

**Pima County Bond Advisory Committee  
Meeting**

**Friday, March 3, 2017  
8:00 A.M.**

**Arizona River Park Inn  
777 W. Cushing Street  
Tucson, Arizona**

**SUMMARY OF MEETING**

**Committee Members Present**

Tom Dunn, Chair  
Carolyn Campbell, ViceChair (arrived 8:03)  
Joe Boogaart  
Ed Buster  
Gary Davidson  
Brian Flagg  
Joyce Garland  
Rene Gastelum  
Curt Lueck  
David Lyons (arrived 8:09 am)  
Michael Lund  
Wade McLean  
Joyce Powers  
Patty Richardson  
Ted Schmidt  
Chris Sheafe  
James Ward  
Tom Warne (arrived 8:09 am)  
Greg Wexler

**Committee Members Absent**

Kelly Gomez  
Ted Prezelski  
Dan Sullivan  
John Sundt

**Staff that Addressed the Committee**

Pima County:  
Chuck Huckelberry, County Administrator  
Jan Leshar, Deputy County Administrator  
Rick Ellis, Deputy Transportation Director  
Meridith Litton, Finance Division Manager  
Karen Friar, Deputy County Attorney  
Nicole Fyffe, Assist. to County Administrator

City of Tucson:  
Robin Raine, Deputy Transportation Director

Town of Oro Valley  
Kristy Diaz-Trahan, Parks Director

**Elected Officials Present**

Pima County Supervisor Sharon Bronson

**MOTIONS**

**MOTION: Gary Davidson moved, seconded by Patty Richardson, to approve the September 9, 2016 meeting summary. Motion approved 16-0.**

**MOTION: James Ward moved, seconded by Ed Buster, to accept the Semi-Annual Bond Program Update. Motion approved 19-0.**

**MOTION: Vice-Chair Campbell moved, seconded by Joe Boogaart, to accept the City of Tucson's report. Motion approved 19-0.**

**MOTION: Chris Sheafe moved, seconded by Ed Buster, to approve the recommended amendments to the 1997 general obligation and HURF bond implementation plan ordinances, and the 2004 general obligation bond implementation plan ordinance. Motion approved 19-0.**

### **MEETING SUMMARY**

1. Welcome

The meeting began at 8:00 a.m. with a quorum. Chairman Dunn announced three new members: Joyce Garland (City of Tucson), Joyce Powers (Town of Oro Valley), Ted Schmidt (Pima County Supervisor Bronson),

2. Approval of the September 9, 2016 Meeting Summary

**MOTION: Gary Davidson moved, seconded by Patty Richardson, to approve the September 9, 2016 meeting summary. Motion approved 16-0.**

3. Bond Committee Basics

A. Truth in Bonding Code

Nicole Fyffe summarized this portion of the Pima County Code, which was originally adopted by the Board of Supervisors prior to the May 1997 bond election.

B. Bond Website: [www.pima.gov/bonds](http://www.pima.gov/bonds)

Nicole Fyffe referenced the types of information available on the County's bond website, including an interactive map of over 700 completed bond projects, the bond implementation plan ordinance and each amendment.

C. Arizona Open Meeting Law

Karen Friar, Deputy County Attorney, briefed the committee on Arizona's Open Meeting Law and how it applied to this committee and its members. Mr. Huckelberry emphasized that committee members should be aware that private emails and other forms of communications on committee members' private electronic devices related to the committee business are considered public records, and are subject to searches and seizures if formal complaints are filed concerning open meeting law violations.

D. Arizona Conflict of Interest Law

Karen Friar will provide information on this issue to be distributed to the committee after the meeting.

4. Semi-Annual Bond Program Update for 1997, 2004 and 2014 Bond Programs

Per the County's Truth in Bonding Code, materials were provided to the Committee regarding the status of the 1997, 2004 and 2014 bond programs. This included a written report from the City of Tucson. These materials are also available on the County's website.

Meridith Litton, Financial Management Division Manager, reported on the new format of the report and explained the status of the remaining neighborhood reinvestment and affordable housing projects.

Jan Leshner, Deputy County Administrator, provided an update on the status of the Pima Animal Care Center bond project. The project is well into construction, with an estimated completion date for Phase 1 of December 26, 2017. Phase 1 is the bulk of the project.

**MOTION: James Ward moved, seconded by Ed Buster, to accept the Semi-Annual Bond Program Update. Motion approved 19-0.**

Robin Raine, Deputy Transportation Director for the City of Tucson, provided an update on the remaining transportation projects managed by the City that include County-HURF bond funds. Brian Flagg asked about the status of the 22<sup>nd</sup> Street project. Ms. Raine responded that the Kino overpass is complete, design of the project east of the overpass is about 90% complete, and design has not yet begun on the project west of the overpass to I-10. Mr. Flagg asked that residential opposition to the portion of the project from I-10 to Park, be communicated to the Mayor.

**MOTION: Vice-Chair Campbell moved, seconded by Joe Boogaart, to accept the City of Tucson's report. Motion approved 19-0.**

5. Amendments to the 1997 and 2004 General Obligation Bond Ordinances, and 1997 HURF Ordinance

Per the County's Truth in Bonding Code, the Committee received a written staff report describing when bond ordinance amendments are necessary, the public review process associated with amending the ordinances, and details concerning the 10 projects that would be impacted by this round of bond ordinance amendments. Ms. Fyffe summarized these at the meeting.

In response to a question from David Lyons, Ms. Fyffe responded that the bonds sold in February 2017 at an interest rate of 2.04 percent, the 2016 sale was at 1.63 percent and historically, dating back to the 1997 sale, interest rates on County bonds have not exceeded 4 percent.

In response to a question from Gary Davidson, Ms. Fyffe clarified that no additional bond funds were being allocated to the Broadway roadway project.

In response to a question from Joe Boogaart, Vice-Chair Campbell explained that the park and trail improvements in Marana near the El Rio Preserve are a work in progress and the Town is trying to identify additional resources to fund improvements in that area.

In response to a question from Gary Davidson, Ms. Fyffe confirmed that the Catalina Community Park project was originally to include more active ball field type improvements, but the community preferred a lower impact natural resource park with hiking trails, that ultimately cost significantly less. Oro Valley Parks Director Kristy Diaz-Trahan replied that, yes, there has been a greater impact on Oro Valley ball field use, as a result.

In response to a question from Wade McLean, Tucson Deputy Transportation Director Robin Raine responded that actual construction of the Broadway project is in fact scheduled to break ground beginning in 2019, with utility relocations expected for 2018.

**MOTION: Chris Sheafe moved, seconded by Ed Buster, to approve the recommended amendments to the 1997 general obligation and HURF bond implementation plan ordinances, and the 2004 general obligation bond implementation plan ordinance. Motion approved 19-0.**

6. Next meeting

To be scheduled for September 2017.

7. Call to the Audience

No one spoke at this time.

8. Meeting Adjourned

Meeting adjourned at 9:03 a.m.