

MINUTES

CITIZENS TRANSPORTATION OVERSIGHT COMMISSION

**5850 WEST GLENDALE AVENUE
GLENDALE, ARIZONA 85301
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 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
John Ferguson
Jeff McAfee
Joyce Stribling
Gerald Woodman

COMMISSION MEMBERS ABSENT: Jack Bethel
James Grose (Excused)
Theodora Hackenberg (Excused)

OTHERS PRESENT: Cathy Colbath, Acting Executive Transportation Director
Debbie Albert, Principal Engineer
Bob Darr, Transportation Planning Manager
Allan Grover, Transportation Planner
Purab Adabala, Senior Transportation Analyst
Robert Schaevitz, consultant
Howard May, citizen

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 February 7, 2013 meeting of the Citizens Transportation Oversight Commission. (Motion: Commissioner Stribling, Second: Commissioner Woodman; 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 September 5, 2013 Agenda of the Citizens Transportation Oversight Commission. (Motion: Vice Chair Sheldon; Second: Commissioner Stribling; passed unanimously)

V. PUBLIC INPUT – COMMISSIONERS AND STAFF

There were no comments from Commissioners or staff.

VI. MANAGER’S REPORT

Debbie Albert, Principal Engineer, provided updates on three highway projects:

1. L101/Maryland Avenue HOV Ramps - A construction bid has been accepted and this project will begin construction in 2014.
2. Northern Parkway – Phase I construction completion in August 2013 and landscaping and two interchange projects underway.
3. 59th/Olive Avenue Intersection Safety Improvement Project – This intersection is the second highest crash location in the Valley and recently received Highway Safety Improvement Program funds for planned safety improvements.

VII. FINANCIAL PROJECTIONS FOR THE GO PROGRAM

Robert Schaevitz, financial consultant, provided an analysis of projections for the transportation sales tax revenues for the GO Transportation Program.

VIII. DRAFT 2014-2038 GO PROGRAM OF PROJECTS

Purab Adabala, Senior Transportation Analyst, presented the 25-Year Program of Projects to the Commissioners, reviewing GO Program revenues, costs, proposed bonding, and status of the transportation half-cent sales tax.

Vice Chair Sheldon, referring to page B-18 of the Program, said he was not aware that debt service can be covered by insurance. In reply to Vice Chair Sheldon's question, Mr. Schaevitz stated that there are a number of companies that specialize in insuring municipal bond sales. They independently assess the risks of any proposed bond sale, and if it meets their underwriting criteria, they will insure the issue against default, thereby allowing the issuer to obtain a high investment-grade rating from Moody's, Standard and Poor's, or other rating service.

ACTION BY CTOC: Recommended adoption of the Glendale Onboard Transportation 2014-2038 Program of Projects. (Motion: Commissioner Stribling; Second: Commissioner Wooden; passed unanimously)

IX. BICYCLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE APPOINTEE

Allan Grover, Transportation Planner, identified the responsibilities of a Commissioner as appointee to the Bicycle Advisory Committee and asked the Chair to request a

volunteer. Commissioner Jeff McAfee stated that he would accept a tentative appointment until he confers with his family on his availability.

ACTION BY CTOC: Recommended the tentative appointment of Commissioner Jeff McAfee to serve as the Commission representative on the Glendale Bicycle Advisory Committee. (Motion: Commissioner Ferguson; Second: Commissioner Woodman; passed unanimously)

X. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Debbie Albert identified upcoming agenda items for the October and November 2013 CTOC meetings, as well as several potential agenda items during 2014.

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 8:30 PM

Vincent Abeyta, Chair