MEMORANDUM

Date: April 25, 2019

To: The Honorable Chairman and Members
   Pima County Board of Supervisors

From: C.H. Huckelberry
       County Administrator

Re: Pima County Transportation Advisory Committee Meeting April 23, 2019

On April 23, 2019 the Pima County Transportation Advisory Committee (PCTAC) held their monthly meeting. At the request of Supervisor Ally Miller’s appointee, Albert Letzkus, the meeting was held at a conference room in the Natural Resources Parks and Recreation (NRPR) Administration building at Orange Grove and River. While this room would have easily accommodated the number of people that historically have attended the PCTAC meetings, Supervisor Miller orchestrated a turnout of over 100 people, including bussing in residents of the Fountains at La Cholla Senior Assisted Living Community.

Department of Transportation (DOT) staff managed the situation well by adding seats and an audio speaker in the lobby. However, Supervisor Miller’s orchestration created an unfortunate situation for NRPR customers seeking services from the reception desk. This could have been avoided if Supervisor Miller notified DOT of the need for a larger meeting facility.

Of those attending the meeting, 26 people spoke during Call to the Audience. Most comments focused on requests to repair roads within the speakers’ neighborhoods. A few people who the Board has heard from before, falsely accused the County of misspending transportation funding, and attempted to drum up support against the County in general. Others provided productive suggestions for PCTAC to consider.

Overall, PCTAC had a productive meeting and approved a recommendation for how the DOT will prioritize road repair with $15 million in the proposed budget for Fiscal Year (FY) 2019/2020. PCTAC approved the following:

That the proposed FY 2019/2020 $15 million department allocation for pavement repair/preservation be prioritized as follows:

- Distribute funding equally by Board of Supervisor District;
- Distribute 50 percent of funding to local roads and 50 percent to arterial/collectors;
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- Generate a road list of the above allocations using StreetSaver program algorithms maximizing value;
- Prioritize local road funding to repair worst roads first; and
- Allow Department of Transportation staff to adjust and generate final road list selection through:
  o Minimizing mobilization costs by strategic grouping;
  o Minimizing fragmentation of work within subdivisions or along arterial/collector roadway segments; and
  o Selecting additional roadway segments to allocate budget remnants.

DOT will now take this methodology, and using the StreetSaver program, develop a list of roads to repair with this funding. Once a final list of roads is developed, DOT will proceed through the procurement process to competitively select contractors to begin the work in the first quarter of FY 2019/2020. The final list of selected roads will be provided to the Board and PCTAC in May.

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