



**CITY OF SCOTTSDALE
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
PATHS & TRAILS SUBCOMMITTEE
AMENDED
Notice and Agenda**

Date: Tuesday, December 5, 2023

Time: 8:30 A.M.

Location: One Civic Center
Plan Review Conference Room
7447 E. Indian School Rd
Scottsdale, AZ 85251

AGENDA ITEM #3 ADDED

Call to Order

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| Kent B. Lall, Chair, Transportation Commission |
| Lee Kauftheil, Vice-Chair, Transportation Commission |
| Susan McGary -Commissioner, Parks and Recreation Commission |
| Kyle Davis, Subcommittee Member |
| Bradley Adame, Subcommittee Member |

One or more members of the Paths & Trails Subcommittee may be attending the meeting by telephone, video, or internet conferencing, pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431(4)

Public Comment

Spoken comments are being accepted on agendized and non-agendized items. To sign up to speak on these items [click here](#). Request to speak forms must be submitted no later than 90 minutes before the start of the meeting.

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However, Arizona State Law prohibits the Paths & Trails Subcommittee from discussing or taking action on an item that is not on the prepared agenda.

1. **Approval of Meeting Minutes****Action**
Approval of the Regular Meeting minutes of October 3, 2023

2. **Introduction of New Subcommittee Members**..... **Information**
Information on newly elected or appointed Paths and Trails Subcommittee Members including Commissioner Lee Kaufheil, Commissioner Susan McGary, and Subcommittee Member Bradley Adame

3. **Paths & Trails Subcommittee Meeting Time** **Discussion and Possible Action**
Review and discuss possibility of changing the Paths & Trails subcommittee start time from the morning to the evening – Paths & Trails Subcommittee Members

4. **League Cycling Instructor** **Information**
Information on the recent local League Cycling Instructor (LCI) training and an overview of the bike education program through the League of American Cyclists– Susan Conklu, Senior Transportation Planner

5. **Trail Maintenance Public Outreach Update**..... **Information**
Information on the Trail Maintenance Public Outreach Program – Greg Davies, Senior Transportation Planner

6. **Projects and Programs Update** **Information**
A continuing overview of Projects and Programs related to Paths and Trails – Greg Davies, Senior Transportation Planner and Nathan Domme, Transportation Planning Manager

7. **Subcommittee Identification of Future Agenda Items**.....**Discussion**
Subcommittee members may identify items or topics of interest for future Subcommittee meetings

8. **Adjournment**



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DRAFT SUMMARIZED MINUTES

CITY OF SCOTTSDALE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION PATHS & TRAILS SUBCOMMITTEE

**ONE CIVIC CENTER
AGAVE CONFERENCE ROOM
SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85251**

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2023

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Paths & Trails Subcommittee was called to order at 8:30 a.m. A formal roll call confirmed the presence of Subcommittee members as noted below.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Donald Anderson, Chair – Transportation Commission
Kyle Davis, Subcommittee Member
Maryann McAllen, Commissioner – Parks and Recreation Commission
Kent Lall, Commissioner – Transportation Commission
William Levie, Subcommittee Member

STAFF: Kyle Lofgren, Staff Coordinator
Nathan Domme, Transportation Planning Manager
Susan Conklu, Senior Transportation Planner
Mark Melnychenko, Transportation & Streets Director
Greg Davies, Senior Transportation Planner

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments.

1. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Chair Anderson called for modifications and approval of the minutes. Two corrections were made.

COMMISSIONER LALL MOVED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 1, 2023 MEETING AS AMENDED. COMMISSIONER MCALLEN SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH CARRIED 5-0 WITH CHAIR ANDERSON, COMMISSIONER MCALLEN, COMMISSIONER LALL AND SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBERS DAVIS AND LEVIE VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE WITH NO DISSENTING VOTES.

2. PROPOSED UPDATES TO BICYCLES AND RELATED DEVICES ORDINANCE

Susan Conklu, Senior Transportation Planner, provided a brief history of the device operation history in the City since fall of 2017. City Council adopted the current regulations on November 13th, 2018. City Council requested that staff provide a data report in the future, to consist of company and ridership statistics. Staff and the public were invited to report problems via ScottsdaleEZ. On January 19, 2021, staff provided City Council with proposed changes and updates. These included preclusion of sidewalk riding in the Transportation Safety Zone; usage times; parking of devices; permission of underage users; fees; tiered licensing structure.

