



Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.02, notice is hereby given to the members of the **Independent Oversight and Accountability Commission** and to the general public that the **Independent Oversight and Accountability Commission** will hold the following meeting, which will be open to the public.

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**SPECIAL MEETING NOTICE:**  
**Independent Oversight and Accountability Commission (Prop. 411)**  
**Monday, March 13, 2023, at 5:30 p.m.**

**\*\*\*Public Works Building, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor North Engineering Conference Room\*\*\***  
**201 N. Stone Avenue, Tucson, AZ 85701**

For members of the public that wish to address the commission during **Call to the Audience**, we ask that you please email your request to Leticia Flores at [info@tucsondelivers.info](mailto:info@tucsondelivers.info) or call 520-885-9009. The email should include your full name, mailing address, and phone number. Also, please specify if you would like to be added to our email distribution list for future notifications and updates. **Please send your email no later than 10 a.m. Monday, March 13, 2023.**

**MEETING MINUTES**

- 1. Call to Order/Roll Call** – Commission Chair Dale Calvert called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Roll call was taken, and quorum was established, 7-3.

Present		Absent	
Bruce Burke City Manager	Dale Calvert City Manager	*E. Liane Hernandez City Manager	Cynthia Harper-Ayala City Manager
Ian Johnson Ward 3	Jesse Lugo Ward 5	Jon Aitken Ward 4	Elizabeth Soltero Ward 1
Ned Beman Ward 2	Paul Smith Ward 6		

\*E. Liane Hernandez arrived at 5:32pm

- 2. Approval of Minutes – February 13, 2023** – Commission member Ned Beman made a motion to approve the February 13, 2023 meeting minutes as submitted. Commission member Bruce Burke seconded the motion. The meeting minutes were approved by a roll call vote of 8-0.
- 3. Call to the Audience** – One member of the public, Chris Lopez, President of the Julia Keen Neighborhood Association thanked Program Manager Jim DeGroot for meeting with the Julia Keen neighbors. Ms. Lopez addressed the Commission and talked about the lack of sidewalks, the need for ADA compliant sidewalks, the on-going issue of potholes in the neighborhood, and pedestrian and traffic safety on Country Club Road between 22<sup>nd</sup> and Aviation Parkway. Ms. Lopez requested the remaining ¾ of the distressed streets in the neighborhood be in the top 20% priority of the worst streets first list. No action was taken.

- 4. Update on 5<sup>th</sup>/ 6<sup>th</sup> Street Project** – Tucson Department of Transportation & Mobility Director (DTM), Sam Credio shared the 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> Street project website, <https://dtmprojects.tucsonaz.gov/pages/fifth-sixth-street>, and provided an update. Mr. Credio talked about several projects in the area from Prop 407 and Prop 101 as well as public outreach efforts. The 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> Street Pedestrian Safety & Walkability project is part of Prop 407 of the Tucson Delivers Parks and Connections program. The project consists of street improvements to provide complete and connected sidewalks on both sides of the road, enhanced street crossings, street lighting, and landscaping for shade from Campbell Avenue to Alvernon Way. Construction schedule is from 2023 to 2025. The 5<sup>th</sup> Street Reconstruction project is part of Prop 101 of the Tucson Delivers Better Streets program. The project scope consists of a complete reconstruction of 5<sup>th</sup> Street between Country Club Road and Wilmot Road, including a water main replacement. Construction on the water line will begin in Summer 2023. Mr. Credio said DTM held multiple public meetings in 2022 to get input from surrounding businesses and residents regarding the reconfiguration of Fifth/Sixth Street from Campbell Avenue to Wilmot Road. A survey was distributed following these public meetings to gauge the community's thoughts on this project. Survey results can be found on the project website. He also discussed the traffic study analysis, the recommendation, and the timeline for the project. Mr. Credio said based on the traffic analysis, input from the community, and programmed improvements (Prop 101 & 407), the following is the recommendation: 6<sup>th</sup> Street from Campbell Avenue to Country Club Road – Road Diet is not recommended with current volumes, and 5<sup>th</sup> Street from Country Club Road to Wilmot Road – Road Diet can be implemented with further refinements to the proposed design and enhancements at the traffic signals. Therefore, the Road Diet pilot project will move forward and follow the water line construction schedule. The study analysis and presentation can also be found on the project website. Discussion was held. No action was taken.
- 5. Request to include 9th Street and Blacklidge Bike Boulevards in Initial Projects** – Program Manager Jim DeGroot presented and provided information on two Prop 407 bike boulevard projects that will be going into construction. The 9<sup>th</sup> Street Bike Boulevard Project (which includes segments on 5<sup>th</sup> Street, 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue) passes through Package 7 of the Prop 101 reconstruction project which will begin construction this summer (2023), \$2.15 million. The Blacklidge Bike Boulevard (Oracle Road to Columbus Boulevard) also passes through Package 7 of the Prop 101 reconstruction project and through a Prop 411 resurfacing project that was previously approved on the Initial Projects List, \$1.94 million. Treatments for these two projects consist of: a Shallow Mill, Asphalt Rubber Chip Seal/Microseal as well as close to 200 pedestrian access ramps. Mr. DeGroot and staff recommended adding the 9<sup>th</sup> Street and Blacklidge Bike Boulevards to the Initial Project List in order to address the pavement conditions prior to investing in the additional infrastructure, therefore handling all the projects at the same time. Discussion was held.

