



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 is open to the public.

The TPCBAC conducted a public meeting on August 19, 2026, via Microsoft Teams.

DRAFT OF MINUTES

1. Roll Call, Call to Order, and Approval of Minutes from the previous meeting.

Quorum was met with 8 members present (7 required for quorum).

MOTION: A motion to approve the July 2026 minutes was made by Krista Post, seconded by James Wood, and passed by voice vote, 7 yes, 0 no, 1 member abstaining (Anona Miller), who was not present at the July meeting.

2. Call to the Public.

No one present

3. Updates from Law Enforcement. Lt Jason Bredehoft, TPD

No accidents/fatalities were reported within the last month. There were 3 cyclist fatalities and 14 pedestrian fatalities since January 1, 2026. Lt Bredehoft believes fatalities are trending down, which he attributes to increased traffic violation enforcement.

4. City of Tucson Presentation: Glenn Street Pedestrian Safety & Walkability, Dustin Ahlrich

Dustin Ahlrich, Engineering Project Manager, presented an overview of the Glenn Street Safety and Walkability project, which is moving into final design. The project will provide connected sidewalks on both sides of Glenn from Oracle to Alvernon, including driveway and curb-ramp improvements, ADA accessibility, lighting, and repaving in selected sections. Explained that different funding sources limit which portions of Glenn can be repaved.

- **Oracle–Cherry:** Walkability improvements, refreshed striping, and a buffered bike lane.
- **Cherry–Campbell:** Repaving plus protected bike lanes using flexible posts.
- **Campbell–Country Club:** Repaving, removal of the center turn lane, wider/buffered bike lanes, and flexible-post protection; turn lanes will remain at signalized intersections based on traffic analysis.
- **Country Club–Alvernon:** Sidewalk and repaving improvements; the current proposal is to retain the existing buffered bike lane without physical protection because of conflicts with trash collection and mail delivery.
- A mini-roundabout is planned at Park and Glenn, replacing the existing four-way stop. Dustin emphasized that it will be a true engineered roundabout, not simply a neighborhood traffic circle.

- Because of limited right-of-way, bicyclists will have to merge into the travel lane at the roundabout rather than use a separate shared-use path.
- A protected intersection is planned at Mountain Avenue, coordinated with the Mountain Avenue protected bike lane project.
- Enhanced pedestrian crossings, including Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons (RRFBs) and high-visibility crosswalks, are also planned near key locations such as schools and parks.
- The project team is considering locations where street runoff could be directed into landscaped areas and coordinating with the City's green stormwater infrastructure group.
- Preliminary design is being wrapped up, but there is still an opportunity for minor changes based on public input. Construction is tentatively anticipated for 2028.

Committee member James Wood recommended using flexible posts or some type of physical protection for cyclists on the **Country Club–Alvernon** segment. Even if posts cannot be installed at the full standard spacing, arguing that occasional posts could still increase driver awareness. James also suggested using green pavement markings or signage in advance of the roundabout to alert drivers that bicycles will be sharing the travel lane. Or indicating that bicycles may enter/use the full lane. Dustin agreed to investigate enhanced pavement markings and possible merge signage.

Ingmar commented on the potential safety risk of roundabouts requiring cyclists to merge into the vehicle lane. Suggested that having vehicles, rather than bicycles, could merge into the bikeway. Also suggested converting paved areas not intended for vehicle use into stormwater infiltration areas.

Karen Keeting made further suggestions about incorporating green infrastructure into the project. E.g., using the space between the sidewalk and curb, or narrow areas adjacent to the bike lane, to capture runoff through rock trenches, curb openings, landscaping, trees, or other infiltration features. Offered to provide information from the City's Water Conservation Program to help with the design.

Krista asked whether Tucson has considered using “cool pavement” treatments on repaved streets to reduce pavement temperatures. Dustin said he was aware of the concept but had not heard it considered for this project, and he agreed to look into it. Dustin or Lee Miller may attend another meeting to give updates.

5. **Announcements, Updates, and Questions for Related Entities.**

- **Greater Arizona Bicycling Association (GABA)**, Daphne Hope absent
- **MovingPima Transportation Master Plan Project**, Daphne Hope absent
- **Loop Subcommittee**, Daphne Hope absent
- **Complete Streets Coordinating Council (CSCC)**, James Wood
No update

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

- **City of Tucson**, Lydia Barker
First Avenue: River Road to Grant Road Project. Funded with Pima Association of Governments and the Regional Transportation Authority (PAG/RTA). 30% design is complete. This large project will include

improvements such as alternate intersections, protected Intersections, and as many vertical alerts as possible to improve bike safety without eliminating access to driveways and inhibiting drainage.

Patrick Hartley is collecting feedback patrick.hartley@tucsonaz.gov. Website with interactive map:

<https://www.tucson1stavenueproject.com/>.

- **Pima County**, Mike Hendrix

Construction of the bikepath along Houghton Rd. between Camino del Torro and Suarita Rd. in the Corona de Tucson area is starting in October. The Valencia Project construction starts at the end of 2026. Will run from Mission Rd to Camino de la Tierra

- **Marana Update**, Brian Varney

No update

- **Pima Association of Governments (PAG)**, Hanna Odin

No update

- **Oro Valley**, Krista Post

No update.