Mayor and City Council input included the following:

- Concerns about restrictions in the Transportation Safety Zone
- Parking restrictions
- Hours of operation for rental devices
- Minimum age restrictions
- Council directed staff to revise proposed regulations and return in future

An overview of progress since that time includes:

- 2021 Transportation Commission and Paths & Trails Subcommittee update
- Regular meetings with device sharing companies and coordinating by email
- Evaluating operations and ScottsdaleEZ requests
- Listening to public feedback
- Monthly meeting with cities in region and Arizona State University
- Three companies operate in Scottsdale, two have plans to return
- Paths & Trails Subcommittee update February 7, 2023
- Transportation Commission update February 16, 2023

Completed short-term goals include:

- Website updated to educate the public on regulations
- Monthly meetings with companies and regular email communications
- Restricted areas map revised
- Temporary restrictions during “Super Season”
- Work with Police Department, staff, and the companies

There was discussion regarding some of the challenges with enforcement of use in the restricted areas. Staff is working to monitor and ensure that use lockdowns are occurring as required. The devices often warn users to avoid or vacate certain areas, however, the devices do not actually lock down use. It was discussed that stronger controls are required. In response to a question from Chair Anderson, Ms. Conklu confirmed that information signage on restricted uses has been posted.

Mid-term steps include:

- Device dashboard for City staff
 - Show locations of rental e-bikes and scooters in real time, by company and device type: Completed
 - Devices that are out of compliance: Completed
 - Automatic notifications through ScottsdaleEZ: In progress
- Public Outreach strategies: In progress

Long term steps in progress include:

- Work with city attorneys on code updates
 - Minor language updates to match the State of Arizona
 - Sidewalk riding restrictions in Old Town
 - Requiring parking in bike racks or designated areas
 - Draft Shared Mobility Device Provider Licensing Ordinance

Chair Anderson asked which other Valley communities require licensing. Ms. Conklu stated that Tempe requires licensing. Phoenix issued a request for proposals followed by an application process. Phoenix also has a limit to the number of companies permitted to operate. Gilbert requires a permit. Based on comparison, the fees proposed by Scottsdale are likely much too high. Fees should be realistic, but effective.

Next steps:

- Continue to monitor and evaluate the program
- Regularly meet and correspond with companies and other city staff
- Take further action or make additional recommendations to the Paths & Trails Subcommittee, Transportation Commission and City Council as needed

Commissioner McAllen cited the importance of education for private users, particularly of electric bikes, in terms of permissible use locations and other restrictions. Ms. Conklu agreed that a significant focus of the education needs to address private use. Commissioner McAllen inquired about which devices are currently allowed on City paths. Ms. Conklu stated that Class 1 and 2

are allowed on sidewalks and paths. Class 1 devices travel up to 20 miles per hour and are pedal assist. Class 2 are throttle on demand devices and up to 20 miles per hour. Class 3 are pedal assist and can travel up to 28 miles an hour. Consistent with state regulations, those devices are only allowed on streets.

In response to a question from Subcommittee Member Davis, Ms. Conklu confirmed that neither public or private electric bikes or scooters are allowed on the canal paths.

Kyle Lofgren, Staff Coordinator, noted that this item is identified as information with possible action. Chair Anderson asked for specificity on the possible action. Nathan Domme, Transportation Planning Manager, stated that the action would be approval to proceed with a new licensing ordinance to move forward with presentation to the Transportation Commission and City Council. Ms. Conklu added that the Subcommittee may choose to have staff proceed with composing the draft language and presenting it to the Subcommittee before presentation to other groups. Chair Anderson recommended proceeding in this manner.

COMMISSIONER MCALLEN MOVED TO HAVE STAFF CONTINUE TO DRAFT THE ORDINANCE UPDATE AND BRING IT BACK TO THE SUBCOMMITTEE PRIOR TO TAKING IT TO THE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION SOMETIME PRIOR TO 2024. SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBER LEVIE SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH CARRIED 5-0 WITH CHAIR ANDERSON, COMMISSIONER MCALLEN, COMMISSIONER LALL AND SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBERS DAVIS AND LEVIE VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE WITH NO DISSENTING VOTES.

3. NEIGHBORHOOD BIKEWAY PRIORITIZATION

Mr. Domme stated that this item was originally presented to the Subcommittee last fall. This was followed by presentation to the Transportation Commission. The prioritization and scoring were subsequently applied to the 16 bikeways in the Transportation Action Plan (TAP). The bikeways were identified on a City map, including potential extensions.

