



**URBAN CORE FACILITIES SUBCOMMITTEE OF THE
TUCSON/PIMA COUNTY BICYCLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Tuesday, June 23, 2015

MEETING MINUTES — APPROVED August 18, 2015

The **URBAN CORE FACILITIES SUBCOMMITTEE** conducted a meeting at **6:00 P.M., Tuesday, June 23, 2015** at Time Market, 444 E University Blvd, Tucson, AZ 85705.

1. Call to Order / Roll Call / Call to the Public

Present: Colby Henley, Ian Johnson, Gabe Thum, Robin Steinberg, Ann Chanecka, Kylie Walzak
Robin is interested in a breakdown of how roads/maintenance/etc. are paid for — esp. in regards to HURF and maintenance. Nathan Barrett at PAG might have that info.

2. Approval of minutes from previous meetings

Robin moves to approve, Ian seconds, all in favor.

3. Public Input Process for Bicycle Boulevards and Major Bike Routes

This is carried over from Treat and Third discussion — how can we make it easier to switch signs, make other safety improvements on major bike routes. In Portland, they recognize regional corridors rather than neighborhood circulators. They hold an open house, explain menu of options, get real input on design, what might be palatable. Then they take feedback and come up with preliminary plan, and a couple months later they hold second open house and show their plans. They take comments, usually a few nay sayers. Then they take feedback, then generally the director stamps approval. CH: What's the process now? The neighborhood traffic calming process is how it works now: adjacent areas, 60% signatures within defined area. Or, postcard to area, then 40% or less negative. Much more tightly local than the new proposed idea. Tom used the old process, but the projects were huge, so was able to spread out the feedback over larger numbers. But it's harder to do that when we don't have the funding for larger projects. For 5th, Ann used the process but it was very small. Also we might get engineering guidelines in there too. Making sure the elected officials know ahead of time when complaints are likely to come in. What can we do tonight? We can help by writing a letter to Daryl — mention engineering standards, we know this change was attempted previously, we encourage TDOT to try a new process for these regional network facilities. Provide example of how the current process allows 1 neighbor to derail the process, etc. CC city manager's office. Possibly CC Steve K. Most heavily travelled bike route in the region. Possibly mention LAB feedback on low-stress bike facilities. Just resurfaced, encouraging more bikes than ever — leaving paving gap between Tucson and Country Club. Ian moves, Robin seconds, all in favor.

4. Update on Stone Avenue Cycle Track near new Courthouse

Council to Pennington on Stone — extension of cycle track. Draft design in place. We should write a letter, including a map, that shows the connectivity, and ask for two way of Pennington — mention ADTs. Maybe we can start working with Justin Williams, Michael Keith, etc. could help the Pioneer owner get on board. Possibly a signal head for northbound bikes. Possibly no left turn on red. What would we have to do with Pennington to get converted back to two ways? Maybe for a future master plan.

5. Pedestrian Bollards for Downtown Crossings

There is a news story today on KVOA — maybe it was the congress one? Ann reviews policy as it stands — moving forward. Issue is mostly how will be replaced when knocked down? We'll need to present logical arguments and good data for each location. Also, must there already be a painted crosswalk? If there isn't one, can one be added? In many cases we'd want to request lower speeds to meet 25 mph requirements. TDOT will make an analysis if requested by council office. Maybe a future agenda item is to ask Diahn to talk about speed reduction process.

6. Staff/Member Updates

Diversion program rolling along — first class is July 18. Law enforcement can attend for free. Will check into others being able to review.

Bike share consultant is in town. Kick off meeting for Arroyo Chico tomorrow. Technical advisory committee — feasibility study wrapping up in next two weeks. Funding mechanism: \$1.3 million in capital investments. O&M is going to be another issue.

7. Topics, Date and Location for Next Meeting

Time Market.

We should talk about 22nd street Project at some point soon.

RS: How should intersections look, generally, in the urban core and the city. Maybe Gabe could give presentation on pork chops and right turn lanes, etc. which can be good if they're done right. Some new stuff has come out that might be a real improvement.

RS: Professional development at TDOT? What are they doing?

8. Adjournment