



# 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue Citizens' Corridor Planning Task Force



Thursday, January 16, 2025, 5:45 p.m.

Donna Liggins Recreation Center

2160 N. 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue

Tucson, AZ 85705

## LEGAL ACTION REPORT

Before Roll Call, it was announced that we have a potential new task force member, Kate Saunders, who introduced herself and her background to the members.

### 1. Call to Order

Due to the absence of the Chair and both Co-Chairs at the start of this meeting, the task force members present were asked for a volunteer to act as Chair for this meeting. Melissa (Mimi) Noshay-Petro volunteered to be the acting Chair.

The Acting Chair Melissa (Mimi) Noshay-Petro called the meeting to order at 5:50 p.m., duly seconded by Ruben Robles. The quorum was established through roll call.

PRESENT	ABSENT
Caroline Bartelme	Kathleen (Susan) O'Brien
Dave Boston	Dana Higgins
Ruben Robles	Jon Barger
Melissa (Mimi) Noshay-Petro	
Mark Hachtel	
Nancy Reid	
Maxine Dunkelman	
Mindy Gutzmer	
Marci Caballero-Reynolds	
A.M. Rivers	
Karl Peterson	

### 2. Approval of November 21, 2024 Meeting Minutes

Melissa (Mimi) Noshay-Petro asked 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue Citizens' Corridor Planning Task Force (1ACCPTF) members if they had an opportunity to review the minutes from the previous meeting on November 21, 2024. All 1ACCPTF members had reviewed the minutes, and Mimi moved to approve them and duly seconded by Ruben Robles. The 1ACCPTF reached a Consensus Decision and approved the November 21, 2024, meeting minutes.

### **3. Call to the Audience**

No comments were received during the Call to the Audience. No subsequent action was taken.

Co-Chair Karl Peterson arrived and took over as Chair of the meeting.

### **4. Public Engagement Update: Summary of Survey Responses**

HDR Area Strategic Communications Business Class Lead, Kristi Ross, presented the summary of the Phase 1 public outreach and survey results. There were 588 responses to the survey. Kristi went through how the survey result's final demographic breakdown compares with the corridor demographics. She then went into the major trends that came out of the final survey results. No action was taken.

### **5. Summary of Current Existing Conditions on the Corridor**

Kittelson & Associates Principal Engineer, Felipe Ladron de Guevara, presented the Summary of Existing Conditions along the corridor as a refresher before working on the project goals. No action was taken.

### **6. Establish Preliminary Project Goals**

HDR Project Manager, Brent Kirkman started this section by reviewing the stages of the Design Concept Report (DCR), where we are now, and where we need to be by the Spring/Summer of 2025. Brent then went through the Task Force Schedule for 2025 and the milestones that need to be reached this spring. City of Tucson Department of Transportation and Mobility (DTM) Planning Administrator Patrick Hartley then explained how the project goals were developed, the process of defining goals, and the purpose of those goals for the project. Patrick then discussed the city's "Move Tucson" vision and how this will affect the project goals.

Patrick then presented the six project goals that the team drafted, and the task force members will give feedback tonight. Examples were then given on how the project goals will influence the key design strategies for the project. One of the examples presented was how this process was used on another local road project.

Patrick then asked for discussion on the goals presented (Do they reflect corridor needs and community input? Is anything else needed? Are there any key concepts needed and then asked everyone to score each goal with their level of importance on their provided worksheets.

The task force then was asked to give comments on each of the six preliminary project goals and those comments were captured in real time.

### **7. Review City of Tucson Preferred Cross-Section of Roadway**

HDR Project Manager, Brent Kirkman along with City of Tucson DTM Administrator Patrick Hartley presented the City of Tucson's Section 14. 100-ft right of way, urban 5-lane, 2-way street, pedestrian island, curb-protected bike lane to the task force members. The members were asked if this was an acceptable starting point for the project and after discussion, it was unanimously agreed upon as a good starting point.

## **8. Future Agenda Items**

Kristi asked the group if they would like to have the city's MainStreet department make a presentation to the task force in the future. Everyone agreed.

Other topics mentioned for possible future agenda items were:

Homeless/Unhoused community and how the city is dealing with this.

- Maybe a future walk and talk along the corridor.

## **9. Adjournment**

Co-Chairperson Karl Peterson asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting, Caroline Bartelme moved to adjourn the meeting and Ruben Robles seconded. Co-Chairperson Karl Peterson adjourned the meeting at 7:40 p.m.