Prioritization is based on five key goals:

- Engineering Considerations
- Safety
- Connectivity
- Equity
- Demand

A review of ranked bikeways was provided:

1. 2nd Street: Indian Bend Wash to Crosscut Canal
2. Cholla Street: 89th Street to Via Linda
3. Glenrosa Street and 5th Avenue: Indian Bend Wash to Arizona Canal
4. 84th Street: Shea Boulevard to Thunderbird Road
5. Jackrabbit Road: Scottsdale Road to 87th Trail
6. 70th Street and Marshall Way

7. Sweetwater Avenue: 84th Street to Frank Lloyd Wright Boulevard
8. 90th Street: Shea Boulevard to Redfield Road
9. 104th Street: Shea Boulevard to Sweetwater Avenue
10. 110th Street: Mountain View to Frank Lloyd Wright Boulevard
11. Arabian Trail: Via Linda to Mountain View Road
12. 75th Street: 2nd to Camelback Road
13. 86th Street: Camelback Road to Lincoln Drive and potential extension
14. Chaparral Road: 64th Street to Arizona Canal
15. 74th Street: McKellips Road to Thomas Road and potential extension to Drinkwater
16. 70th Street: Continental Drive to 2nd Street

As indicated by the TAP, a neighborhood bikeway is intended for use by bicyclists with a wide range of abilities. A timeline for completion of the planned bikeways and project budgets was provided.

In response to a question from Commissioner Lall, Mr. Domme stated that while not a preferred method, shared lane markings (sharrows) are used in applicable locations, according to volume and speeds. These include neighborhood streets with very low volumes and speed limits of 25 miles per hour or less. Funding mechanisms were discussed.

SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBER LEVIE MOVED TO ACCEPT SCORING AND APPROVAL OF THE WORK PLAN GOING FORWARD. SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBER DAVIS SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH CARRIED 5-0 WITH CHAIR ANDERSON, COMMISSIONER MCALLEN, COMMISSIONER LALL AND SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBERS DAVIS AND LEVIE VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE WITH NO DISSENTING VOTES.

4. OTHER TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS AND PROGRAM STATUS

Mr. Domme and Mr. Davies provided an update on various projects and program status:

- 68th Street
- 124th Street and Shea underpass
- 68th Street/Indian School and Thomas
- 64th Street Crossing Study at Thomas and Indian School
- CAP and Under Street Path Study
- 2nd Street Neighborhood Bikeway Study
- Strategic Transportation Safety Plan
- Workforce safety in right-of-way
- 78th Street and Lincoln resident request for rusted gate and bollard repairs
- Trail maintenance outreach program

5. SUBCOMMITTEE IDENTIFICATION OF FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

The following topics were identified for future agenda items:

- Trail maintenance public outreach program
- Path and trail gap analysis
- Bike events and education for schools
- Wayfinding signage
- Update on Bicycle Friendly Community application
- Parks and recreation master plan

Chair Anderson announced that this was his last meeting. He thanked staff for their work and support. Subcommittee Member Levie added that he is also terming out and this is his last meeting.

6. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, being duly moved by Commissioner McAllen and seconded by Subcommittee Member Levie, the meeting adjourned at 10:23 a.m.

AYES: Chair Anderson, Commissioners Lall and McAllen, Subcommittee Members Davis and Levie

NAYS: None

SUBMITTED BY:
eScribers, LLC

SCOTTSDALE PATHS & TRAILS SUBCOMMITTEE REPORT

To: Paths & Trails Subcommittee
From: Susan Conklu, Senior Transportation Planner
Subject: League Cycling Instructor
Meeting Date: December 5, 2023



ITEM IN BRIEF

Action:

Presentation and Discussion

Background:

The League of American Wheelmen, now the League of American Bicyclists, was founded in 1880 and advocated to get the first paved roads for bicyclists. Today, the League continues to make biking better through their mission to promote bicycling for fun, fitness and transportation through advocacy and education to build a bicycle-friendly America for everyone.

As host of the annual National Bike Summit, the League takes a leadership role in bringing the interests of people who ride bikes to Congress and the Federal government. This helps empower state and local affiliates to advocate effectively on issues that affect cyclists.

The League's Bicycle Friendly America program provides the framework, technical resources and best practices for communities, businesses, universities, and states seeking to encourage bicycle use and improve traffic safety.

Teaching bicycling skills and building the confidence of riders, both new and experienced, has been a core activity of the League since the 1970s. Virtually every state and local bicycling education program can trace its roots directly back to the League's program, called Smart Cycling. The education programs are designed to reach people of all ages and abilities by improving skills, building confidence and training others to be teachers in their own communities. This includes videos, group classes and one-on-one lessons.

