

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 **August 16**, **2023**. A recording of the meeting may be accessed here: TBD.

# **APPROVED Meeting Minutes**

## 1. Roll Call, Call to Order, and Approval of June Minutes.

Voice roll call was taken, with 13 members of the committee in attendance. Joseph Mais (Chair) called the meeting to order at 6:02 pm.

MOTION: A motion to approve the June 21, 2023 minutes was made by Joseph Mais, seconded by Randy Ford, and passed by voice vote, 10 yes, 0 no; three members were not present at prior meeting, thus abstaining.

#### 2. Call to the Public.

Garrett Weaver attended and brought to attention the route to the Airport. That area of Tucson is inaccessible by bicycle and asks the committee to consider adding to a future agenda item the accessibility by bicycles by the 22<sup>nd</sup> and Alvernon / Palo Verde intersection.

## 3. Updates from Law Enforcement

2 bicycle fatalities

1222 N Stone: south bound in bike lane and crossed lanes, midday, vehicle was not at fault.
6032 E 22<sup>nd</sup>: was traveling east bound in bike lane (10pm), the vehicle fled the scene. Bicyclists was wearing a helmet but was dragged under the vhicle. Unable to locate the vehicle yet at this time.

4 pedestrian fatalities

3 pedestrians at fault, 1 motorcyclist at fault

New program, called Traffic Watch: video or photographs. On TPD Traffic Watch, one can upload videos and photos from which TPD can investigate.

https://survey123.arcgis.com/share/b831037dea9a425d83fa836628c7f87e

Link referenced by committee:

https://medium.com/vision-zero-cities-journal/words-matter-even-in-traffic-c59f5efb80a5

### 4. Pima County Medical Examiner Report on Pedestrian Fatalities

Tasha Tully presented and shared information related to pedestrian fatalities, representing Pima County Office of the Medical Examiner.

- The office was concerned when in 2022 there were 72 pedestrian deaths, a 28% increase form year prior. 2017 to 2021, ~40 to 50 and in 2022 a jump. So far, 2023 tracking more normal.
- Approximately, Male 70 / Female 30 and most affected age groups include ages 20 to 29 and 60 to 69.
- Time of death most common 6pm to midnight and higher number of deaths on weekends.
- Toxicology screenings have increased on pedestrian deaths. 71% (or 69) had screening performed and of that 77% (or 53) had positive results.
- This data is available on the data dashboard, updated monthly
- There was not a significant finding for special clustering on location data
- Bicyclist Deaths: 13 in 2022, and 7 YTD 2023, average one per month
  - 4 out of 12 had positive toxicology results, note the small sample size
  - o More were happening while bicyclists were in a traffic lane

Motor Vehicle Related Deaths dashboard / link: Microsoft Power BI (powerbigov.us)

## 5. Designing Cities

Ben Elias shared a report from the recent national conference in Denver, CO, "Designing Cities 2023" put on by NACTO National Association of City Transportation Officials.

- 96 different member cities across North America (US & Canada right now)
- Topics included but not limited to crises of street safety, climate change, dealing with economic and racial inequality
- Intersection and bikeway design guides
- Better Bike Share Partnership (BBSP): protected infrastructure examples in Denver and how encourage more bike share and bicycling via policy
  - E.g., City passed ordnance that if construction in area that would close bike / pedestrian facilities, something equal or better in quality needed to be maintained throughout construction
- Wide variety of topics: what different cities are doing with materials in their bike infrastructure, "bikeway materials" (Toronto, San Francisco, Albuquerque, and Detroit)
- "Meet the Cities", share what is happening in your community
- "Walkshop", mobile tours to directly experience the infrastructure

https://denver.prelive.opencities.com/Government/Agencies-Departments-Offices/Agencies-Departments-Offices-Directory/Economic-Development-Opportunity/Neighborhood-Equity

# 6. Outreach Subcommittee

Sophia shared a draft of the updated website to the committee coordinated with the city web designer. There were several options were presented.

