

Minutes
Apache Boulevard Project Area Committee
October 8, 2007

Minutes of the Apache Boulevard Project Area Committee meeting held on October 8, 2007, from 4:00 – 5:30 p.m., at the City of Tempe Police Substation, 1855 E. Apache Boulevard, Tempe, Arizona.

Members Present:

Phil Amorosi
Ed Andrews
Jim Brewer
Charles Buss
Martin Godusi
David Johnson
Pen Johnson
Irving/Esther Kozinets
Brian Martin
Chris McKee
Gretchen Reinhardt

Members Absent:

Don Hoots
Jeff Hansen
John Toliver
Pete DeMott
Ray Devine
Kevin Olsen
Bob Stafford

City Staff:

Heidi Graham – Community Development
Mike Anaya – Community Development

Guests Present (Presentation):

Carla Kahn – METRO
Ryan Snow – SSWJV
Hansen – Community Development
David Schwartz – Friends of Transit

Meeting convened at 4:08 P.M.
Phil Amorosi called the meeting to order.

Agenda Item 1 - Consideration of Meeting Minutes

September 10, 2007 Meeting Minutes – Approved

Agenda Item 2 – Announcements/Questions

Phil Amorosi

- Officer Jeff Glover is taking Jeff Lane's place from this point on.

Heidi Graham

- Introduction of Dawn Coomer – Senior Transportation Planner, Light Rail Division – she will be attending the APAC Meetings.
- Regarding the Two RFP's that went out for bid: one for the three vacant lots at Rita Lane for the creation of market rate housing and the other for the old Saddlehorn property (adjacent to Tempe Canal) and is requesting proposals for mixed-use developments.

There was one respondent for each of the two RFP's Council approved Community Development to begin negotiations with the developers. The next steps will include a presentation to APAC and DRC.

- Campus Edge is undergoing the permit process to set up a sales trailer.

Agenda Item 3 – Light Rail Update – Carla Kahn, METRO

Carla Kahn

- Carla handed out literature (Notices on closures/rubberized asphalt)
- Construction Expo Event at AZ Science Center for Kids

Ryan Snow

PowerPoint presentation on progress delivered.

Line Section 5, Milestones A, B, & C

- Stadium drive – plants installed
- Rural Station – canopy shade structures going in

- Apache - rubberized asphalt being installed
- McClintock Station completed.
- Set OCS pools on OCS foundations – Milestone C
- Smith/Martin Station completed
- Track ready for Price overpass
- Started construction on Price Freeway Station
- 4-5 days ahead of schedule
- Milestone E & F in Mesa – 1300 linear feet of track laid
- Automated switch at Sycamore foundation completed

UPCOMING

- Milestones A & B Grind and overlay Terrace/Apache from rural/McClintock will be complete.
- Punch list items
- Price Road Crossing, track construction – start on phase 2
- Milestone D – Price freeway station, grind and overlay
- Milestone E & F – Landscaping, Dobson corner restoration, track work, guide way work, and duct bank work.

Agenda Item 4 – Presentations

David Schwartz – Executive Director for the Friends of Transit – Transit Tuesday Weekly Promotion

- Friends of Transit started in 2001 – a local non-profit advocacy group.
- Transit Tuesdays is a weekly promotion featuring discounts and special offers each Tuesday at featured businesses along the METRO light rail route.
- Two restaurants are featured every Tuesday through April 2008.
- www.friendsoftransit.org

Hansen, City of Tempe – Community Development – Urban Open Space Plan

- Condensed PowerPoint presentation delivered.
- Handout with links to full report passed out.
- “Place making” ideology
- “Power of 10” – Triangulation – design – connection – transportation are all principles.
- Demonstration project to showcase Power of 10 Concept.
- Urban Heat Island mitigation
- Some concern over neighborhoods being unaffected.

**The Committee's next meeting will be Monday, November 5th, 2007.
The December meeting is scheduled for Monday, December 10th, 2007.
Meeting Adjourned at 5:33 P.M.**

Prepared by Mike Anaya

**Authorized Signature
Heidi Graham, Senior Planner**