



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

**Abrams Public Health Center
3950 S. Country Club Road Tucson, AZ. 85714
Tuesday, January 28, 2020
12:00 PM**

Members Present: Albert Letzkus, Yolanda Weinberger, Dan Eckstrom Eric Ponce, Kendall Elmer, John Wallace, Don Weaver, Lucretia Free, Edwin Verburg, John Bernal and Tom McGovern

Members Absent: Dan Castro, Curtis Lueck

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), John Olivas (PCDOT), Jessica De La Ossa (PCDOT), La Tasha Parker (PCDOT), Priscilla Molina (PCDOT), Vanessa Schmidt (PCDOT)

1. **Pledge of Allegiance** - *Lucretia Free, PCTAC Chair*, (Part 1 - 00:08)
2. **Call to Order - Roll Call** - *Chair Free*, (Part 1 - 00:34)
Chair Free calls the meeting to order at 12:00 P.M. Ms. Parker takes roll call and a quorum is present.
3. **Action: Approval of Meeting Summary for December 3, 2019** - *Chair Free, PCTAC* (Part 1 - 01:47)
Dan Eckstrom makes a motion to approve the meeting minutes and Mr. Letzkus seconds. Motion passes unanimously.
4. **Subcommittee Update** - *John Bernal, PCTAC Chair*, (Part 1 - 02:00)
The subcommittee met on January 17th, the primary topic was pavement preservation carry over savings. Department of Transportation (DOT) staff is working to ensure any funds available for advancing the program are put to use expeditiously. The roadway prioritization is moving forward and scenarios will be developed by the end of February. The subcommittee has tentatively scheduled a meeting if necessary in March prior to the full committee.
5. **Fiscal Year 2019/2020 Pavement Program** (Part 1 - 03:40)
 - a. **Staff Plan: Unallocated Funds from Paving Program** - *Ana Olivares, PCDOT Director*
 - b. **Thinlay Asphalt Specification Update**
 - c. **Program Update** - *John Olivas, PCDOT Staff*

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The Department of Transportation has approximately \$36M to spend this fiscal year on collector/arterial and local roads. The FY 19/20 budget is \$17.5 million for treatments on local roads and this money has all been allocated. The budget also allocated \$19.6 million for treatments on arterials/collectors of which the department has allocated/spent only \$15.59 million leaving a remainder of \$4.01 million. The remaining balance must be spent on repairing arterials/collectors before the end of the fiscal year. Staff recommended the remaining monies go towards extending the limits of arterials/collectors already chosen for the FY 19/20 program. Ms. Olivares presented a list of the arterial/collector roadway recommendations. Approximately twelve more miles of arterial/collector roadways can be repaired with the \$4 million of the remaining balance. At the end of this fiscal year, DOT will have spent \$36 million on repairing approximately 166 miles of both local and arterial/collector roadways.

Next year the department plans to spend 66% of funding on local roads and 34% arterial/collectors. An additional \$3M will be added to local road repair for next year's program, which is remaining funds from FY 17/18 Local Road Property Tax. This will bring the allocation of funding to local roads in FY 20/21 to almost 70%.

The Asphaltic Concrete (AC) Thinlay was finalized in December 2019. AC Thinlay is not a consideration for failed roadways. [This specification](#) will be used on roads that meet the following conditions:

- a. PCI between a 41 - 69
- b. Limited structural fatigue
- c. Non-structural rutting up to 1/2" in depth
- d. Cracks width less than 1/4" in width
- e. Raveled or rough asphalt surface

Mr. McGovern suggested in next year's budget omit a portion of the failed roads replace them with poor road and use the thin lift overlay.

MOTION by *John Bernal PCTAC Member* (Part 2 - 37:30)

Mr. Bernal made a motion that the PCTAC committee adopt the recommendations by the Department of Transportation for Staffs Plan: Unallocated Funds from Paving Program and Mr. Weaver seconds. Motion Passes - 1: Opposed

Mr. Olivas gave an update on the FY 2019/2020 Pavement Program. The Estrella Subdivision curb ramps are completed and the mill and fill process has begun. Green Valley Fairway No. 3 the curb ramps are being installed and in April the paving is expected to be completed. North Manor Subdivision is in the design phase. The remaining local roads are in design process and expected to be completed by the end of fiscal year. Mr. Olivas displayed pictures of road work in progress. Approximately 53.7 miles of arterial, collectors and regional priority road repairs Job Order Contract (JOC) packages have been awarded. The Master Agreements for surface treatments (cracksealing, micro and chip sealing) were approved and should be completed by the end of the fiscal year.

With the additional 10M in additional funding, the JOC package for curb ramp construction was awarded and scheduled to begin in February. Bids for the remaining local roadways will be opened January 21st and 22nd.