League Cycling Instructors (LCIs) are ambassadors for better biking through their education efforts. After earning certification through a three-day, League Coach-led seminar, LCIs can teach a variety of Smart Cycling classes to children as well as adults, helping them feel more confident and secure about riding. The League has certified more than 7,000 people as League Cycling Instructors. The education opportunities include:

- Youth focused classes such as Bike Rodeos, Helmet Your Head and bicycle maintenance.
 - At the community level this begins with bicycle-safety education being a routine part of public education as part of a Safe Routes to School program.
- Bicycle Friendly Driver curriculum to educate people who bike and drive how to safely and legally share the road.
- Public education campaigns that promote the Share the Road message, to make motorists and cyclists aware of their rights and responsibilities on the road.
- Options for adults looking to improve their biking skills with everything from online tips to brown bag lunch presentations and in-depth on-bike training opportunities.

Local LCI Training:

Eight students attended the LCI training October 20-22, 2023 hosted by Phoenix Metro Bicycle Club, Tempe Bicycle Action Group, and Three Feet, Please! The training was taught by Jim Harms, a League-coach and LCI from Tucson. The weekend included classroom curriculum and training on the bike such as parking lot drills and group rides. Students were required to take the two-day Smart Cycling Class first, which was completed in May 2023.

Each LCI has access to League curriculum, resources, and insurance to utilize in the classes. Instructors can also connect through a Google group to assist each other in classes and stay updated on events and news.

Next Steps:

Staff will evaluate education opportunities for Scottsdale youth and adults, then create an education plan. Classes will be promoted online, through social media, and in the Leisure Education catalog. These offerings will also provide continuing education for the LCIs, which are required to complete at least 12 hours per year.

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League Cycling Instructor

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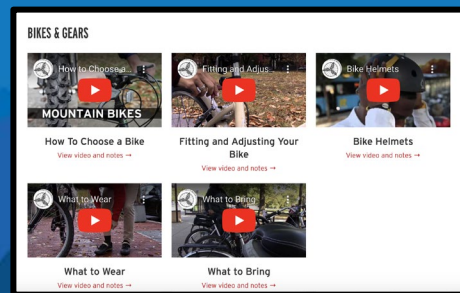
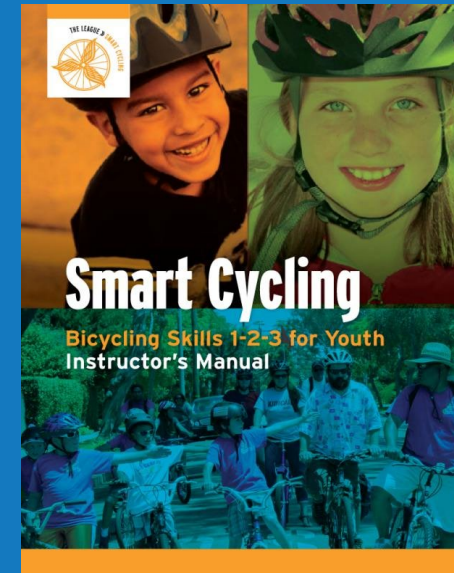
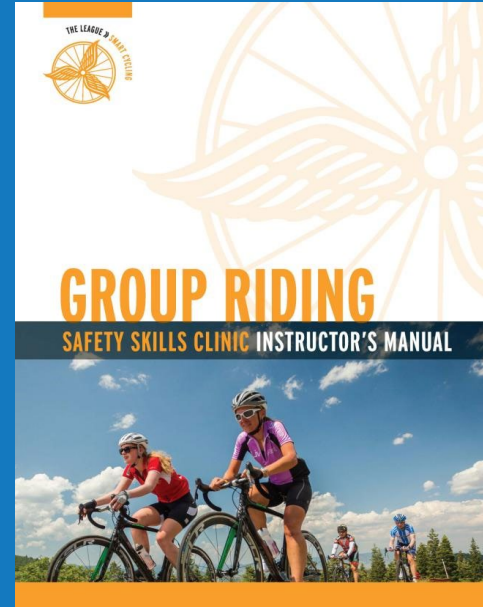
Background

- The League of American Bicyclists
 - National Bike Summit - advocacy
 - Bicycle Friendly America program — resources and best practices
 - Smart Cycling - education



League Cycling Instructors (LCIs)

- Better biking through education



League Cycling Instructors Training

- Three-day training taught by a League Coach
- Classroom and on-the-bike riding skills



Bicycle Safety Education for Communities

- Youth: Safe Routes to School program, Bike Rodeos, Helmet Your Head and bicycle maintenance
- Bicycle Friendly Driver curriculum
- Public education campaigns that promote the Share the Road message, to make motorists and cyclists aware of their rights and responsibilities on the road.
- Options for adults- online tips, brown bag lunch presentations and in-depth on-bike training opportunities.



