PIMA COUNTY TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE
(PCTAC)

Abrams Public Health Center, 3950 S. Country Club Road
Tuesday, November 28, 2017
Noon


Members Absent: N/A

Others Present: Carmine DeBonis (Deputy County Administrator-Public Works), Ana Olivares (PCDOT), Jim Cunningham (PCDOT), David Cummings (PCDOT), Robert Lane (PCDOT), Annabelle Valenzuela (PCDOT), Shara Canez (PCDOT), Vanessa Schmidt (PCDOT)

1. Call to Order - Roll Call
Lucretia Free, Chair of PCTAC, calls the meeting to order at 12:02 p.m. Shara Canez takes roll call and a quorum is present.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

General Items

3. Approval of Meeting Summary for November 7, 2017 Meeting
Chair Free asks if anyone would like to edit/change minutes and no one answers. John Bernal makes a motion to approve minutes, Curtis Lueck seconds. Motion passes unanimously.

4. Sales Tax Committee Update
Carmine DeBonis provides an update on the Sales Tax Committee. This committee last met November 13, 2017 and discussed general assumptions: Pima County roads being in poor/failed condition; the need to find a funding alternative for road repair; the need for property tax reduction; etc. The purpose of the committee is to answer these three questions:

1) Should Pima County enact a sales tax?
2) Should the proceeds from a sales tax go to road repair? Property tax reduction? A combination of the two?
3) Should there be a time limit on this sales tax?

The Sales Tax Committee members approved a committee schedule that includes public outreach sessions. The next meeting is scheduled for December 7, 2017. Public outreach sessions will be held on the following dates: December 14th, January 9th, January 10th, January 17th and January 23rd. Member Curtis Lueck provided an update on the activities of the PCTAC. There was also a
presentation made on the alternatives for using half-cent sales tax revenue that involved all proceeds going towards road repair for the first three years, then a combination of road repair and property tax reduction until the end of a 15-year-period where all of the proceeds would go towards property tax reduction. Discussion also includes state legislature and the possibility of passing a sales tax with a simple majority Board of Supervisors vote versus a unanimous BOS vote. Supervisor Christy presented his “Just Fix the Roads” road repair plan with members of the Regional Transportation Authority (RTA). Those who represented the RTA expressed a willingness and ability to administer the plan if it was approved.

5. Call to the Audience
Chair Free says there will be two “Call to the Audience” items on today’s agenda.

   a. Jean Johnson expresses concern about Moondance Patio Homes road conditions.
   b. Don Weaver asks PCTAC to consider revisions of staff recommendations for District 4.
   c. Mia Tittle expresses concern about Moondance Patio Homes road conditions. She asks committee to consider revisions to staff recommendations.
   d. Martha Michaels expresses concern about Sabino Town and Country Estates road conditions.

Road Repair Preservation

6. Road Prioritization Options in Unincorporated Pima County
Note: Rob Lane presents agenda item 6b before 6a.

   a. Update on Feedback Log Request
   Week #8
   Total number of requests: 672
   Total number of miles represented: 154
   Estimate of cost to address the items: $30 million

   For this week, constituents requested repairs on collectors and arterials in addition to local roadway. Collectors and arterials are not being considered under the PCTAC road repair plan.

   b. Update on Road Repair Modified Plan

   **See “Staff Recommended Revision Presentation” as well as “Committee Revised Project Presentation” under the “Documents” tab**
7. PCTAC Discussion/Action – Unincorporated Pima County Pavement Preservation Plan

Bob Gugino makes a motion to adopt the staff recommendations with Rob Lane’s revisions in regards to year-1 and year-2 funding. Dan Eckstrom seconds. Members discuss the methodologies Districts 2, 3 and 5 used to receive public feedback about staff recommendations. District 3 representatives reached out to individual HOAs as opposed to using the public meeting forum. District 5 representatives believe that the staff recommended list is the most objective way to allocate funds. District 1 representatives acknowledge that the modified plan addresses fewer miles of road but express that the intent behind the modifications they submitted were to assuage some of the suffering of the communities that have not had road repair in decades. Members discuss the risk of waiting to repair “poor” roads and the likelihood of them moving into the “failed” categorization. Districts 1 and 4 followed a process where representatives held community forums/town halls and made modifications to respond to their concerns. District 4 representatives also want to remind everyone that the committee unanimously approved making modifications to staff recommendations at a previous meeting. Members talk about staff methodology in using the sub-committee’s criteria to create recommendations and how, as a community, we are in an underfunded road repair crisis.

