



**PIMA COUNTY TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**SUMMARY OF WEBEX MEETING  
Tuesday, October 27, 2020  
12:00 PM**

**Members Present:** John Bernal, Kendall Elmer, Lucretia Free, Tom McGovern, Frank Santa Cruz, Ed Verburg, John Wallace, and Don Weaver.

**Members Absent:** Albert Letzkus, Dan Eckstrom, Eric Ponce, Yolanda Weinberger

**Also Present:** Transportation Staff: Ana Olivares, Director; Jim Cunningham, Deputy Director; Kathryn Skinner, Deputy Director; Rich Franz-Under, Annabelle Valenzuela, John Olivas, Michelle Montagnino.

The Chair welcomed the committee, calling the meeting to order promptly at noon.

<b>Item</b>	<b>Agenda Item</b>	<b>Recording Time</b>
1.	<b>Pledge of Allegiance</b> – <i>Lucretia Free, PCTAC Chair</i>	01:22
2.	<b>Call to Order and Roll Call</b> – <i>Lucretia Free, PCTAC Chair/Annabelle Valenzuela, PCDOT Staff</i> Ms. Valenzuela took attendance; a meeting quorum was achieved.	02:00
3.	<b><u>Approval of Meeting Summary for September 22, 2020</u></b> – <i>Lucretia Free, PCTAC Chair</i> Mr. Weaver motioned to approve; Mr. Santa Cruz seconded. The motion passed unanimously.	03:53
4.	<b><u>Fiscal Year 2020/2021 Road Repair Program</u></b> – <i>Michelle Montagnino, PCDOT Staff</i> Please refer to Ms. Montagnino’s presentation for details regarding: Five completed JOC projects consisting of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 5.3 miles of arterial/collector roads and 13.7 of local roads completed.</li> </ul> Three contracts awarded last month: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Green Valley Curb Ramps</u>–Includes 202 ADA Ramps within four subdivisions.</li> <li>• <u>Sandario Road</u>–Includes paving pullouts of unpaved named streets along Sandario Road and 16.62 miles of Sandario Road from Emigh Road to Ajo Highway.</li> <li>• <u>Crack Sealing Surface Treatment</u>–Includes 20 miles of crack sealing on 13 different arterial collector roadways.</li> </ul> Nine projects advertised as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Oct. 2</u>–A hard bid project for local roads in BOS Districts 2, 3 and 5 includes milling and paving within 19 subdivisions of 42.18 miles of local roads without curb ramps.</li> <li>• <u>Oct. 14</u>–A hard bid package for local roads in BOS Districts 1 and 4. It is a milling and paving project with 23.8 miles of local roads without curb ramps. 19 subdivisions &amp; 6 local roads.</li> <li>• <u>Oct. 15</u>–The Sahuarita Road JOC Contract for arterial milling and paving of Sahuarita Road from SR 83 west to Houghton and a small section of Charleston Avenue.</li> <li>• <u>Oct. 23</u>–A BOS District 1 project for milling and paving of 9.46 miles of arterial roadways, specifically in sections of Ina, Orange Grove, La Cañada, River and Shannon.</li> <li>• <u>Oct. 30</u>–The Green Valley Road Repair project is a follow-on to ADA JOC contract for milling and paving 14.82 miles of local roads within 7 subdivisions, an additional 1.8 miles of arterial collectors.</li> <li>• <u>Nov. 9</u>–a hard bid surface treatment and a follow-on to the crack seal project, includes 1.7 miles of Double Chip seal, 4.9 miles of Microseal and 11.36 miles of Fog Seal. subdivisions and 6 other local roads will be worked on. The award recommendation will be before the BOS on Dec. 15.</li> </ul>	05:40

