



**Meeting Minutes Approved 3/20/19**  
City of Tucson Pedestrian Advisory Committee

**February 20, 2019, 6:00 pm**  
**City of Tucson Ward 6 Council Office**  
**3202 East 1<sup>st</sup> Street, Tucson, AZ 85716**

<p><b>Present:</b></p> <p>Gabriela Barillas-Longoria</p> <p>John Anderson</p> <p>Wendy Lotze (Vice Chair)</p> <p>Alex Stoicof</p> <p>Samuel Jensen</p> <p>Vanessa Cascio</p> <p>Justin Currie</p> <p>Edward Gervasoni</p>	<p><b>Absent:</b></p> <p>Maia Ingram</p> <p>Valerie Vinyard</p>
<p><b>Audience:</b></p> <p>Krista Hansen, TDOT</p> <p>Greg Paul, UA Alternate Transportation</p> <p>Julian Griffee, TDOT intern</p> <p>Doris Martin</p> <p>Larry Martin</p>	<p><b>Audience cont.</b></p> <p>ESL Instructor for the blind</p>

1. Call to Order, Introductions

Wendy Lotze called the meeting to order at 6:07 pm. 8 members in attendance.

2. Approval of Minutes

Motion by Vanessa Cascio to approve the December minutes. Seconded by Justin Currie. **Unanimous voice vote passed: 8 in favor, 0 opposed.**

3. Call to the Audience & Announcements

Audience members, Larry and Dorris Martin from Ward 2 addressed the PAC, invited by Ed Gervasoni. Discussion held. **No action taken.**

4. Staff Updates: Tucson Police Dept., Tucson Dept. of Transportation, PAG

**Krista Hansen, Tucson Department of Transportation (TDOT)**

- Complete Streets: Mayor and council unanimously adopted complete streets policy on February 5<sup>th</sup>. TDOT's commitments in the next 90 days include: Staff developing plan for advisory committee made up of directors of each department within the City of Tucson (technical advisory committee). By September staff will be developing design guidelines, which will involve updating plans. Hiring full-time Complete Streets Program Coordinator, application due 2/24.
- Sentinel Peak Survey: TDOT will be launching survey for Sentinel Peak, initiated by City Manager's office, and community concerns about people walking and biking up the road. There will be an open house to gather people's priorities for the park and how they use the park and will gather public input on car-free times for safety and recreational use. Invited Gabe Thum who did a mini- road safety assessment at Sentinel Peak, to come up with short term, mid-term, long-term recommendations.

**Tucson Police Department** not present. Krista will send out report to the PAC after the meeting.

**Pima Association of Governments (PAG)** not present. The PAC will invite the new PAG rep, David Mitchell to the next meeting.

5. Welcome new PAC member- Samuel Jensen

Appointed as mayor representative. Graduate Planning Student at UA, background in transportation, moved to Tucson one year ago from Minneapolis. Worked in different transportation capacities (bus driver, train conductor, bike advocacy, co-founder of Milwaukee Transit Riders Union, community organizing around transportation issues). Interest in the intersection between built environment, equity, and streets. Discussion held. **No action taken.**

6. Update: City of Tucson's Pedestrian Safety Action Plan, Krista Hansen TDOT

- Hiring consultant company to finish the PSAP. Tucson is a FHWA Bike and Pedestrian Safety Focus City due to high rate of pedestrian injuries and fatalities. The PSAP is a roadmap for reducing and eliminating serious injury and fatality pedestrian crashes in Tucson. Connection to other city plans and initiatives (Complete Streets, Mobility Master Plan, PROP 407).
- Project scope objectives include pedestrian crash analysis (i.e. who is involved in pedestrian crashes in Tucson, what behaviors are contributing to pedestrian crashes, when are pedestrian crashes occurring), and where are the crashes happening (road characteristics). Going to create

“collision profiles” of top contributing factors. Location prioritization- high crash corridors and intersections. Safety countermeasure pairing will pull together traffic calming, education, etc. Plan will include key recommendations and action plan. Consultants will come to PAC and provide updates with the plan.

- Technical advisory committee will help select and prioritize safety countermeasures, prioritize projects, PAC will receive 2-3 presentations and monthly updates. Justin Currie and Samuel Jensen are interested in serving as a PAC representative. Krista Hansen will share the scope of work with the PAC when it is finalized.

#### 7. Update: Complete Streets Tucson

Gabriela Barillas-Longoria and Alex Stoicof spoke at Mayor and Council meeting on 2/5/19. City Council Member Steve Kozachik's made a comment about the design guidelines at the council meeting, Alex Stoicof asked how the PAC can get involved in the design guidelines process. PAC members discussed including “Complete Streets Tucson Updates” as a recurring agenda item at each meeting.

#### 8. Housekeeping

##### a. Committee Membership & Leadership

- **John Anderson made a motion to nominate Wendy Lotze as the PAC Chair for one year. Seconded by Justin Currie. Unanimous voice vote passed: 8 in favor, 0 opposed.**
- **John Anderson nominated Samuel Jensen to be the Vice Chair. Seconded by Wendy Lotze. Unanimous voice vote passed: 8 in favor, 0 opposed.**
- Ed Gervasoni does not feel comfortable serving as the disability community representative as someone who does not live the experience of a person with disability, despite his career working with the disability community. He recruited an ESL instructor from the Southern Arizona Association for the Visually Impaired (SAAVI) who teaches mobility skills and is blind himself who is present at the meeting as a member of the audience. Ed Gervasoni will stay on the committee until he fills the position with someone who is more representative of the disability community.

##### b. March Meeting Agenda

Complete Streets Updates; Potential guest Gabe Thum from Pima Association of Governments; PSAP, invite Blake who will lead the Traffic Safety Working Group from TDOT; revisit goals for the PAC. Supporting documents will be included in the meeting packet for the PAC to review before the next meeting.

#### 9. Round-Robin Check In

- Wendy Lotze: Shared BAC letter from Kylie Walzack sent to the Mayor and Council.
- Vanessa Cascio: Steve Kozachik mentioned an open house forum regarding the 3<sup>rd</sup> St Bike Blvd facilitated by the Center for Community Dialogue at the Benedictine Monastery.

**Meeting Adjourned at 7:42 pm.**