

Transportation Planning Committee (TPC) Meeting Summary

Summary of 9 a.m., February 18, 2026, meeting

The meeting can be viewed in its entirety at: <https://www.youtube.com/live/qc73rG3eXvQ>

Committee Members

Jose Rodríguez
Town of Oro Valley

Fausto Burruel
Town of Marana

Galovale Galovale
Town of Sahuarita

Jeremy Moore
ADOT – Southcentral District

Kathryn Skinner
Pima County DOT

Andy Bemis (Virtual)
City of Tucson

Committee Members Cont.

Mikel Oglesby (Virtual)
Sun Tran

Nadine Manuel (Virtual)
Tohono O’odham Nation

Natalie Shepp (Virtual)
PDEQ

Tony Bianchi (Virtual)
Tucson Airport Authority

PAG Staff Lead
Jeanette DeRenne

Ex-Officio
Jamie Brown, PAG/RTA

1. Call to Order and Introductions

The Chair called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m., and introductions were made.

2. In-kind Reporting

Staff informed the participants of the in-kind form, and members were asked to confirm their estimated in-kind time for the meeting.

3. Election of 2026 TPC Chair and Vice Chair

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PAG Transportation Planning Director Jeanette DeRenne informed the members that a new Chair and Vice Chair needed to be elected. The members were informed that the election was open to nominations as well as volunteers. Neither the Chair nor Vice Chair could be from the same jurisdiction as PAG's Regional Council Chair, which is currently Town of Marana, or Vice Chair, which is currently Town of Sahuarita.

Nominations were made by Fausto Burruel, Town of Marana, for Josué Licea, City of South Tucson, for Chair. Kathryn Skinner, Pima County, nominated herself for Vice Chair.

Action: Fausto Burruel, Town of Marana, nominated Josué Licea, City of South Tucson, to serve as Chair of TPC, Galovale Galovale, Town of Sahuarita, seconded the nomination and the nomination was passed unanimously.

Kathryn Skinner, Pima County, nominated herself to serve as Vice Chair, Fausto Burruel, Town of Marana, seconded the nomination and the nomination was passed unanimously.

4. Approval of Jan. 21, 2026, Meeting Summary

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Action: A motion to approve the Jan. 21, 2025, meeting summary was made by Jose Rodríguez, Town of Oro Valley, seconded by Fausto Burruel, Town of Marana, and passed unanimously.

5. Review and recommend approval of FY 2025–FY 2029 PAG Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment #2025.031

[Video Timestamp: 9:20](#)

Staff provided details on TIP Amendment #2025.031 as provided in the meeting materials. PAG Director of Strategic Planning, Programming and Policy Jamie Brown informed the members that PAG has been in communication with the City of Tucson and the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) staff regarding the use of HURF 2.6 funds to address the funding gap for the 22nd Street Bridge Project; the ADOT financial management services staff verified there are HURF 2.6 funds that are unprogrammed and what is being proposed would be eligible for those funds as well. Members were informed that another funding amount was proposed to exchange funding from the SR86 project of programmed RTA funds with HURF 2.6 funds. Mr. Brown indicated that \$11,462,000 of HURF 2.6 would be programmed as part of the action and that it was being proposed as an administrative amendment to honor the spirit of what was described in the TIP policies and procedures as it relates to the programming of HURF 2.6. Members were informed

that it would be proposed to amend the 22nd Street IGA, get the RTA Board approval of the amendment, and then process it as an administrative amendment.

Jim DeGrood, City of Tucson, informed the members of the 22nd Street Bridge Project funding gap and explained that the TIP amendment would cover contingency to cover additional expenses, as well as allow the City to finish and fund all the activities that have been conducted to date. Jose Rodríguez, Town of Oro Valley, asked if the project was fully funded. Mr. DeGrood informed the members that with the amendment it would be.

Kathryn Skinner, Pima County, asked for clarification on the type of amendment that was being proposed. Members were informed that instead of taking it to the Regional Council as a formal amendment, it would be an IGA amendment that would be taken to the RTA Board. Mr. Brown indicated that it would be an administrative amendment that would be processed after the RTA Board approves the IGA amendment. Ms. Skinner questioned whether there were assurances from ADOT that the STIP could be updated with an administrative amendment from PAG. Members were informed that PAG had received those assurances.

