

MINUTES

CITIZENS TRANSPORTATION OVERSIGHT COMMISSION

**5850 WEST GLENDALE AVENUE
GLENDALE, ARIZONA 85301
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2013
7:00 PM**

The regular meeting of the Citizens Transportation Oversight Commission (CTOC) was called to order by the Chair. The following Commission members, staff representatives, and guests were present:

COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT: Vincent Abeyta, Chair
William Sheldon, Vice Chair
Brent Ackzen
Jack Bethel
Jackie Doerr
Dorlisa Dvorak
John Ferguson
Theodora Hackenberg
Ricki Ray
Joyce Stribling

COMMISSION MEMBERS ABSENT: Gerald Woodman (excused)

OTHERS PRESENT: Cathy Colbath, Acting Executive Transportation Director
Debbie Albert, Principal Engineer
Allan Grover, Transportation Planner
Purab Adabala, Senior Transportation Analyst
Jamsheed Mehta, Acting Assistant City Manager

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Abeyta called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM

II. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Chair Abeyta called for approval of the minutes.

ACTION BY CTOC: Approval of the minutes of the December 6, 2012 meeting of the Citizens Transportation Oversight Commission. (Motion: Commissioner Hackenberg, Second: Commissioner Ray; passed unanimously)

III. CALL TO THE AUDIENCE

There were no comments from the floor.

IV. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Chair Abeyta called for approval of the agenda.

ACTION BY CTOC: Approval of the February 7, 2013 Agenda of the Citizens Transportation Oversight Commission. (Motion: Commissioner Stribling; Second: Commissioner Doerr; passed unanimously)

V. PUBLIC INPUT – COMMISSIONERS AND STAFF

Commissioner Ackzen reported on the December meeting of the Citizens Bicycle Advisory Committee. Committee members continued their work on a questionnaire to be submitted to the National Bicycle Coalition to designate Glendale as a Bicycle-Friendly City. Committee members are also working on preparations for the Glendale Family Bike Ride on April 14, 2013.

VI. MANAGER’S REPORT

Debbie Albert, Principal Engineer, introduced herself to the Commission as the new CTOC liaison and Acting Deputy Transportation Director. Ms. Albert gave a brief presentation on upcoming public events: the Family Bike Ride on April 14 and GO Program Open House on April 24. Ms. Albert also reported on additional CMAQ funding from MAG for five city projects in the amount of \$2.2 million, and provided updates on Grand Avenue and Northern Parkway.

VII. DRAFT GO PROGRAM ANNUAL REPORT

Purab Adabala, Senior Transportation Analyst, presented overview information on project funding sources and bonding for the GO Program.

Commissioner Hackenberg provided a correction to Table 4 to change the year for expended bond funds from 2011 to 2012.

ACTION BY CTOC: Recommended acceptance of the Glendale Onboard Annual Report and forwarded to City Council for their consideration. (Motion: Commissioner Stribling; Second: Commissioner Doerr; passed unanimously)

VIII. EVENT TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT

Debbie Albert, Principal Engineer, provided a detailed background of traffic control techniques for stadium traffic management, as well as a presentation on the City’s Transportation Plan for parking, traffic management, barricades and message signs. Ms. Albert also described some lessons learned from event traffic management in previous years and provided a description of future plans for improved parking and access to the stadium.

Commissioner Doerr asked if city staff are directly involved in traffic management during events? Ms. Albert responded that city staff are involved with on-site stadium

traffic, but do not participate in street traffic control or traffic access from the expressway.

Commissioner Stribling asked if there was enough parking available for everyone. Ms. Albert stated that there are plenty of parking spaces for all, but the important function for staff to address traffic entering the stadium as efficiently as possible.

Chair Abeyta had three questions:

- Does the City have data on traffic counts during event days? Ms. Albert stated that there is no traffic count data collected during events.
- Does the City have an estimate of the amount of barricades utilized during events? Ms. Albert said that information is not available.
- Is there use of contra lanes? Ms. Albert stated that these lanes are used on several streets at various locations. Ms. Albert also informed the Commission that additional overhead traffic signs will be funded for diverting traffic (resulting in fewer barricades) and these message signs will be operated from the City's Traffic Management Center during game day traffic movement.

IX. NEWSLETTER PHOTO

Commissioners had a group photograph taken for the upcoming GO Program Newsletter.

X. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

There were no suggested agenda items by the Commissioners.

XI. NEXT MEETING DATE AND TIME

Meeting times are being targeted for 7:00 PM on the first Thursday of the month in Room B-3 in City Hall.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Abeyta adjourned the meeting at 8:20 PM

Vincent Abeyta, Chair