7. Initial information on Silverbell Rd project, Mike Hendrix

This project is an RTA project connecting the area between Tucson and Marana. The County put out a requisition for a designer and is evaluating applicants now. The County will review the design concept report and establish a citizens advisory committee. Once a designer is named, a more detailed schedule will be released; however, estimated project completion is within 5 years.

8. Gates Pass Project Safety Information, Mike Hendrix

A search of the last 10 years of available info (from 2016 through June 2025) of cyclist accidents on Gates Pass revealed no reported cyclist-involved accidents and one pedestrian fatality. All other accidents involved vehicles.

9. Data-driven approach identifying upgrade needs, Evan Santerio

Evan proposed using a Geographic Information System (GIS) to systematically identify underserved areas, gaps in bike infrastructure, and disconnected facilities throughout the county. He suggested analyzing population versus bike facilities and identifying difficult-to-access destinations such as Sweetwater Preserve. He emphasized using data to prioritize investments and resource allocation. Evan is willing to pursue the idea but currently lacks access to GIS software; he may explore open-source options later. Suggestions included coordinating with PAG, Pima County, and PeopleForBikes to conduct the analyses.

Following the meeting, Evan added that he may contact the U of AZ Geography Department to inquire about offering a data-seeking opportunity for TPCBAC as a student project.

Resources mentioned:

PeopleForBikes: <https://www.peopleforbikes.org/>

Tucson Open Data: <https://gisdata.tucsonaz.gov/>

Tucson Pedestrian Safety Action Plan: https://www.tucsonaz.gov/files/sharedassets/public/v/1/transportation-and-mobility/bicycle-and-pedestrian-program/documents/23710_tucson_pedestrian_safety_action_plan_20200408_final.pdf

Pima Co Road Pavement Repair & Preservation Program: <https://www.pima.gov/1004/Road-Pavement-Repair-and-Preservation-Pr>

Moving Pima: <https://movingpima.com/>

10. Discussion on public complaint from July meeting, Ingmar Riedel-Kruse

The committee generally agreed that the original complaint did not specifically name safety hazards for cyclists. Furthermore, committee members agreed that raising individual complaints to a city or county level without applicability to a broader population may not be within the committee's work scope. Request also made to include complainant photos when presenting to the committee.

11. Camino Del Cerro Project, Evan Santerior

Nothing at this time.

12. Future Agenda Items/Discussion

- **Regional Bicycle and Pedestrian Count:** PAG is seeking volunteers for the upcoming bike count event, as well as intersection suggestions to include.
- **TPCBAC member roles:** Ingmar suggests that anyone interested in being Chair, Vice-Chair, or Secretary, please be in touch. Information needed on member term limits.
- **Follow-up requested** on Bike Theft issue letter sent to U of AZ.

13. Personal Member Introductions / Announcements

- **Elaine Mariolle Introduction:** Previously served on TPCBAC. Lives in Tucson, works for ADOT doing active transportation planning for the state. Reports that within the next year they will be updating the statewide active transportation plan. She will be reaching out to TPCBAC members to potentially join a stakeholder group.
- **Evan noted** seeing a 30-60 second video on Facebook on how to use the High-Intensity Activated Crosswalk (HAWK) system
- **Ingmar followed up** that the bike lane on Park Avenue at the University has been clear. This relates to previous committee discussion about parking & delivery problems within the bike path at that location.
- **Anona reported** the university is piloting open bike corrals at Honors Village to reduce bike theft by concentrating bike parking, limiting entry/exit points, and increasing surveillance. This lower-cost pilot is about 85% complete and will help determine whether the approach can be replicated across campus

14. Adjournment

*** NOTE: TPCBAC next meeting will be Wednesday, September 16th, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.**

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Attendance:

	COMMITTEE MEMBER	REPRESENTING	ATTENDANCE
1)	John Edgett	Ward 2	Absent
2)	Le'Sean Marks	Ward 3	Absent
3)	Elaine Flin	Ward 4	Present
4)	James Wood	Ward 5	Present
5)	Jane Zavisca	Ward 6	Absent
6)	Robert Smith	Sahuarita	Present
7)	Daphne Hope, Vice Chairperson	Pima County	Absent
8)	Eric Post	Pima County	Present
9)	Evan Santerior	Pima County	Present
10)	xIngmar Riedel-Kruse, Chairperson	Pima County	Present
11)	Anona Miller	University of AZ	Present
12)	Krista Post, Secretary	Oro Valley	Present
13)	Summer Dawn Cope	Pima County	Absent
14)	Brian Varney	Marana	Present
	EX-OFFICIO NON-VOTING MEMBERS	REPRESENTING	ATTENDANCE
	Lydia Barker	City of Tucson	Present
	Mike Hendrix	Pima County	Present
	Dustin Ahlrich	City of Tucson	Present
	David Tapia	City of Tucson	Present
	Karen Keeting Elaine Mariolle	ADOT	Present Present