
Minutes
City of Tempe Meeting of the Transportation Commission
February 10, 2026



Minutes of the meeting of Tempe Transportation Commission held on Tuesday, February 10, 2026 at 7:30 a.m. via Teams and at the Tempe Transportation Center located at 200 E. Fifth Street, Tempe AZ 85281.

Members Present

David Sokolowski	Sasha Pachito
Amanda Nelson	Chris Watts
Roy Peterson	Jacob Cox
Anthony Strait	Kendra Flory
Mark Richwine	Stevie Milne
Dawn Hocking	Andrea Chalmers
Kelsey Files	Claire Lauer

(MEMBERS) Absent:

Samuel Thiele

City Staff Present:

Tanya Chavez, Mayor & Council Relations Director	Shauna Warner, Neighborhood Services Director
Eric Iwersen, Transportation & Sustainability Director	Chase Walman, Principal Transportation Planner
Cathy Hollow, Principal Civil Engineer	Sam Stevenson, Transit Manager
Lindsay Post, Senior Transportation Planner	Kip Carroll, Transportation Maintenance Manager
Mary Kate Nacke, Public Information Officer	Morgan Kennedy, Neighborhood & Community Engagement Specialist
Greg Bacon, Lieutenant	Sue Taaffe, Admin Supervisor
Mitchell Willard, Transportation Planner	Carla Sidi, Management Assistant
Alex Phillips, Transportation Planner	

Guests Present:

John Federico
Jared Kluge
Errin Khau

Commissioner Dawn Hocking called the meeting to order at 7:30 a.m.

Agenda Item 1 – Public Appearances

Errin Khau spoke about the speeding of buses and frequency. He also stated that the light rail train moves slower through Tempe than in Phoenix and Mesa.

Jared Kluge requested that a bus route be added along Price Road to connect to the city of Chandler. He also said that buses should have dedicated travel lanes and priority at traffic signals while vehicles should not share a lane with the Streetcar. He also said that there are plenty of parking garages in downtown Tempe and that Mill Avenue should have no vehicular parking on the street, and look at “pedestrianization” of Mill Ave.

Agenda Item 2 – Minutes

Dawn Hocking introduced the minutes of the January 20, 2026 meeting of the Transportation Commission and asked for a motion for approval.

Motion: Commissioner David Sokolowski

Second: Commissioner Kendra Flory

Decision: Approved by Commissioners:

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Roy Peterson
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Mark Richwine
Andrea Chalmers
Kelsey Files

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Chris Watts
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Abstain: Dawn Hocking

Agenda Item 3 – Transportation Plan

Lindsay Post made a presentation regarding the Transportation Plan. Topics included:

- Public Engagement Update
- Internal Policy Review
- Highlights of Public Feedback
- Joint Commission Activity Recap
- Preview of Open House Content
- Next Steps

Discussion included transportations services where there is population growth, budget to fund transportation in the future, transit investment vs population growth, upcoming public meetings, drones, heat and shade, facts vs opinions, coordination with neighboring cities, and regional implications of the plan.

Agenda Item 4 – Mill Avenue Streetscape

Eric Iwersen provided an update on the Mill Avenue Streetscape Project. Topics included:

- Project Purpose & Elements
- Progress of Construction
- Business, Event & Resident Outreach
- Remaining Construction
- Next Steps

Discussion included transit shelter sizes and locations.

Agenda Item 5 – Department & Regional Transportation Updates

None

Agenda Item 6 – Future Agenda Items

The following future agenda items have been previously identified by the Commission or staff:

- March 10
 - Prop 479 – Arminta Syed, MAG
 - Complete Streets – Prof. Deborah Salon, ASU
 - Transit Fund Analysis Status
- April 14 (materials due 4/7) – **TWO ITEMS ONLY**
 - Tempe Transportation Plan 2050
 - Speed Limits
- May 12
 - College Avenue Traffic Calming Update (including results from the speed cushion installation)
 - TMA/TDM, Personal Delivery Devices/Autonomous Delivery Vehicles
 - City Speed Cushion Process/Traffic Calming Tools
 - Bike Hero
- June 9
 - Phoenix to Tucson Rail Project – Carlos Lopez, ADOT
- July 14
- August 11
- September 8
- October 13
- November 10
 - Annual Report
- December 8
 - Commission Business – acknowledge outgoing commissioners
 - Transit Survey Results – WestGroup Research
- January 12 (materials due 1/5)
 - Commission Business – elect Chair and Vice Chair and welcome new commissioners
- TBD: 5th and Mill Crosswalk Update

The next meeting is scheduled for March 10, 2026. The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 a.m.

Prepared by: Sue Taaffe

Reviewed by: Eric Iwersen