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Regional Transportation Authority (RTA) Technical Management Committee

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Pima Association of Governments

177 N. Church Ave., 5th Floor Conference Room
Tucson, AZ

Pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.02, notice is hereby given to the public and to the Committee members that the Technical Management Committee (TMC) of the Regional Transportation Authority will have a meeting at the above stated time and location. This meeting is open to the public. The following is an agenda of the matters to be considered, discussed and acted upon.

AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Approval of Aug. 11, 2011, TMC Meeting Minutes**
- 3. Announcements**
- 4. Executive Director's Report**
- 5. RTA Board Report**

The RTA Board is composed of the elected officials of the Cities of Tucson and South Tucson; the Towns of Marana, Oro Valley, and Sahuarita, the Pascua Yaqui Tribe, the Tohono O'odham Nation, Pima County and the governor-appointed Pima County representative of the Arizona State Transportation Board. The RTA Board last met on October 27, 2011. The report will update the TMC members on discussions and actions taken by the RTA Board since the last TMC meeting.

6. Small Business Enterprise Requirements on RTA projects

The RTA Board has requested a discussion on the Small Business Enterprise (SBE) requirements being placed on projects by the implementing jurisdictions on RTA-funded projects. This request followed testimony from the Executive Director of the Tucson Utility Contractors Association regarding the difficulty in meeting bid requirements experienced by member contractors.

At their Oct. 21, 2011 meeting, the RTA TMC Policy Subcommittee voted unanimously to recommend that the RTA establish a maximum SBE goal of 10% on RTA-funded projects.

7. Acceleration of the Ruthrauff Interchange

The Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) is concluding the planning phase of the I-10, Ruthrauff to Ina, project. As a part of this project, the design team has recommended a project phasing approach that will accelerate the reconstruction of the Ruthrauff interchange from period 3 to the last 15 months of period 2, while also initiating the reconstruction of the Ina interchange within period 2.

8. Modern Streetcar Update

An update will be given on the project progress.

9. RTA Project Review Update – Silverbell Road Value Analysis & Valencia Road (Ajo – Mark) Value Analysis

As a result of the findings and recommendations of the RTA Board directed project review last year, the RTA Board approved five policy recommendations, including the development of a Value Analysis process for major RTA projects.

During the week of Sept. 17-21, the RTA conducted a Value Analysis (VA) for the Silverbell Road Corridor project. The project has an overall current cost estimated to be approximately \$197 million, which exceeds the identified funding by \$25.5 million. The VA team was charged with identifying \$25.5 million in cost savings. The Value Analysis process and findings will be presented.

The RTA also hosted a Value Analysis for Valencia Road, Ajo to Mark during the week of Oct. 7-10. (RTA #21). The project consists of three phases, with the combined projects estimated to exceed the RTA ballot identified funding by \$4.2 million. It should be noted that the committed funding includes over \$23 million of impact fee funding, most of which is presently unavailable. The Value Analysis process and findings will be presented.

Staff recommends RTA TMC Approval of the Silverbell Road and Valencia Road Value Analysis Reports.

10. RTA Utility Reimbursement Policy

At the last RTA TMC meeting, there was a request to place the topic of utility reimbursement on the next RTA TMC Agenda. The RTA Policies, Objectives and Procedures (POPs) allow for the reimbursement of utility relocation expenses, *only where required by law*. This Policy was most recently amended by the RTA Board in 2009.

11. Routes of Regional Significance

During the last RTA TMC meeting, the disposition of State Routes was discussed and the TMC Policy Subcommittee was directed to look into the matter further. The Policy Subcommittee recommends that a revised Routes of Regional Significance Plan be developed. The most recent Routes of Regional Significance Plan was developed in 2003, but was not approved by the PAG Regional Council.

12. RTA Progress Update

To-date, the RTA Board has programmed \$621 million in project funds. Four hundred fifty-two individual projects are now completed, with another 20 currently under construction. Several jurisdictional representatives will be present to answer specific questions.

13. Call to the Audience

Speakers are limited to a three-minute oral presentation and may submit written comments of any length for the Committee's files. Those wishing to address the Committee should complete a Citizen Information Card prior to the meeting being called to order, which will specify the topic to be addressed. The Committee will not discuss or take action on a matter raised during a call to the audience that is not already on the agenda.

14. Future Agenda Items

Committee members and staff will suggest items for future TMC meetings.

15. Adjournment

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