More approachable language
Improved visuals / photos
Shorten the url
Remove no longer applicable sections
Option A Mission Statement at the top
Option B Mission Statement at Bottom
Option A Meeting time placed below
Option B Meeting time placed at the top

Suggestions: Add a FAQ section

MOTION: A motion was made to adopt then changes discussed and to consider a mock up at a future meeting by Sophia Gonzalez, seconded by Joseph Mais, and it was approved by a voice vote 12 yes, 0 no.

# 7. Goal Setting / Next Meeting

- Biking access near the airport from the public comment
- Prepare conversation / meeting agenda regarding victim reporting language conversation with TPD and how improve communication
  - o <a href="https://policeanalysis.tucsonaz.gov/pages/traffic-collisions">https://policeanalysis.tucsonaz.gov/pages/traffic-collisions</a>
- Questions for Transportation Working Group upcoming session
- Organization overlap communication across the community

# 8. Announcements, Updates, and Questions for Related Entities

- GABA: Daphne Hope, not in attendance
- CSCC: Sophia Gonzalez
- Plan Tucson: James Wood: Summer '23 to Spring '24 is the second planning phase and James will be attending the working group meeting. Please reach out to James with any suggestions or questions for that session as our representative.
  - o <a href="https://www.plantucson.org">https://www.plantucson.org</a>
- UofA: Javier Montenegro: enhanced the conflict area on the East University path (right before cross Campbell)

#### 9. Announcements, Updates, and Questions for Staff

- City of Tucson, Ben Elias
  - O Requesting feedback on Zicla Zebra's pilot program on Main Avenue
    - https://bit.ly/zicla-zebra-pilot
  - O A policy was put on the books recently, pertaining to this group, related to construction zones. The standard right now is if entering a construction zone that might block a bike lane, there is a sign share the road with care, bike lane ends. The policy change is that

- those barricading work zones should consider the specific sign, Bicycles May Use Full Lane
- Small section of aviation bikeway closed (north side of rattlesnake bridge). Along side Ironhorse Park. A park project and path reconstruction, and a marked detour route is developed.
- o Friday Sept 15<sup>th</sup>, Parking Day. The City of Tucson will do a demonstration of a 2 way protected bike lane on Stone. This will shut down half a block, 9AM to 1PM.
- **Pima County**, Jonathan Crowe:
  - Membership: 3 have expired memberships and more expire in Sept and 2 openings.
    - Kim Smith, Nicole Sanderson are new candidates
  - County is working with City and others to make more safety and incident data available and to take actual steps to move towards zero fatalities
- Oro Valley, none present
- Marana, none present
- PAG, David Mitchell:
  - O Tucson Bikeways Map is going through a major update by mid Fall (Oct / Nov timeframe)
  - Oct 7 through 29<sup>th</sup>, bicycle and pedestrian count effort underway, more information to follow

# 10. Adjournment.

The Chair adjourned the June 21, 2023 TPCBAC meeting at 8:09 pm.

# Attendance:

Imelda Cortez, Mayor Sophia Gonzalez, Ward 1 John Edgett, Ward 2 Paul Tilley, Ward 3 Joey Iuliano, Ward 4 James Wood, Ward 5

Courtnee DeBoer, Pima County

Randy Ford, Pima County

Daphne Hope, Pima County (absent)

Doug Horn, Pima County (absent)

David Linn, Pima County Joseph Mais, Pima County

Howard Maubach, Pima County (absent)

Eric Post, Pima County

Ingmar Riedel-Kruse, Pima County

Bob Smith, Sahuarita (absent)
David Andrews, Marana (absent)

Javier Montenegro, University of Arizona

# Audience:

Garrett Weaver Matthew Jankowski Elaine Mariolle David Linn

Nicole Sanderson

Tasha Tully

Dora Maldonado Kristin McRay

Marcos Esparza, Ward 6

Benjamin Elias, COT/TDOT Jonathan Crowe, PCDOT

TBD, Oro Valley (absent)
TBD, Marana (absent)

David Mitchell, PAG Sgt Williams, TPD