**Action: Approval of addition of the 9th Street and Blacklidge Bike Boulevards to Initial Project List**

Commission member Bruce Burke motioned to approve the addition of the 9th Street and Blacklidge Bike Boulevards to Initial Project List. Commission member Ned Beman seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously by a roll call vote of 8-0.

- 6. Incorporation of Equity in Move Tucson** – Patrick Hartley with the Complete Streets Coordinating Council (CSCC) presented and provided information on the incorporation of Equity into the Move Tucson long-range transportation plan. Mr. Hartley explained what Move Tucson is and its process. He said Move Tucson is the City of Tucson's 20+ year transportation plan which prioritizes a list of city-focused multimodal long-range transportation projects and programs. The Move Tucson process was broken down into four phases; 1. Visioning, Inventory, Analysis, 2. Public Engagement, 3. Guiding Principles & Recommendations, 4. Implementation Plan. He talked about the existing conditions summary, traffic fatalities, street network analysis, excess lane capacities, equity analysis inputs, public engagement, survey results, Tucson's

transportation vision and guiding principles, and project identification and prioritization. Mr. Hartley said the inputs that were used to define Equity were the percentage of the population identifying as having a disability, the percentage of households without regular access to a vehicle, the percentage of the population under the age of 18, the percentage of the population that is 65 years of age or older, the percentage of the population of working age living at or below 200% of the Federal Poverty Level, the percentage of the population over 25 years of age that does not have a high school diploma or equivalent, the percentage of the population that identifies as not speaking English well or at all, and the percentage of the population that identifies as non-white and/or Hispanic/Latino. He said the Complete Streets Coordinating Council (CSCC) helped with public engagement. He shared the link to Move Tucson's website, <https://movetucson.tucsonaz.gov/>. Discussion was held. No action was taken.

- 7. Discussion on Plan Implementation** – Program Manager Jim DeGroot provided an update stating the first projects to be constructed from the Initial Projects List will be: approximately 1300 Curb Access Ramps to be ADA compliant, 1.4 million square yards of pavement preservation, and the two approved bike boulevard additions. Consultants are being selected for the Safety projects as well. Mr. DeGroot presented an Overall Condition Index (OCI) map with information on current pavement conditions. The OCI can range from 0 – 100. Current pavement conditions have a vast majority of Tucson streets in very poor or failed condition. He talked about the ranking priorities and requested feedback from commissioners to set the Criteria for project selection. Prop 101 priorities were based upon “Worst-First” and Ward equality. He said Ward equality is more challenging with Prop 411 than in Prop 101. While wards may have similar populations, they don't necessarily have similar amounts of roadways. Discussion was held. Commission members and staff agreed to continue the discussion at the next meeting.
- 8. Better Streets / Safe Streets Website Update** – Tucson Department of Transportation & Mobility Director (DTM), Sam Credio presented the website for Prop 411 to the commissioners and shared the link, <https://tucsondelivers.tucsonaz.gov/pages/better-streets-safe-streets>. Mr. Credio said he gave the Mayor and Council members a presentation on Prop 411 at their last meeting and was given direction to publicize any and all information that pertains to the Prop 411 projects and to allow public participation. He stated that the Tucson Delivers website would house all information for Prop 411 projects and would also serve as a location where anyone could provide feedback/input. Discussion was held. No action was taken.
- 9. Future Meeting Date and Agenda Items** – Commissioners discussed when the next meeting would be held and agreed on Tuesday, April 11, 2023 at 5:30 p.m. Future agenda items requested include: a presentation on Equity, and further discussion on the Criteria for selecting projects.
- 10. Adjournment** – Commission Chair Dale Calvert adjourned the meeting at 7:26 p.m.

Due to Open Meeting Law, only those items on the agenda will be addressed at this meeting. Action may be taken on any item. Persons with a disability may request a reasonable accommodation, such as a sign language interpreter, by contacting Leticia at 520-885-9009 or at [Leticia@kaneenpr.com](mailto:Leticia@kaneenpr.com). Please allow ample time to make these arrangements.

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