



Broadway Boulevard, Euclid to Country Club

2013 Annual Report

December 4, 2013

The following report summarizes the activities of the Broadway Boulevard Citizens Planning Task Force (BBTF) during the 2013 calendar year.

Citizens Task Force Meetings January - December

The Citizens Task Force has had a total of 15 Task Force and public meetings. Of those 15 meetings, two were community-wide public meetings (Public Meeting #2 on February 28; Public Meeting #3 on September 26), and one an open house for business owners and property owners in the project area (Open House on September 27). The rest of the meetings were regularly scheduled, and noticed, Task Force meetings held at Child & Family Resources at 2800 E. Broadway.

Membership changes have occurred, resulting in the loss of three original Task Force members. The members lost, and new members gained are, are as follows:

- Planning Commission:
 - Steven Eddy, 2/28/13 resignation
 - Joseph Maher, Jr., 4/12/13 appointment
- Tucson-Pima County Bicycle Advisory Committee:
 - Elizabeth Scott, 6/20/13 resignation
 - Naomi McIsaac, 8/19/13 appointment
- Citizens Transportation Advisory Committee:
 - Farhad Moghimi, 8/19/13 resignation
 - Dale Calvert, 8/19/13 appointment

Activities and efforts of the CTF during 2013 were spent largely developing the foundational elements for the project. These elements are designed to help measure the alternatives being considered for the roadway design, and ultimately to assist with selection of initial roadway widths and design alternatives on which to perform additional analysis and study.

- **Draft Vision and Goal Statements:** A draft Vision Statement was developed, and a number of goals that have been organized into 6 goal categories:

Planning and Design Process

Multi-modal Street Design

Right-of-Way Impacts

Sustainability

Neighborhoods & Districts

Buildings and Site Development

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Each goal category has a number of sub-goal topics. Within each sub-goal topic, there are often multiple goals, which points to the tensions that exist among the Task Force members individually, but also the community they represent.

As the planning and design process progresses, and more opportunities are created to review the alternatives being considered, refinements to the Vision and Goals are expected.

- **Draft Performance Measures:** Approximately 57 performance measures have been discussed as measures to test the different alternatives. These relate to the draft Vision and Goal Statements, and have been organized into 10 categories. Eleven measures, in italics below, were presented at the September 26 community-wide meeting, representing 9 of the 10 categories (as shown):

<u>Transportation-specific</u>	<u>Non-Transportation-specific</u>
* Pedestrian Access & Mobility <i>Pedestrian Environment</i>	* Sense of Place <i>Potential Historic & Sign. Building Impacts</i> <i>Visual Quality</i>
* Bicycle Access & Mobility <i>Bicycling Environment</i>	* Environment/Public Health <i>Walking and Biking Health Benefits</i>
* Transit Access & Mobility <i>Transit Travel Time</i> <i>Accommodation of HCT</i>	* Economic Vitality <i>Change in Economic Potential</i>
* Vehicular Access & Mobility <i>Through Traffic Movement</i>	* Project Cost <i>Construction and Acquisition Cost</i>
* Person Access & Mobility	* Certainty <i>City's Ability to Maintain Improvements</i>

Public input was gathered at the public meeting regarding community priorities relative to the performance measures. This input, along with public input on the street width alternatives, will inform the next segments of work that will be undertaken at the end of 2013 and throughout 2014. Additionally, some performance measures are able to be used at the current level of design (roadway width; mid-block cross-sections), but others are not. As the 2-mile-corridor-long design alternatives are developed in 2014, the CTF and project team will refine and potentially winnow the 57 performance measures down to a smaller number of measures to rate the performance of the design alternatives.

- **Initial Street Width Alternatives:** Street widths being considered as part of the planning and design phase roughly fall into 4 groupings – 4 mixed-flow (car and bus) lanes, 4-lanes + 2 dedicated transit lanes, 6 mixed-flow lanes, and 6-lanes + 2 dedicated transit lanes. The configurations of these have been discussed with the Task Force and initial alternatives were presented at the September 26 public meeting. Public input and discussions at Task Force meetings have resulted in the selection of initial “bookends” configurations moving forward into initial detailed analysis and study, which will be presented and discussed at early 2014 Task Force meetings. The coming months/year will involve reviewing the

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different alternatives at Task Force meetings, using data and information developed by the professional project team, with an aim to develop a design concept for the 2-mile project area by Fall 2014.

Expectations for 2014

The Task Force will continue to meet through calendar year 2014, and it is estimated that approximately 2 public meetings will be held in the process to help identify a Corridor Design Concept. It is the goal to bring a recommended Concept to the Tucson Mayor and Council for their direction to move forward with detailed technical work to complete a Design Concept Report and 15%-30% initial construction plans.

The Task Force meeting schedule will be posted online and with the Clerk's Office as soon as dates are confirmed and approved at a Task Force meeting.

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Approved by Broadway Boulevard Citizens Planning Task Force at _____ meeting.