



## Transportation Advisory Committee Minutes

February 13, 2014 from 6:30–8:30 p.m.  
Municipal Services Building – San Tan Conference Room

### Committee Members:

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| Chair Chris Clark             | Present |
| Vice Chair David Bond         | Present |
| Robin Benning, Council Member | Absent  |
| Steve Conklin                 | Present |
| Nichelle Williams             | Present |
| Philomena Van Etten           | Present |
| Karen Fabritiis               | Present |
| Todd Broadhead                | Present |
| Kenn Burnell (non-voting)     | Absent  |

### Public:

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| Alec More, Valley Metro           | Present |
| Alicia Becker, Valley Metro       | Present |
| Cavan Noone, Valley Metro         | Present |
| Kevin Roberts, Dibble Engineering | Present |

### Town Staff Members:

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| Troy White, Public Works Division Manager  | Present |
| Mohamed Youssef, Traffic Engineer          | Present |
| Debbie Gomez, Sr. Management Assistant     | Present |
| Alisha Noble, Sr. Administrative Assistant | Present |

1. **Call to Order:** Chair Chris Clark called the meeting to order at 6:32pm
2. **Introductions:** Round Table Introductions were conducted
3. **Public Comment:** None.
4. **Items for Discussion and Possible Action:**

**A: Consideration and Possible Approval of November 14, 2013 Minutes** Chair Chris Clark

**Motion to approve the November 14, 2013 minutes, as presented:**

**1<sup>st</sup>:** Philomena Van Etten

**2<sup>nd</sup>:** Steve Conklin

**VOTE: Unanimous**

**B: Update and Discussion on Queen Creek Local Transit Feasibility Study**

Alec More of Valley Metro gave a brief presentation of the results of the recent community travel survey that yielded the following results.

- There were 260 total survey responses from Queen Creek Residents
- Residents of Queen Creek have a 2:1 average that favors Downtown Phoenix as the major destination for work. Second favoring Mesa.
- Top 5 Likely Destinations for Queen Creek residents where Phoenix-Mesa Gateway Airport (72.9%), Superstition Springs Mall (66.8%), Other Destinations around the Valley (64.5%), Work outside Queen Creek (62.6%), and Local Shopping Centers (57.3%).
- It was identified that the majority of Employment in Queen Creek is focused in northern and western areas.
- Respondents desire expedient, point-to-point service to downtown Phoenix
- Respondents indicated a stronger desire for connections to greater transit networks and access to Valley destinations via transit
- Light/Commuter Rail was the most preferred mode of transit transportation (78%)
- Commuter rail and park-in-ride facilities would offer present and future Queen Creek residents a valuable service

**Action:** None.

**C: Discussion and Possible action on Ellsworth Road from Rittenhouse to Queen Creek Road**

Troy White, Public Works Division Manager, presented with Kevin Roberts from Dibble Engineering two possible access right of way design concepts for Ellsworth Road.

- **Design Concept #1:** Single Lane in each direction from Ellsworth Loop Rd to Rittenhouse Road. Barnes Parkway controlled by 4 way stop. North of Barnes Parkway there is a dedicated right turn lane purposed into Bridges Preschool. A Cul-de-sac was identified in front of the San Tan Historical Society.
- **Design Concept #2:** Single Lane in each direction from Ellsworth Loop Rd to Rittenhouse Road. Barnes Parkway controlled by a Round-a-bout. North of Barnes Parkway there is a dedicated right turn lane to access Old Ellsworth Road. A Cul-de-sac was identified in front of the San Tan Historical Society.
- The Committee also wanted to maintain on street parking in this area

Discussion centered on the possible negative impacts of each design concept. Including, decreasing traffic on Barnes Parkway.

**Action:** The Committee moved forward with a preference on Design concept #1

5. **Request for future agenda items**

- Update from the Traffic Engineer on the Traffic Signal located on Maya and Ellsworth Loop Road intersection
- Update on left turn Traffic Signal from Ellsworth Road and Pecos Road via Mesa
- Update on SR24, progress update and what Ellsworth will look like via Mesa
- Update on Construction on Power road between Pecos and Ray Road Via Mesa
- Update on Capital Improvement Program (CIP)

6. **Announcements:** None

7. **Adjournment:** Chris Clark Called the meeting to adjourn at 8:30pm

**Motion to adjourn as presented:**

**1<sup>st</sup>:** Nichelle Williams

**2<sup>nd</sup>:** David Bond

**VOTE: Unanimous**

PREPARED BY:

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Alisha Noble, Sr. Administrative Assistant

PASSED AND APPROVED ON: March 13, 2014

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**Chair Chris Clark, Transportation Advisory Committee Chairman**