



## PAG / RTA Joint Study Session

### Minutes of May 3, 2017, Meeting

#### Board Members Present

Mayor Satish Hiremath, PAG Chair  
Town of Oro Valley

Mayor Tom Murphy, RTA Chair  
Town of Sahuarita

Chairman Edward Manuel, PAG Treasurer  
Tohono O'odham Nation

Mayor Jonathan Rothschild, Member  
City of Tucson,

Supervisor Ramón Valadez, Member  
Pima County

Mayor Ed Honea, Member  
Town of Marana

#### Board Members Absent

Vice Chair Peter Yucupicio, Vice Chair  
Pascua Yaqui Tribe

Mr. Mike Hammond, RTA 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chair  
Az State Transportation Board Rep.

Mayor Ildefonso Green, Member  
City of South Tucson

#### Jurisdiction Representatives

Michael Ortega, City of Tucson  
Gilbert Davidson, Town of Marana  
Priscilla Cornelio, Pima County  
Danny Sharp, Town of Oro Valley  
Sixto Molina, City of South Tucson

#### Public/Agencies

Thomas Benavidez, Legal Counsel  
Shellie Ginn, City of Tucson  
Janice Cuaron, City of Tucson

#### Staff

Farhad Moghimi  
Cherie Campbell  
Sheila Storm  
Jacki Ontiveros  
Jeff Hildebrand  
Jim DeGrood  
Jamie Brown  
Cindy Navarro  
Rob Samuelsen  
Dave Adler  
Patrick Hartley  
Nathan Barrett  
Paul Casertano  
John Liosatos

#### 1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Mayor Hiremath called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

#### 2. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was performed by those in attendance.

**3. Welcome and Introductions**

Regional Council Chair Satish Hiremath and RTA Board Chair Tom Murphy welcomed those in attendance. The Mayors explained that this meeting was important to allow both bodies to discuss regional issues and collaborative ideas as one voice moving forward into the second half of the 20-year RTA Plan.

**4. Review Progress of Regional Transportation-Related Initiatives and Identify Future Priorities**

Staff provided an overview on the following items:

- Successes in Regional Collaboration.
- RTA 10-year audit process and next steps.
- RTA reauthorization and next steps.

Members in attendance expressed their support of the RTA collaborative approach and the need for extension beyond 2026.

Following a lengthy discussion on the items noted above as well as regional roles, current federal and state legislative issues, and the need for more collaboration between all member jurisdictions, the following motion was offered and accepted:

Motion was made by Supervisor Valadez, seconded by Mayor Hiremath and unanimously carried that the PAG Regional Council and RTA Board ask staff to prepare a joint pledge confirming both bodies agree to speak with a unified voice to represent the PAG region on regionally relevant issues.

No other action was taken.

**5. Call to the Audience**

None.

**6. Future Agenda Items**


None.

**7. Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 9:47 a.m.

**CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify that the foregoing are the true and correct minutes of the Pima Association of Governments and Regional Transportation Authority Joint Study Session held on May 3, 2017. These minutes serve as the official legal action items for this meeting. I further certify that a quorum was present.

  
Farhad Moghimi, Executive Director