



Pursuant to ARS #38-431.02, notice is hereby given to the members of the 2018 Parks + Connections Bond Oversight Commission and to the public that the **2018 Parks + Connections Bond Oversight Commission** will hold the following meeting, which will be open to the public.

2018 Parks + Connections Bond Oversight Commission Hybrid Meeting
Monday, January 29, 2024, at 5:30 p.m.

In-person: Parks & Recreation Mesquite Room - 900 S. Randolph Way, Tucson, AZ 85716

Or Virtual:

To join the Parks + Connections BOC Virtual Zoom Meeting from your computer, tablet, or smartphone, go to:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82836961895> Meeting ID: 828 3696 1895 Phone dial in: +1 669 900 6833

For members of the public that wish to address the commission during the **Call to the Audience**, we ask that you please email your request to Joan Landers at info@tucsondelivers.info or call 520-885-9009. The email should include your full name, mailing address, phone number, and the topic you wish to address. Also, please specify if you would like to be added to our email distribution list for future notifications and updates. **Please call or send your email no later than 10:00 a.m. Monday, January 29, 2024.** Thank you.

LEGAL ACTION REPORT

- 1. Call to Order and Roll Call** – Commission chair Dr. Ron Spark called the meeting to order at 5:38 p.m. Quorum was established with roll call, 7-4.

Present			Absent	
Willie Blake Ward 5	Nicole Fyffe City Manager	Kathy Kretschmer City Manager	John Anderson City Manager	Ryan Anderson Ward 3
Kendall Kroesen Ward 4	Jose Muñoz Mayor	Ron Spark Ward 6	Frank Flasch Ward 2	Krista Romero-Cardenas City Manager
Lisa Vega Ward 1				

- 2. Approval of October 9, 2023 Meeting Minutes** – Commission member Willie Blake motioned to approve the October 9, 2023 meeting minutes as presented. Commission member Kathy Kretschmer seconded the motion. The minutes were passed by a roll call vote of 7-0.
- 3. Call to the Audience** – Commission chair Dr. Ron Spark said eight members of the community were currently present to address the commission and would allow them to speak.
 - Jason Donalson**, stated he is not in favor of the proposed pedestrian lighting along 5th/6th streets from Campbell Ave to Alvernon Wy.
 - Paul Gruberg**, stated he is not in favor of the proposed pedestrian lighting along 5th/6th streets from Campbell Ave to Alvernon Wy.
 - Gayle Hartmann**, stated she is not in favor of the proposed pedestrian lighting along 5th/6th streets from Campbell Ave to Alvernon Wy.

- **Jonathan Homan**, stated he is not in favor of the proposed pedestrian lighting along 5th/6th streets from Campbell Ave to Alvernon Wy.
- **Colby Henley (virtual participant)**, stated he is in favor of the proposed pedestrian lighting along 5th/6th streets from Campbell Ave to Alvernon Wy.
- **Eva Seid**, stated she is not in favor of the proposed pedestrian lighting along 5th/6th streets from Campbell Ave to Alvernon Wy.
- **Chris Tanz**, stated she is not in favor of the proposed pedestrian lighting along 5th/6th streets from Campbell Ave to Alvernon Wy.
- **Rui Wang (virtual participant)**, stated she is in favor of the proposed pedestrian lighting along 5th/6th streets from Campbell Ave to Alvernon Wy.

This is the time when any member of the public may address the 2018 Parks + Connections Bond Oversight Commission. Due to time constraints, the total time allocated for this is 15 minutes. Individuals are allowed three (3) minutes each. Due to Open Meeting Law, Commission Members cannot discuss topics that are not on the agenda. Items brought up by the public may be considered as an agenda item for a future meeting.

- 4. Program Update** – Program Manager Aaron Williams provided a program financial update through January 22, 2024. Discussion was held.
 - a. Program Financial Update** – Commission member Dr. Ron Spark asked for approval of the financial overview. Commission member Kathy Kretschmer motioned to approve the recommended financial overview as presented. Commission member Willie Blake second the motion. The financial overview was passed unanimously 7-0.

5. Project Updates

- a. Parks** – Deputy Director of Parks & Recreation, Greg Jackson provided updates on Parks projects throughout the city. Discussion was held. No action was taken.
- b. Connections** – Tucson Department of Transportation & Mobility Planning Project Managers Collin Chesston & Ryan Fagan provided updates on Connections projects and talked about current projects and community outreach and engagement efforts. Collin asked the commission how they prefer to receive updates on Connections projects. Discussion was held. No action was taken.

6. Project Change Requests

- a. Overview of Project Change Guidelines** – Program Manager Aaron Williams provided information on project change guidelines.
- b. Connections** – Tucson Department of Transportation & Mobility Planning Project Manager Ryan Fagan provided information on street lighting along the 5th/6th Pedestrian Safety and Walkability project corridor.
 - i. Alignment Change** – Request for decision on street lighting related to the 5th/6th Pedestrian Safety and Walkability project related to street lighting. Staff will provide an overview of the initial review and public outreach actions. Staff will present a recommendation for the Commission to consider while determining a final decision on the proposed change. Mr. Fagan explained each section of the project lighting. The proposed lighting on 6th Street from Campbell Ave to Tucson Blvd consists of 30' lighting on both north and south sides of the street. The proposed lighting on 5th street from Country Club Rd to Alvernon Wy consists of 34' 3" lighting on the south side of the street. Over a five-year period from 2018 to 2022, FHWA reported 161 crashes along these sections of the 5th/6th street corridor. PAG currently rates the level of safety as poor for the roadway and fair for the intersections. Mr. Fagan explained two public open houses were held in spring of 2023 to present 15% design concept plans. Two additional public open houses were held in fall of 2023 to present 60% design plans. He continued to state that all comments received were mixed but largely in favor of

street lighting.

The recommendation is to approve the proposed lighting improvements related to the 5th/6th Pedestrian Safety and Walkability project as currently designed, and as originally described in the project documentation.

Commission member Willie Blake motioned to approve the recommended street lighting related to the 5th/6th Pedestrian Safety and Walkability project. Commission member Kathy Kretschmer seconded the motion, and the motion passed with a roll call vote of 7-0.

7. Next Steps

- a. Next Meeting and Future Meeting Schedule (Tentative)** – Commission chair Dr. Ron Spark pointed out the next tentative meeting dates.
 - i. 4.29.24 / 7.15.24 / 10.21.24**
- b. Future Agenda Items** – Staff reports as it relates to updates and reports for the connection project.
- c. Commissioner & Staff Announcements** – Commission chair Dr. Ron Spark and Tucson Department of Transportation & Mobility Planning Project Manager, Ryan Fagan stated they have been in contact with Pima County about adding additional bicycle signage in areas where the Loop transitions to a City of Tucson bikeway/bike boulevard. Ryan stated he has not heard back from Pima County and will reach out again.

8. Adjournment – Commission chair Dr. Ron Spark adjourned the meeting at 7:05 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 Leticia@kaneenpr.com. Please allow ample time to make these arrangements.