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	<p>Three JOC ADA projects. Roadways for these projects are getting milled and paved; JOCs are forthcoming:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Cardinal and Drexel</u>—smallest project includes 119 ADA Ramps in 3 subdivisions of Manzanita area north of Valencia on either side of Cardinal Avenue.</li> <li>• <u>ADA Ramps North of CDO</u> – includes 230 ADA Ramps in 7 subdivisions generally located north of Ina and west of Thornydale.</li> <li>• <u>ADA Ramps South of CDO</u> – project includes 213 ADA Ramps in 5 subdivisions, located south of Ina and west and north of Thornydale/River.</li> </ul>	12:30
	<p>Ms. Montagnino reported that the updated map reflects FY 21 roadway progress. Once construction begins in the field, roadways will be turned to ‘active construction.’ When all field construction activity is completed, map will be changed to ‘complete’ to avoid confusing the general public.</p>	15:05
	<p>Mr. McGovern noted Green Valley Map has an ‘X’ on Santa Rebecca Road and asked what it meant. Ms. Montagnino informed the ‘X’ was a cursor captured during the copied screen shot and not intended to be there. She confirmed Rebecca Road will be part of the package.</p>	15:52
	<p>Mr. McGovern asked if enough contractors are available to do all this work and get good bids? What is PCDOT’s assessment of that? Ms. Montagnino informed that the bids have come in competitively with good results and a lot of bidding interest.</p>	16:44
	<p>Mr. McGovern expressed concern over there being many Phoenix companies in the past six months or so and they seem to really be focusing on the Tucson market. He wondered if that is still expected to be seen or if they [Phoenix] have gotten enough work of their own in Phoenix now, that they can get by without Tucson? Ms. Montagnino replied interest continues to be seen from Phoenix.</p>	16:54
	<p>Chair Free asked if the Tucson contractors bidding for work are not the lowest bid and therefore not getting the bid, since the lowest bid wins? Ms. Montagnino responded, yes, that is correct.</p>	17:48
5.	<p><a href="#"><u>South Wilmot Road to Sahuarita Road Fiber Reinforcement Asphaltic Concrete</u></a> –  <i>Ana Olivares, PCDOT Director</i>          Ms. Olivares first followed-up on Mr. McGovern’s question regarding contractors in Tucson. She reported there is much work and PCDOT must make sure work is available for JOC and hard bids. The majority of the contracts in Tucson are JOC work. Though some hard bid is getting interest from other areas, PCDOT does have \$56 million in projects – which is a lot of work – to get completed. PCDOT welcomes anyone willing to do the work within the allotted time to spend the money this fiscal year. 2020 has seemed to be a long year, however, June 30, 2021 is fast approaching. PCDOT is quickly getting it all advertised to make sure commitments are met.</p>	18:18
	<p>Regarding South Wilmot Road project, at the last meeting Joseph Schmidlin discussed fiber in the asphalt. PCDOT used some fiber-reinforced concrete for the South Wilmot Road project which was part of the 2006 RTA program. The RTA project called for PCDOT to pave a 7-mile section. The project was constructed in 2017 and consisted of applying 2.5 inches of asphalt over 12-inches of cement treated subgrade. As PCDOT was designing the project, some fiber contractors inquired about the possibility of using reinforced fibers in the asphalt. This offered an opportunity compare the County’s regular standard pavement mix against two different fiber-reinforced options. Test strips were two-mile segments within 7 miles of brand new pavement.</p>	19:34

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	All mixes started with the same base and for the first two miles, there are sections that have Forta-Fi fibers on one side and Ace fibers on the other side. This provides longitudinal and transvers comparisons next to regular asphalt installed in 2017. Recent 2020 inspections show no significant cracking but it is expected that yearly monitoring will show differences within all three surface applications.	21:12
	Mr. McGovern asked when normal initial treatment of new asphalt would occur—is it at five or six years when a fog or slurry seal might be done? Ms. Olivares replied that the road should be expected to show up in the Pavement Management Program in about five years for a treatment. The road will be reviewed at that time to verify if treatment will be needed.	22:50
	Mr. McGovern would like to get PCIs before and after, every few years, on the 2 and 5 mile segments to compare normal [segments] with these [treatments] to see, perhaps a performance curve that could be developed maybe ahead of the test tract on Sandario. Ms. Olivares agreed with the idea and informed that there were readings taken for PCDOT’s section. She would need to check on the other five miles, which are on the City of Tucson side.	26:12
	Chair Free asked if, at this point, there were any noted differences between treatments. Ms. Olivares replied, no, they currently all look the same.	27:124
<b>6. Meeting Schedule Discussion – Lucretia Free, PCTAC Chair</b>	Chair Free asked if the committee opposed skipping the December meeting, since the action item on the agenda was previously addressed during Mr. Franz-Under’s presentation at the September PCTAC meeting.	27:35
	Without opposition, the December 8 <sup>th</sup> meeting was cancelled and the next meeting confirmed for January 26, 2021 at Noon via WEBEX.	
<b>7. December 8, 2020 WebEx – Lucretia Free, PCTAC Chair</b>	Agenda Items—Request topic submittal by January 8, 2021 to <a href="mailto:Annabelle.Valenzuela@pima.gov">Annabelle.Valenzuela@pima.gov</a> .	28:34
<b>8. Call to the Audience – Lucretia Free, PCTAC Chair</b>	Before Call to the Public, Chair Free informed that Mr. Lueck resigned from the committee. Mr. Lueck was acknowledged for not only his commitment to the community, but for his knowledge, wisdom, discernment, positive energy and attention to detail. Chair Free added that Mr. Lueck would be sorely missed and reluctantly accepted his resignation.	29:24
	No Call to the Public cards were received. Chair opened the meeting to the general public for comment and none were presented.	30:01
<b>9. Adjournment – Lucretia Free, PCTAC Chair</b>	Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Bernal with a second by Mr. Weaver. Without opposition, meeting was adjourned at 12:31 PM.	30:51