



Meeting Summary
Bond Oversight Commission

February 23, 2015
Ward 6 Council Office
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Tucson, AZ 85716

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MEETING RESULTS

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

The facilitator, Janet Garcia, called the meeting to order at 5:30 and quorum was established.

Bond Oversight Commission Members

Present		Absent
Steve Pageau	Jesse Lugo	Dale Calvert
Lorraine Morales	Daniel Castro	
Ian Johnson	Ramon Gaanderse	
Ricky Hernandez	Steve Taylor	
Melvin Cohen	Bruce Burke	

2. Introduction of 2012 Bond Oversight Commission

The BOC and project team introduced themselves.

3. Review and Approval of Meeting Summary from October 23, 2014

The BOC reviewed and approved the Meeting Summary from January 12, 2015.

4. Review and approval of Draft BOC Annual Report

TDOT presented the BOC with the Annual Report. The BOC reviewed and approved the report with minor revisions. The BOC made a motion that the Chair grant final approval after the revisions are incorporated. Additionally, the BOC made a motion to report to Mayor and Council that the timing of the due date of the annual report is problematic give that it doesn’t integrate fiscal year end.

APPROVED MARCH 10, 2015

5. Bond Road Restoration Projects: TDOT and Procurement Department Presentations

a. *Bond Financial Report*

David Atler, TDOT, provided the BOC with a financial report and program update. He discussed the status of various projects.

b. *Discuss results of the motion BOC made to seek counsel regarding allocation of surplus funds to residential and arterial roadways.*

Given the surplus funds, TDOT presented the BOC with three different funding scenarios that showed how the \$40M would be allocated. Please note that from the existing pavement preservation program, the BOC has approved \$9M of the \$15M allocated to residential streets. As represented in the table below, the 'Total Residential Allocation' incorporates funding from the existing program and any additional funding from the surplus. Each scenario was represented graphically and had three components to consider; arterial allocation, residential allocation applying a worst-first methodology city-wide, residential allocation applying a worst-first methodology with attempt to balance funding per ward. TDOT recommended that the BOC select Scenario 2.

Scenario	Arterial Allocation	Residential Allocation	Total Residential Allocation
1	\$40M	0	\$15M
2	\$37M	\$3M	\$18M
3	\$34M	\$6M	\$21M

BOC Discussion

- Steve Pageau: I would like to see how we are prioritizing arterial roadways. Additionally, I don't know if other BOC members have heard from their council members, but I would like to know how we are incorporating the areas that they would like to see repaved.
- Steve Taylor: I looked at each of the scenarios. Because I am a taxpayer and represent Ward 2, if there aren't any improvements on the east side it doesn't make sense for those constituents to pay for the bonds. Something has to happen on the east side. I will be very disappointed if nothing does. We are all paying taxes on this.
- Ian Johnson: I think people are really noticing the arterial improvements. There is a lot of improvements city wide. The potential additional dollars that would be added to residential roadways is a very small percentage.
- Jesse Lugo: You have an election coming up, there are council members that would like to see their areas improved. I would like to see equal distribution among wards. We can all defend the need of residential streets.

- Ricky Hernandez: Early in the process, we decided to make our recommendations based on objective information and facts from TDOT. I need to be able to make intelligent decisions – not ones based on politics.
- Steve Taylor: Now that we have additional budget capacity, we can make choices based on public perception. If the public is paying taxes, we should give them something.
- Jesse Lugo: For the \$6M we have not approved on the residential streets, can we allocate the money equally per ward? The tangible vote is residential streets.
 - Daryl Cole: Yes you can. That is not the TDOT recommendation due to good pavement preservation techniques. The council members are very pleased that there are additional improvements that can be made to our City.
- Bruce Burke: The initial considerations that were made based on data. We wanted to identify the worst streets in the wards and arterials. Currently, we have extra budget capacity, can we ensure that this will be the situation in the future? Will asphalt go back to the old price? I don't want to leave the impression that the decisions we are making are set in stone. The public should know that this is a prediction, not a reality.
 - Daryl Cole: We have still made conservative estimates. If there are any problems, we will come back to the BOC. This is why it is important to prioritize roadways.
- Steve Pageau: I think the BOC can come to a consensus in regards to how much we would like to recommend be allocated to the arterials and residential.
- Steve Taylor: This is our opportunity to allocate more money to the residential program. We didn't anticipate the funding surplus, and now the BOC can consider putting more effort to the residential streets.
- Bruce Burke: The 85/15 split is the heart of what we campaigned.
- Lorraine Morales: Is there any discussion on less funding allocation for residential and more for the arterials. I spent time with TDOT learning more about the needs of our community. The discussion emphasized the importance of the arterials. Our roads are very poor, and when business comes to the community it is the arterials that they focus on.
- Steve Pageau: The residential streets are utilized by pedestrians that do not have sidewalks in their neighborhoods and also bicyclists. I believe we should take some of our funding and allocate it to the residential streets. We need to prioritize arterials, they need to be continuous, and be further reviewed.
- Steve Pageau: I would recommend the staff's recommendation for the dollar amounts (\$37M/\$3M). We should determine which scenario we are working with first.

