



**PIMA COUNTY TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE
(PCTAC)**

**Abrams Public Health Department, 3950 S. Country Club Road
Tuesday, November 5, 2019
12:00 PM**

Members Present: Albert Letzkus, Eric Ponce, Kendall Elmer, John Wallace, Don Weaver, Lucretia Free, Edwin Verburg, John Bernal, Tom McGovern and Curtis Lueck

Members Absent: Yolanda Weinberger, Dan Eckstrom and Dan Castro

Others Present: Carmine DeBonis Jr. (Deputy County Administrator-Public Works), Yves Khawam (Assistant County Administrator-Public Works), Ana Olivares (PCDOT), Jim Cunningham (PCDOT), Kathryn Skinner (PCDOT), Robert Lane (PCDOT), Rich Franz-Under (PCDOT), Annabelle Valenzuela (PCDOT), Jessica De La Ossa (PCDOT), La Tasha Parker (PCDOT), Priscilla Molina (PCDOT)

1. **Pledge of Allegiance - Lucretia Free, PCTAC Chair, (Part 1 - 00:08)**
2. **Call to Order - Roll Call - Chair Free, (Part 1 - 00:40)**
Chair Free calls the meeting to order at 12:01 P.M. Ms. Parker takes roll call and a quorum is present.
3. **Action: Approval of Meeting Summary for October 22, 2019 - Chair Free, PCTAC (Part 1 - 01:21)**
Mr. Ponce makes a motion to approve the meeting minutes and Mr. Letzkus seconds. Motion passes unanimously.

Chair Free welcomed the newest PCTAC member John Wallace to the committee to represent District 3. Mr. Wallace has been an engineering consultant in Tucson for the past 35 years. His expertise includes flood control, floodplains and drainage. Mr. Wallace has previously worked at Pima County's Flood Control.

Call to the Audience - (Part 1 - 03:05)

Martha Michaels - Sabino Town Country Estates - Pima County residents cannot easily meet their neighbors because of the decades long neglect of local roads. The various usage of the roads whether by vehicular or non-vehicular modes are unsafe and this harms the social fabric of Pima County. Please pave roads in Sabino Town Country Estates and others as soon as possible.

Brain Bickel - Foothills Clusters – Reminded the committee of his request to collaborate with Pima County regarding future road repairs in the Foothills Clusters neighborhood. In addition, Mr. Bickel recently attended a public forum, which discussed proposed changes to the intersection on Skyline and

Ana M. Olivares, P.E., Director

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Sunrise. He requested additional funding be found to extend the left turn lane from Skyline onto Sunrise during the project for safety reasons.

4. **Public Engagement Update** - *Annabelle Valenzuela, PCDOT* (Part 1 - 11:19)

As of October 30th, approximately 1954 residents of Pima County have responded to the public engagement survey. Department of Transportation (DOT) has continued to post on social media and extended the call to the audience during scheduled PCTAC meetings until November. DOT is utilizing the Nextdoor application, which is a social network for neighborhoods. Nextdoor has reached out to over 183,000 Pima County residents and an additional 300 responses were received. Ms. Valenzuela and the committee reviewed and discussed the responses received on the survey. Ms. Valenzuela presented a map and table to illustrate the responses received by zip codes and Board of Supervisors District.

Ms. Skinner explained how Survey Monkey automatically searches for commonly used words and how the filter feature works. Ms. Valenzuela presented a list of frequently repeated common words and phrases from the word cloud. The next sub-committee meeting on November 22nd will work through the combination of word features. Mr. Verburg suggested having all comments thoroughly read for content analysis. Ms. Olivares requested the sub-committee give guidelines and ideas of what words to review in the open-ended comments.