6. **Fiscal Year 2020/2021 Roadway Prioritization** - *Rich Franz-Under, PCDOT (Part 2 - 03:51)*

Mr. Franz-Under referred to the Fiscal Year 2021 (FY21) road list schedule. Uploading the dataset to StreetSaver will take place in late January to mid-February. Scenarios will only be run for the arterial/collector program. For the local program, a list will be exported from best to worse.

Mr. Franz-Under compared the dataset between StreetSaver and LiDAR (Light Detection and Ranging). In computing roadway surface area, LiDAR detected 4,494,754 more square feet than StreetSaver, which amounted to a 1.4% increase. This indicates DOT is within budget for the 10-Year Roadway Repair Program. More accurate planning numbers and cost projections will be produced by this model in the future.

Chair Free asked what was included in the “Other” category since the area was so large. Mr. Franz-Under stated that this category includes urban high volume roads such as Ina Road and Thornydale Road and explained this is a separate category because some surface treatments are not appropriate. Mr. Letzkus inquired about a citizen or committee orientated document explaining the FY 21 program in simple terms i.e., StreetSaver, PCI, citizen input, etc. Mr. Franz-Under cited the webpage has been drafted and sent to the Pima County Communication Office for enhancement.

7. **RTAnext Update** - *Kathryn Skinner, PCDOT Deputy Director (Part 2 - 12:20)*

Regional Transportation Authority (RTA) and Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) have approved their guiding principles and framework on January 13th. The only approved goal is to add functionality to key corridors. A second action is that RTAnext will use the same sub-element structure consisting of safety, environmental and economic vitality and transit. A formal call for projects to all jurisdictions must be submitted by June 30th.

Pima County Integrated Infrastructure Plan is a 10 year plan. This plan includes Transportation, maintenance needs and a review of impact fees ordinance projects. Pima Association of Governments (PAG) uses a mapping system and the department will utilize it for screening based on safety, congestion and other environmental concerns.

Three categories of projects:

1. Pavement Preservation
 - a. Regional arterial and collector roadways
2. Livable Streets
 - a. Mobility solution for everyone with context sensitivity
3. Technology
 - a. Safer and cost effective transportation solutions.

Ms. Skinner explained the various ways Pima County will engage the public to ensure constituents needs and concerns are recognized in the development of the plan.

Plan for Engagement

1. Special Notice “ Call to the Public” session during regular PCTAC meetings
 - a. February - April
2. Public Notification
 - b. Facebook Post
 - c. Press Releases

A website will be launched February 1st. This is a work in progress, updates will be made monthly, and a link to all documents can be found on the website.

8. Call to the Audience - Chair Free, (Part 2 - 23:50)

- a. Martha Michaels - Sabino Town & Country Estates – Has been advocating having her neighborhood roads repaired for the past 8 years. The roads are deteriorating at an alarming rate.
- b. Linda Leedberg - Sabino Town & Country Estates - 25-year resident trying to live a happy life, but the roads are unlivable and mobility is restricted.
- c. Ted Stanley - Ruby Star Airpark, McGee Ranch Rd – Inquired what resources are available for the public to properly interact with the committee. Also asked the committee to be mindful of using acronyms.
- d. Lonna Davis - Ruby Star Airpark, McGee Ranch Rd - The road has ruined her tires. Drivers are literally swerving to avoid potholes. Only an inch of chipseal is left on the road.
- e. David Lesser - Sabino Cluster (HOA) - Coronado Rd is used to leave the community and the road is failed. He is a long distance bicyclist and refuses to ride in his neighborhood because it is too dangerous on the roads.
- f. Mike Barren - Sabino Vista Knolls - 30-year resident and the roads are affecting quality of life and property tax. Potholes are bigger than a manhole cover and cars swivel to avoid them. Please do not use community involvement as a priority.
- g. Michael Magras - Ruby Star Airpark - McGee Ranch Rd is the only access road in the community. The road is deemed failed and is a two-lane road with a 45 mile per hour speed limit. It is a safety hazard to the residents..
- h. Gee Gee Larrington - Oracle Heights – Has asked for 10 years for road repair. Also asked when road repair be scheduled for her area.
- 9 Dale Schrage - AltaVista (HOA) Craycroft Rd - Leave community activism out of road repair and leave it up to the technology.

9. Next Meeting February 25, 2020, Abrams Public Health Center - Lucretia Free, PCTAC Chair (Part 3 - 25:47)

- a. **Agenda Items** - Please Submit by February 7, 2019 to Annabelle.Valenzuela@pima.gov
- b. **Location** - Abrams Public Health Center, 3950 S. County Club
Meeting begins at noon

10. Adjournment - Lucretia Free, PCTAC Chair, (Part 3 - 26:04)

Motion: John Bernal made a motion to adjourn the committee meeting. Dan Eckstrom seconds the motion.

Meeting Adjourned.