



Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.02, notice is hereby given to the members of the Tucson Pima County Bicycle Advisory Committee (TPCBAC) and to the general public, that the TPCBAC held the following meeting, which was open to the public:

The TPCBAC, conducted a public meeting on **Wednesday, February 15, 2023**. A recording of the meeting may be accessed here: [Link](#)

## Approved Meeting Minutes

### **1. Roll Call, Call to Order, and Approval of Minutes from Last Meeting:**

Voice roll call was taken, with 13 members of the committee in attendance (quorum met, please see the list at the end of this document). Joseph Mais (Chair) called the meeting to order at 6:03 pm.

**Motion:** A motion to approve the January 2023 minutes was made by Joseph Mais, seconded by Sophia Gonzalez, and passed by voice vote, 12 yes, 0 no, 1 member not present at the January meeting abstaining.

### **2. Call to the Public.**

No comments from the public.

### **3. Updates from Law Enforcement.**

No update from law enforcement.

### **4. 5th & 6th Street Construction.**

Andy Bemis, joined by Felipe Ladron de Guevara, presented to the committee on the construction plans for 5th and 6th Street, and the traffic analysis for a road diet there. Committee members shared a number of questions and concerns with presenters related to the analysis as well as the plan in its current form.

Sophia Gonzalez and Mike Hendrix shared some of the material they had prepared and provided to our presenters in advance of the meeting that focussed on the concerns of the committee regarding the current direction that this project is headed in and the scope of the report.

Many members expressed concern that the report focussed primarily on the movement of automobile traffic, at the cost of other modalities, especially pedestrians and bicycle traffic.

## **5. Website Changes.**

Ben Elias updated the committee on the current status of the form that the public can access and fill out from the BAC website. This form is the implementation of a motion adopted by the committee in the January 2023 meeting.

Committee members then discussed possible additional ways of doing outreach and engagement. Members agreed to agendaize this item for discussion at the March meeting.

## **6. BAC Annual Report.**

Committee members discussed the draft of the annual report and suggested minimal changes.

Randy Ford recommended that the names of the current members of the committee be listed in the report.

David Andrews recommended that the language regarding “promoting bicycle awareness and safety” from the 2022 accomplishments be added to the 2023 goals and to the mission and purpose of the committee.

The changes were made to the document and the amended document was adopted by the committee.

**MOTION: A motion to adopt the annual report was made by Sophia Gonzalez, seconded by Daphne Hope, and adopted by voice vote, 13 yes, 0 no.**

## **7. Announcements, Updates, and Questions for Related Entities.**

Daphne Hope shared that GABA has another Bike Swap event planned in Armory Park on April 2.

Sophia Gonzalez, the BAC appointee to the Complete Streets Coordinating Council, reported on the work of the council, and the meeting with officials regarding the 5th and 6th Street road construction.

Javier Montenegro gave a brief UA update. The University had some requests regarding the impact of the 5th and 6th Street study and the movement of stadium traffic.

## **6. Announcements, Updates, and Questions for Staff.**

Ben Elias shared the City of Tucson’s Capital Projects Dashboard and how it works that can be an important tool for the committee and the public on upcoming projects and planning.

Ben also shared some of the plans related to Prop. 411 and the Tucson Delivers website in the tab called “Your City, Your Safety”. That website breaks down the plan for projects coming over the next several years.

Ben shared an article on the 22nd street bridge design project. Sophia Gonzalez and Mike Hendrix expressed some concerns about this project and the timeline for the committee to get involved. The project is technically under construction, but we can have a presentation about 22nd Street, which we could get on the agenda next month.

Jonathan Crowe shared the Pima County web page on the 10-year program of road repairs for the county, and went into some detail on projects under construction and heading into construction. He also spoke about the Southwest Mobility Study to address issues in this high-growth area.

Sophia Gonzalez provided feedback from last month's comments regarding Mission Road and the need for bicycle safety.

Joey Iuliano asked about construction work on Mt. Lemmon. There is some maintenance work happening, but Jonathan will need to get back on any projects that may be trickier to know because of the federal involvement on that road.

We may have a new Oro Valley member joining the committee soon.

Ben Elias mentioned that we have a new Ward 2 appointee.

Bob Smith expressed some concerns about Quail Crossing in Sahuarita. This item was agendaized for the March meeting.

## 7. Adjournment.

The Chair adjourned the February 15, 2023 TPCBAC meeting at 8:14 pm.

### Attendance:

Imelda Cortez, Mayor  
Sophia Gonzalez, Ward 1  
Paul Tilley, Ward 3  
Joey Iuliano, Ward 4  
Mike Hendrix, Ward 6  
Courtnee DeBoer, Pima County (absent)  
Randy Ford, Pima County  
Kevin Greene, Pima County (absent)  
Daphne Hope, Pima County  
Doug Horn, Pima County  
Joseph Mais, Pima County  
Howard Maubach, Pima County (absent)  
Eric Post, Pima County (absent)  
Ingmar Riedel-Kruse, Pima County  
Bob Smith, Sahuarita  
David Andrews, Marana  
Javier Montenegro, UA

Benjamin Elias, COT/TDOT  
Jonathan Crowe, PCDOT  
Brian Varney, Marana (absent)  
David Mitchell, PAG (absent)  
Sgt. Brandon Williams, TPD (absent)

### Audience:

Ryan Fagan  
Dora Maldonado  
Felipe Ladron de Guevara  
Andy Bemis  
Evren Sonmez