The members discussed the formal TIP amendment process and the channels of approval the amendments would have to go through. It was suggested to modify it to a formal amendment so it would be taken to the Regional Council and RTA Board in March. With the change of the amendment, it was recommended to modify the TIP amendment number to queue the next formal amendment in place, have the document reflect the changes to formal instead of administrative, and all figures and the spirit of intent are preserved.

Action: A motion was made to recommend approval of the TIP amendment, while also changing it from an administrative amendment to a formal amendment, including revising the TIP amendment number to #2025.040. The motion was made by Fausto Burruel, Town of Marana, seconded by Jose Rodríguez, Town of Oro Valley, and passed unanimously.

6. ADOT Statewide Listening Tour

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ADOT consultant Teresa Welborn provided a presentation on the ADOT Statewide Listening Tour. Members were informed that the tour started in 2025, and the goal was to strengthen the connection between the transportation system and the communities across Arizona. Ms. Welborn shared with the members that the tour was currently in the stakeholder phase of the tour and would go into the public outreach phase in the spring and summer of 2026.

Presentation can be found here: [Item-6-ADOT-Statewide-Listening-Tour-Presentation.pdf](#)

This item was for information only.

7. RMAP Amendment Procedure

[Video Timestamp: 29:40](#)

PAG staff provided an overview of the amendment process for the Regional Mobility and Accessibility Plan. PAG Transportation Planner Nicolas Giraldo provided members with a presentation of the RMAP amendment process that explained the differences between administrative modifications and amendments, along with their approval processes. Members were asked to review the amendment process table for feedback so that it may be incorporated into the RMAP.

Kathryn Skinner, Pima County, asked if all the RTA Next projects were in the current approved RMAP. PAG Transportation Planning Director Jeanette DeRenne informed the members that all projects were included with the exception of the Rita Road TI.

Jose Rodríguez, Town of Sahuarita, asked if a series of administrative modifications less than 25% would impact the RMAP financial constraint. Members were informed that as long as the total project cost was kept under the fiscally constrained cap, then it could be kept in the format that it is.

Presentation can be found here: [Item-7-RMAP-Amendment-Process-Presentation.pdf](#)

This item was for information only.

8. RTA Delivery Approach and Cash Flow Assessment – Status Update

[Video Timestamp: 46:45](#)

PAG/RTA staff provided updates on efforts to gather RTA project and program information, the development of a draft cash flow assessment and related efforts, such as developing a draft list of financially constrained projects. PAG Budget Manager James Towe informed the members of the project delivery schedule and cash flow. Members were informed that follow-up meetings had been held with the jurisdictions regarding project delivery projections, and the adjustments had been incorporated into the cash flow model. Mr. Towe indicated that the revised cash flow was being evaluated to develop a balanced approach to eliminate the need for bonding. Members were informed that once the overall delivery time frames were identified and agreed to, the jurisdictions would be asked for specific project schedules for the tracking system currently being developed. Mr. Towe explained that the information would be the basis for quarterly reports delivered to TMC and the RTA Board.

This item was for information only.

9. Updates related to the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

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PAG staff-provided updates will be on items related to PAG TIP-related activities. Members were informed that the RTAG competitive selection panel process was under way. PAG Program and Policy Manager Adam Ledford shared with members that there had been a minor change in the process of the administrative amendments to more closely align with MAG's best practices and asked for feedback from the committee.

This item was for information only.

10. Request for Future Agenda Items and Announcements

Members of the committee shared announcements pertaining to the business of the agencies. PAG Transportation Planning Director Jeanette DeRenne shared with the members that there were 20 days left until the RTA Next election.

Jose Rodríguez, Oro Valley, shared with the members that there would be a ribbon-cutting ceremony for the Oro Valley TABY project on March 1.

Members were informed of a scheduling conflict for the next meeting. The March TPC meeting will need to be rescheduled to a different date in March.

Paul Casertano, Pima County, asked if there could be a collective discussion in a future meeting on the new federal transportation bill and statute. Kathryn Skinner, Pima County, requested to have an ongoing conversation on safety.

****Pursuant to Arizona open meeting laws, the committee cannot discuss or take action today on any matters raised under this agenda item. Under this agenda item, committee members are also prohibited from returning to other agenda items which have been previously discussed and concluded earlier in this meeting.*

11. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:59 a.m.