The BOC made a motion to accept the staff recommended funding allocation of \$37M towards arterials and \$3M to residential streets. Total residential dollars would be \$9M; \$6M from existing program and \$3M additional from extra budget capacity.

Commission Member	Vote
Bruce Burke	Yes
Daniel Castro	Yes
Mel Cohen	Yes
Ramon Gaanderse	Yes
Ricky Hernandez	Yes
Ian Johnson	Yes
Lorraine Morales	Yes
Steve Pageau	Yes
Jesse Lugo	No
Steve Taylor	Abstain

- Ian Johnson: The majority of people in Tucson are not going to have their neighborhood paved. I think as a commission we need to get past that. It looks like there is a balanced amount of arterial improvements. I don't support balancing funding per ward. I would like to support the staff recommendation based on the need.
- Steve Taylor: I am in Ward 2. I am not doing this for the council member. I am supporting improvements in Ward 2 because I am a resident and a taxpayer.
- Dan Castro: I would support residential Scenario B (attempt to balance funding per ward). The original Scenario 3 of residential street improvements included improvements in Ward 1. I wish I would have known that, because I may have looked at a different scenario. Scenario B at least ensures me that there will be roads in Ward 1 that are improved.
- Jesse Lugo: It is important that our residential streets get a fair share. The residents are the voters.
- Steve Pageau: If I were in Dan's position, I would have a similar point of view. I think that there are needs in Ward 1 that we intended to meet. I think there is a compromise.

The BOC made a motion to accept Scenario B (attempt to balance funding per ward/ not scenario that TDOT staff recommended). This motion failed to pass.

Commission Member	Vote
Bruce Burke	No
Daniel Castro	Yes
Mel Cohen	No
Ramon Gaanderse	Yes
Ricky Hernandez	Yes

Ian Johnson	No
Lorraine Morales	No
Steve Pageau	No
Jesse Lugo	No
Steve Taylor	No

- Steve Pageau: Can we move a polygon from Ward 6 to Ward 1?
- Ian Johnson: I would request that the polygons taken out in Ward 6 not be ones that have bicycle boulevards. In Ward 6, there are some bicycle boulevards that are the most heavily used.
- Steve Pageau: I did hear from the council office that Chantilly, Country Club (22nd to Broadway), River Road, Camino Seco, and Camp Lowell are all roads that need to be considered to be improved.

The BOC made a motion to accept Scenario A, but to redistribute some of the polygons in Ward 6 to Ward 1 (worst-first city wide/ TDOT staff recommended).

c. *Discuss adding new arterial and collector roadway segments to the \$85M dollar allocation based on anticipated funding surplus.*

To summarize the funding allocation choices, the BOC recommended that the \$37M scenario be applied. Thus, \$37M will be allocated to arterial roadways and \$3M will be allocated to residential roadways. This leaves a total of \$9M dollars for residential improvements; \$6M from the existing program plus an additional \$3M from the funding surplus. Additionally for residential streets, Scenario A was recommended contingent on redistributions between Ward 6 and Ward 1. This scenario applies a worst-first methodology city-wide.

d. *Update on recent citizen communications and emails received by TDOT concerning Bond roadway or residential street improvements.*

TDOT has received comments from Ward 2 regarding improvements on Broadway near Camino Seco. TDOT has identified that this roadway is in poor condition and is currently evaluating the schedule of the RTA improvements.

6. Call to the Audience

Ted Prezelski, Ward 2 addressed the BOC. The number one call regarding transportation at Ward 2 is in regards to Broadway east of Camino Seco. Ward 2 is hoping to get some repairs to this roadway now, and for the RTA project to be moved. We would really appreciate if the commission and TDOT consider this option.

7. Future Meeting and Agenda items

The next weekend will be held at the Ward 6 Office on March 10, 2015 at 5:30 pm.

8. Adjournment

8:35 pm