eligibility Letter to agencies requesting funding for systematic road safety improvements. In the past HSIP applications had been reviewed by FHWA for eligibility. Renate Ehm from Mesa reported that they recently completed a before and after study on Speed Cushions and noted that average speed reduction was 6.5 mph. She also stated that Mesa has adopted the City of Glendale design for Speed Cushions.

8. Request for Future Agenda Items

Transportation Safety Committee members requested MAG to provide information on the agencies in the region with ADA Plans.

9. Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled to be held on Tuesday, January 24, 2012 at 10:00 a.m. in the MAG Ironwood Room.

10. Adjournment

Chairman Julian Dresang adjourned the meeting at 11:45 a.m.

Cycle 6 ADOT Safe Routes to School Applications

Infrastructure Projects

Proposal Number	Project Name	Lead Agency	Funding Request
INF12-01	Gilbert Safe Routes to School Infrastructure Project (Phase III)	Gilbert	\$400,000
INF12-02	CRASH- Community at Risk with Accidents when Speeding Happens	Glendale	\$86,000
INF12-03	Myrtle Ave Safe Path for School Children	Glendale	\$400,000
INF12-04	Be Safe Be Cool Laveen Hawks	Maricopa County	\$46,015
INF12-05	Sequoia Schools 100 mile Running/Walking/Biking Program	Mesa	\$104,900
INF12-06	Be Safe then Sorry! Jorgensen's Quest for Safe Walk to School	Phoenix	\$283,921.50
INF12-07	Downtown Urban Infill Demonstration Project	Phoenix	\$107,589
INF12-08	Eagle's Quest for Safe Nest	Phoenix	\$113,600
INF12-09	Sidewalks for Safety Garcias walk to School Improvement Project	Phoenix	\$398,845
INF12-10	Anasazi School Via Linda Rd Sidewalk Improvement Project	Scottsdale	\$395,719
			\$2,336,590

Non Infrastructure Projects

Proposal Number	Project Name	Lead Agency	Funding Request
NINF12-01	Encouraging Active Activity and Helmet Use K-8	Arizona in Action	\$5,000
NINF12-02	Healthy Living	Bradley Academy	\$45,000
NINF12-03	Sequoia Schools 100 mile Running/Walking/Biking Program	Choice Education Development Corp	\$44,829.75
NINF12-04	Eagles Quest for Safety Vest	Eagle Prep	\$120,000
NINF12-05	Be Safe Be Cool Laveen Hawks	Laveen Elementary School/ Phoenix	\$120,000
NINF12-06	Walk n Rollers	Maricopa County DPH	\$45,000
			\$379,830