

Management Committee Meeting Summary

Meeting Summary of Wednesday, March 18, 2026, Meeting

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Committee Members Present: Tim Thomure, City of Tucson
Terry Rozema, Town of Marana
Shane Dille, Town of Sahuarita
Jan Leshner, Pima County
Jason Bahe, Pascua Yaqui Tribe
Jeff Wilkins, Town of Oro Valley
Jeremy Moore, ADOT

Committee Members Absent: Veronica Moreno, City of South Tucson
Damascus Francisco, Tohono O’odham Nation

Staff Lead: Michael J. Ortega, P.E., Executive Director

AGENDA

1. Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 8:02 a.m.

2. Approval of January 14, 2026, Meeting Summary

Motion was made by Jan Leshner, Pima County, seconded by Shane Dille, Town of Sahuarita, and unanimously carried that the Management Committee of Pima Association of Governments approve the meeting summary of Jan. 14, 2026.

3. 2026 Chair and Vice Chair Positions for Management Committee

PAG Executive Director Michael J. Ortega reported that, traditionally, the Management Committee’s Chair and Vice Chair reflected the same jurisdiction as Regional Council and could continue with that approach if the members agreed. Hearing no arguments, a motion was made.

Motion was made by Jan Leshar, Pima County, seconded by Jeff Wilkins, Town of Oro Valley, and unanimously carried that the Management Committee of Pima Association of Governments nominate Terry Rozema, Town of Marana, as Chair and Shane Dille, Town of Sahuarita, as Vice Chair to serve as officers for 2026.

4. FY 2025–FY 2029 PAG Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment #2025.040

PAG Program and Policy Manager Adam Ledford provided the Management Committee with a brief report detailing TIP Amendment #2025.030, as provided in the meeting materials.

Motion was made by Shane Dille, Town of Sahuarita, seconded by Jan Leshar, Pima County, and unanimously carried that the Management Committee of Pima Association of Governments recommend approval of Amendment #2025.040 to the PAG FY 2025–FY 2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) including to change it from an administrative amendment to a formal amendment.

5. Regional Safety Coordination

PAG Executive Director Michael J. Ortega stated that this item is an opportunity for staff to follow up on a request from the Regional Council at its January 2026 meeting regarding regional coordination to inform safety investments.

Director of Transportation Services Rick Ellis detailed staff activity and next steps in an effort to help identify locations throughout the region where safety issues can be a significant concern.

Tim Thomure, City of Tucson, noted that Tucson’s Mayor and Council are excited about the opportunity to collaborate on regional safety coordination efforts which has always been a priority of Tucson to try to have safer modes of transportation, biking, walking and knowing that this is a resource available moving forward is of tremendous value to the region and to the city.

This is an information item; no action taken.

6. Pima Association of Governments (PAG) and Regional Transportation Authority (RTA) Committees

PAG Executive Director Michael J. Ortega and Communications Director Sheila Storm provided the Management Committee with an overview of the PAG and RTA Committee structure, as provided in the meeting materials. This item was at the request of the Regional Council at its January meeting.

The Management Committee reviewed the information provided and discussed the importance of having the Management Committee as an advisory committee that reports directly to the Regional Council, not the Executive Director as it currently stands.

Mr. Ortega reported that on the RTA side, the Admin Code was revised to have TMC and CART Committee report directly to the RTA Board and agrees with the feedback stating that it's important for the Management Committee to have a direct line to the Regional Council.

The Management Committee recommends staff begin the process to confirm the Management Committee as an advisory committee reporting directly to PAG's Regional Council.

No formal motion was made.

7. Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) 2026 Safety Performance Projections

ADOT's Safety Programs Manager Dr. Amirul Rajib provided the Management Committee with a presentation detailing ADOT's 2026 Safety Performance Projects.

Presentation: [2026 Safety Performance Projects](#)

Following the presentation, staff and the Management Committee discussed the details of the presentation including trends and patterns as well as clarifying points regarding the recommendation for the Management Committee to approve ADOT's annual safety performance projections in perpetuity.

Motion was made by Shane Dille, Town of Sahuarita, seconded by Jan Leshner, Pima County, and unanimously carried that the Management Committee of Pima Association of Governments recommend adoption of ADOT safety performance projections in perpetuity.

8. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:52 a.m.