Sergio Arellano makes a substitute motion to approve the committee modified staff recommended list. Chris DeSimone seconds. Curtis Lueck proposes an amendment to Sergio’s substitute motion: to approve year-1 funding for unincorporated roadway prioritization and tentatively approve year-2 funding. Having this flexibility within year-2 plans allows the committee to take future improvement districts or other funding sources into consideration. Sergio Arellano agrees with the amendment. Staff clarifies that, on August 14, 2017, the committee unanimously approved to act on year-1 and year-2. Whatever the committee approves today will go before the Board of Supervisors (BOS) for final approval on December 12, 2017. If year-2 is not a part of the final recommendation, the committee will not be presenting a full package, which will affect solicitation for bidding options in the future. The purpose of including year-2 in the package was to ensure that we get the most favorable financing rates for that program of road repair. The committee has the option to change directions, if so desired, but there is a risk of delaying the timeline of this project, which is tentatively scheduled to begin spring 2018. Furthermore, presenting an incomplete package to the BOS means that the committee would have to present at a future BOS meeting with the remaining information. In reference to Curtis Lueck’s amendment, staff clarifies that the committee has previously discussed improvement districts and that members had agreed to create a road prioritization list without taking cost-share prospects into consideration. Also, whatever final recommendation the BOS approves will not inhibit the formation and execution of an improvement district in the future.

Sergio Arellano clarifies his substitute motion. He moves to accept District 1 and District 4 modifications and to include Districts 2, 3 and 5 staff recommendations for road repair with the option to modify year-2 (for incorporated and unincorporated municipalities) as needed in the future. Chris DeSimone seconds. If the committee approves this motion, staff asks for a modified timeline
regarding when they should present to the BOS because there will not be a sufficient amount of time to submit the necessary paperwork for the upcoming December 12, 2017 meeting. Members and staff discuss how year-2 funding has not been approved by the BOS but that the committee had agreed to include both year-1 and year-2 on the August 14, 2017 PCTAC meeting.

Roll call vote on the substitute motion: To accept District 1 and District 4 modifications and to include Districts 2, 3 and 5 staff recommendations for road repair with the option to modify year-2 (for incorporated and unincorporated municipalities) as needed in the future.

Yes
Chris DeSimone
Reggie Drout
Sergio Arellano
Lucretia Free
Tom McGovern
Curtis Lueck

No
Dan Eckstrom
Eric Ponce
Rick Price
Amber Smith
Dan Castro
Bob Gugino
John Bernal

The substitute motion does not pass 6-7.

Roll call vote on the original motion: To adopt the staff recommendations for road prioritization with Rob Lane’s revisions in regards to year-1 and year-2 funding.

Yes
Dan Eckstrom
Eric Ponce
Rick Price
Amber Smith
Dan Castro
Bob Gugino
John Bernal
No
Chris DeSimone
Reggie Drout
Sergio Arellano
Lucretia Free
Tom McGovern
Curtis Lueck

The original motion passes 7-6.

8. Meeting Schedule/Next Meeting Agenda
Next meeting is scheduled for January 23, 2017 at noon at the same location as before.

9. Call to the Audience
   a. Don Weaver expresses dissatisfaction with the committee’s approval of the original motion.
   b. Linda LaRose expresses dissatisfaction with the committee’s approval of the original motion.
   c. Mia Tittle expresses dissatisfaction with the committee’s approval of the original motion.
   d. Martha Michaels expresses dissatisfaction with the committee’s approval of the original motion.
   e. Jean Johnson expresses dissatisfaction with the committee’s approval of the original motion.

10. Adjournment
    Curtis Lueck makes a motion to adjourn. Eric Ponce seconds. Meeting adjourns at 1:45 p.m.