5. **Pay-As-You-Go Update** - *Yves Khawam, Assistant County Administrator- Public Works* (Part 2 - 00:17)

Mr. Khawam stated there were three items pertaining to Transportation that were discussed at the BOS Meeting this morning. Agenda Item number 16 was a plan by Supervisor Miller to fund the roads at higher level. One of the problems identified with the plan entails the statutory limitation that cannot spend more than \$.25 cents out of the primary tax for roads. This plan was not approved. The next topic discussed was Agenda Item number 17 in regards to the Pay-As-You-Go policy. It does not bind the BOS each fiscal year but is a directive for staff to prepare the budget to add \$5M to road repairs this fiscal year. It will increase by \$5M each fiscal year until 2023 when it will cap at \$25M. The State Highway User Revenue Fund (HURF) and Vehicle License Tax (VLT) revenue funds will suffice to cover the roadway improvements following fiscal year 2029. Agenda Item number 18 entailed utilizing part of the fund balance of last fiscal year of \$10M for this fiscal year budget on road repairs.

Mr. Letzkus inquired about the Pay-As-You-Go funding. If the BOS approves of the policy, there will be \$36M total funds that can be allocated to this fiscal year with the understanding that \$10M from last fiscal year's balance along with the \$15M from the department and the \$6M from HURF funds. Mr. Letzkus also inquired about the Pavement Condition Index column on the table and how it may be impacted by the Pay-As-You-Go policy. Mr. Khawam stated the PCI columns show what the PCI will be with and without the additional \$10M.

Mr. Bernal asked about the discussion at the BOS meeting with Mr. Huckelberry on the challenges of using General Fund monies collected from taxes in the region because incorporated communities may want a share of those funds. Mr. Khawam stated with the 1997 bond, \$298M was allocated to projects

within incorporated areas. Funds from the unincorporated segments of Pima County were transferred to incorporated municipalities. Until we reach \$298M from the General Fund, there will be no tax equity issue with the municipalities. The Pay-As-You-GO policy proposal is \$230M over 11 years, which is under the \$298M.

6. **Roadway Condition and Prioritization Update** - *Rich Franz-Under, PCDOT* (Part 2- 12:13)
Mr. Franz-Under stated as of November 3rd, the LiDAR van has completed 850 miles thus far. The van is on schedule for collecting all miles by the end of November. DOT will receive the first installment of data by mid-December and the remaining data by the end of December. Detailed work plans are in effect to track on-going progress throughout the holidays to ensure the new Pavement Condition Index (PCI) is in the StreetSaver model. StreetSaver will run various scenarios regarding arterial/collectors and local roads and will be presented to the full PCTAC meeting December 5th.
7. **Fiscal Year 2019/2020 Pavement Program Update** - *Robert Lane, PCDOT* (Part 2 - 14:40)
Mr. Lane stated the Estrella Subdivision work is underway and the Americans with Disability Act (ADA) ramps are being installed. Green Valley Fairway No. 3 was awarded and is moving forward with the ADA ramps. The remaining local street projects were awarded and a contractor is in place. North Manor Subdivision will be going to bid mid-November. The Job Order Contractors for Green Valley roads will begin in March and conclude end of June. The Master Agreements for surface treatments were approved. Mr. Lane presented photos of road repair projects that are currently underway. The road repair and preservation project map was updated with planned, active construction and completed projects.
8. **Thin Lift Asphalt Update** - *Ana Olivares, PCDOT Director* (Part 2 - 21:08)
Ms. Olivares stated the draft specification for the thin lift overlay has been completed. Letters were sent to contractor stakeholders and Pima Association of Governments agency Directors for their input and review by November 22nd. Their comments will be taken into consideration to finalize the specification for thin lift overlay.
9. **Next Meeting December 3, 2019, Abrams Public Health Center** - *Lucretia Free, PCTAC Chair*, (Part 2 - 21:48)
 - a. **Agenda Items** - Due by November 15, 2019 to Annabelle.Valenzuela@pima.gov
 - b. **Location** -
Abrams Public Health Center, 3950 S. County Club
Meeting begins at noon
10. **Call to the Audience** - *Chair Free*, (Part 2 - 22:33)
Martha Michaels - Sabino Town and Country Estates - Would like to thank Mr. Verberg for the suggestion to read all the comments of the survey question responses to understand the context.

Motion: Tom McGovern made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Mr. Lueck second. Motion passes unanimously.

Meeting Adjourned.