

Transportation Planning Committee (TPC) Meeting Summary - DRAFT

Summary of April 19, 2023, Meeting

The meeting was held in person/virtually for committee members and electronically for the public and can be viewed in its entirety at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rqs-l25bRzQ>

Committee Members

Kathryn Skinner
Pima County

Robin Raine
City of Tucson

Dan Grossman
Town of Marana

Jose Rodriguez
Town of Oro Valley

Josue Licea – Virtual
City of South Tucson

Mark Hoffman -Virtual
ADOT Planning

Steve Spade
Sun Tran

Committee Members Cont.

Patricia Pablo - Virtual
Tohono O’odham Nation

Natalie Shepp - Virtual
Pima County DEQ

Mark Novak – Virtual
University of Arizona

Thomas Garcia – Virtual
Town of Sahuarita

PAG Staff Lead
Jeanette DeRenne

Jamie Brown, PAG
Romare Truly, FHWA - Virtual

AGENDA

1. Call to Order and Introductions

The meeting was called to order at 9:01 a.m. by the Chair and introductions of the committee members were made.

2. In-kind Reporting

PAG Transportation Planning Director Jeanette DeRenne asked participants to confirm an estimated in-kind time for this meeting. The in-kind form was routed to committee members attending in person. Time spent by members attending in Zoom will be recorded from the Zoom attendance report.

3. Election of 2023 TPC Chair and Vice Chair

PAG Transportation Planning Director Jeanette DeRenne informed the members that a new Chair and Vice Chair needed to be elected. The members were then informed that the election was open to nominations as well as volunteers.

Nominations were made by Kathryn Skinner for Sam Credio, City of Tucson, for Chair, and Dan Grossman for Jose Rodriguez, Town of Oro Valley, as Vice Chair. Consensus was agreed on.

Action: A motion to elect Sam Credio, City of Tucson, as Chair and Jose Rodriguez, Town of Oro Valley, as Vice Chair was made by Kathryn Skinner and seconded by Thomas Garcia. The motion was unanimously approved.

4. Approval of the March 15, 2023, Meeting Summary

Action: A motion to approve the March 15, 2023, meeting summary was made by Thomas Garcia and seconded by Mark Hoffman. Approval was unanimous.

5. PAG's Committee Operating Guidelines and TPC's Technical Advisory Role

[Video Timestamp: 5:53](#)

PAG Transportation Planning Director Jeanette DeRenne updated the Transportation Planning Committee on relevant issues and PAG's policies related to advisory committees' roles. Ms. DeRenne reminded the members of the TPC's role, reporting requirements, and operating guidelines. TPC is a standing technical advisory committee that provides technical review and develops recommendations on studies, reports and programs developed by PAG, while supporting PAG in the development of the TIP and RMAP. Discussion took place on technical items such as the pavement management system and air quality, and Ms. DeRenne added that the OWP does outline the programs staff is working on. She added that it is the responsibility of PAG to add those topics to the agenda when the need for technical review arises. Staff recognizes the value of everyone's time when developing the meeting agenda.

A question was asked and there was discussion on the committee's supporting role versus an oversight role. The committee acknowledged that the Regional Council has the oversight responsibility and approval for TIP not TPC.

This was an information item.

Presentation can be found: [HERE](#)

This was an information item.

6. Regional Mobility and Accessibility Plan (RMAP) Update

[Video TIMESTAMP: 30:52](#)

PAG Senior Transportation Planner David Mitchell presented an update on the development of PAG's upcoming long-range transportation plan, the 2055 RMAP. Mr. Mitchell explained the FAST Act performance measures, and how they have influenced the RMAP goals. He reminded the members of the current program, the 2045 RMAP Update, while reviewing the program's most recent performance report. Members were reminded of the current considerations for the 2055 RMAP.

Ms. Skinner asked how often the performance reports are generated, and Mr. Mitchell responded that they are done every time the long-range plan is updated. He mentioned that in the dashboard there is a report card that can be generated in real time for every performance measure. Access to that dashboard can be obtained by sending an email to dmitchell@pagregion.com.

Presentation can be found: [HERE](#)

This was an information item.

7. Regional Transportation Revenue

[VIDEO TIMESTAMP 58:25](#)

PAG Program and Policy Coordinator David Zynda reported on regional transportation revenues referenced in the agenda item memo as well as on the summary of year-to-date FY 2023 regionwide Highway User Revenue Fund (HURF) revenues. The meeting packet contained the following information:

- RTA collections just shy of \$12 million, higher than the previous year
- HURF distributions at \$120 million, 2% growth over last year
- HURF 12.6 roughly \$19 million for the year, 4% over last year
- HURF 2.6 had 10% growth, sitting at \$4.1 million

He referred to each of the tables giving the breakdown of each of the funding sources.

Ms. Skinner referenced the HURF 12.6% balances and the increase of \$22 million from February last year to this February. She asked what projects are not moving forward and that this balance is not going down. Mr. Zynda responded that he sees the revenue side not the expenditure side and can't speak to that but does know that \$15 million of that was recently programmed through the TIP Subcommittee process.

This was an information item.

8. Legislative Update

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PAG Program and Policy Coordinator David Zynda updated the Transportation Planning Committee on relevant transportation-related issues and policies of interest to the region at the state and federal level. Mr. Zynda provided the members with an in-depth update of the following bills:

- HB 2543: Appropriations; greater Arizona transportation projects
- SB 1064: I-10 widening Casa Grande to Chandler
- SB 1312: Prohibits VMT reduction goals, VMT tracking, and VMT tax
- SB 1313: General plan; transportation; independent study
- SB 1314: Transportation system performance; ADOT
- SB 1340: Toll roads; conversion; prohibition
- SB 1697: Highways; bicycle paths; walkways; prohibition
- SCR 1018: 2024 General Election ballot item - ban VMT Tax

Presentation can be found: [HERE](#)

This was an information item.

9. Transportation Systems and Safety Subcommittee (TSSS) Report

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PAG Director of Transportation Services Rick Ellis on behalf of Gabriel Thum, PAG Transportation Safety Program Coordinator, provided an update on the Transportation Systems and Safety Subcommittee and the Road Safety Assessment (RSA) program. Mr. Ellis informed the members of the difference between the RSA program and a traditional safety review program. Members were provided an in-depth review of how the RSA program conducts crash analyses, along with when and how RSAs are conducted. The potential benefits of an RSA include reduced crash frequency and severity.

Presentation can be found: [HERE](#)

This was an information item.

10. Pima County Presentation on the Safety Grant

[VIDEO TIMESTAMP 1:35:45](#)

Pima County Deputy Director Paul Casertano provided a presentation on Pima County's Safe Streets for All grant. Casertano addressed the data that has influenced the County's decision on funding, including the Regional Safety Action Plan concept. Casertano informed the members of future plans and next steps with the Safety Grant.

Ms. DeRenne asked if there are agencies within the organization partnering with his organization on the grant. Ms. Casertano responded that they will be working with other agencies on issues that can be addressed with partners.

Presentation can be found: [HERE](#)

This was an information item.

11. Future agenda items

Members requested the following:

- subcommittee of the TPC for the RMAP

Pursuant to state law, no discussion or action is allowed under this item.

12. Adjournment

Vice Chair Rodriguez adjourned the meeting at 11:00 a.m.