



Transportation Advisory Committee Minutes

November 8, 2018 6:30–8:30 p.m.

Municipal Services Building – San Tan Conference Room

Committee Members:

Emilena Turley, Vice Mayor	Present
Jeff Brown, Council member	Present
Spencer Hale, Chair	Present
Bob Estler, Vice Chair	Absent
Susan Denton	Present
Bob Adelfson	Present
Susan Scott	Present
Nancie Naylor	Present
Jane Litchfield	Absent
Michael Trujillo	Absent

Public: None

Jesse Roth	Present
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Town Staff Members:

Troy White, Public Works Director	Present
Mohamed Youssef, Public Works Deputy Director	Present
Hasina Luna, Traffic Engineer	Present
Laura Catanese, Sr. Administrative Assistant	Present

Chair Todd Broadhead resigned in September 2018. Agenda sequence is out of order for new chair election.

4. Items for Discussion and Possible Action:

B. Consideration and possible approval of new Committee Chair

Motion to elect Spencer Hale as new committee chair – Susan Scott

1st: Susan Scott

2nd: Bob Adelfson

All: Unanimous

1. **Call to Order:** Chair, Spencer Hale called the meeting to order at 6:34 pm

2. **Introductions:** Round table Introductions were conducted

3. **Public Comment:** None

4. Items for Discussion and Possible Action:

A. Consideration and possible approval of the August 9, 2018 minutes

Motion to approve the August 9, 2018 minutes as presented:

1st: Bob Adelfson

2nd: Susan Denton

All: Unanimous

C. CIP project updates

Troy White, Public Works Director, gave a brief presentation on the Queen Creek Capital Improvement Projects (CIP) in construction and projects in the design phase. Updates included the following projects in construction:

Riggs Road – Power Road to Hawes Road Estimated completion date: Jan 2019	85% Complete
Ellsworth Road and Queen Creek Road Intersection – Phase 2 Estimated completion date: Mar 2019	40% Complete
Riggs Road Phase 2 – Crismon Road to Meridian Road Estimated completion date: June 2019	35% Complete

D. Flashing yellow light presentation

Hasina Luna, Traffic Engineer, gave a brief presentation on the following benefits of using a flashing yellow left turn arrow to help alleviate traffic congestion.

- Reduces traffic delays
- Provides flexible traffic management

The Town currently has 29 signals that don't have the flashing yellow left turn arrow option. Nine projects are in construction that will include this option. The signal head at Walnut & Ellsworth roads will be the first traffic signal to have this option.

QUESTIONS

Can existing signals be retrofitted with a flashing yellow left turn arrow?

No, this will be an extra cost to retrofit old signals.

Would there be signage alerting motorists of the flashing yellow left turn arrow?

This is an option. The Town would install a sign to inform drivers of the new flashing yellow left turn arrows. The Town will employ various public outreach methods to inform residents of the traffic change.

Who has the authority to approve the signal timing sequence?

Multiple engineers review the timing sequence once construction is complete and before the traffic light is initialized.

When will the first flashing yellow left turn arrow head be operational?

The signal head at Walnut Road/Ellsworth Road will be the Town's first traffic signal to include the flashing yellow left turn arrow option. Policy will need to be written prior to its operation. No specific date has been set for signal turn on.

E. Discussion on Town transportation challenges

Mohamed Youssef, Public Works Deputy Director, gave a brief presentation on the challenges that increased population growth bring to Queen Creek. Town Council has approved \$195 million to build new roadways throughout Queen Creek to meet future growth needs. The Town has secured \$50 million from regional partners to help fund new transportation systems in Queen Creek.

F. Discussion on Agritainment District roadway statics

Troy White, Public Works Director, initiated discussion for the Towns approved Agritainment District and the contract approved by council to initiate design of the arterial roadways in the District. The design will include right-of-way features including lighting, signage, and landscaping. The design consultant will develop 3 concepts and seek input from the Committee at an upcoming meeting.

QUESTIONS

Are there demographic stats for people that come to Agritainment districts?

Yes, staff can obtain this information from Economic Development for the committee to review.

Will Sossaman Farms be included in the Agritainment District?

No, the Sossaman venture (Heritage Corner) is not included in the South Specific Area map district.

5. Announcements:

- The next meeting will be Thursday, February 28, 2019 and will be part of the Public Open House for the transportation program. The open house will be open to town-wide public to view upcoming road projects. Committee members will help greet residents and help answer basic project questions. This will be posted as an official TAC meeting.
- A meeting may be necessary in January regarding the Agritainment District concepts. This is TBD.

6. Adjournment: Chair, Spencer Hale called the meeting to adjourn at 8:08 pm

Motion to adjourn as presented:

1st: Spencer Hall

2nd: Susan Scott

VOTE: Unanimous

PREPARED BY:

Laura Catanese, Sr. Administrative Assistant

PASSED AND APPROVED ON:



Chair Spencer Hale, Transportation Advisory Committee Chairman