Next Steps

- Evaluate education opportunities for Scottsdale youth and adults
- Promote the classes
 - Online
 - Social Media
 - Scottsdale Leisure Education catalog
- LCI Continuing Education — 12 hours per year

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Discussion

SCOTTSDALE PATHS & TRAILS SUBCOMMITTEE REPORT



To: Paths & Trails Subcommittee
From: Greg Davies, Senior Transportation Planner
Subject: Trail Maintenance Outreach Program
Meeting Date: December 5, 2023

ITEM IN BRIEF

Action: Presentation and discussion

Purpose:

Provide information on the trail maintenance outreach program.

Background:

In December 2020 Transportation & Streets staff began to develop a program to educate the public on the importance of the neighborhood trail system and maintenance responsibilities. Since December 2020 staff has provided several updates to the Paths & Trails Subcommittee and integrated feedback from the subcommittee to develop a comprehensive program. In the development phase, staff also reached out to the Neighborhood Advisory Commission and Parks and Recreation Commission in October-November 2022 to provide an overview of the intent of the program, discuss other components of the neighborhood trail system, and solicit feedback.

The city currently has approximately 160 miles of unpaved trails outside the McDowell Sonoran Preserve. Many of these trails are well maintained but there are locations where vegetative growth has overtaken the trail. Since many of these trails are more than 25 years old, maintenance is critical to keep the system intact. Locations that need immediate attention were identified in the last trail inventory which was completed in July 2022.

Trails exist in city right-of-way or on easements dedicated to the city on private property. In some locations, properties that hold public easements are owned by homeowner associations while others are owned by individual property owners.

An analysis completed in January 2023 of parcels adjacent to trails identified the number of parcels and the percentage of trail mileage that is adjacent to homeowner associations or commercial properties (63%), individual property owners (21%) or public agency/city-owned properties (16%).

The maintenance of neighborhood trails is not only ordinance driven but also driven by policy. As is the case with sidewalks, maintenance of trails is the responsibility of the adjacent property owner, per Scottsdale Revised Code, Chapter 47. Section 47-47 states, "The owner of property adjacent to the right-of-way shall conduct routine property maintenance to keep the property and adjacent right-of-way in an orderly and safe condition."

The Transportation Action Plan (TAP), adopted by City Council on April 26, 2022, identifies the following goal and policies related to trail maintenance.

Trail Element Goal (TR-05)

Educate the public about easements and maintenance responsibilities associated with the trail network.

Trail Element Policy (TR-02)

Trail obstruction: Coordinate with landowners regarding obstruction removal and require trail realignment by landowner, if necessary.

Update:

In the past year Transportation & Streets planning staff collaborated with our department's public information officer, and staff representatives from Citizen Services, Code Enforcement and Communications to finalize a communication plan encompassing resources from the participating departments. The communication plan has a three-pronged approach:

- City Website
- Social Media/Other Outlets
- Trail Maintenance Pilot Program

City Website

The city's website is the most prominent component of the trail maintenance outreach program. An extensive amount of information can be provided on the web to educate the public about the city's neighborhood trail system and maintenance responsibilities. Currently, residents can access information about Paths & Trails through the Transportation & Streets landing web page. On the Paths & Trails web page, trail etiquette and maintenance are identified as a resource providing a link to the Trail Maintenance web page.

Trail Maintenance web page was published with information on maintenance responsibilities, a link to the ScottsdaleEZ form, and a link to the interactive Public Amenities Map so citizens can look up their property and view trail locations. Additional resources include links to Scottsdale Revised Code, Chapter 47, and the city's Code Enforcement web page. The ScottsdaleEZ link is critical because it allows the user to directly connect to the ScottsdaleEZ platform and report a path, trail, or sidewalk obstructions. All ScottsdaleEZ submissions are sent to Code Enforcement and Transportation Planning staff.

Trail Maintenance web page:

<https://www.scottsdaleaz.gov/transportation/paths-trails/trail-maintenance>

Request maintenance or report a trail issue web page:

[City of Scottsdale - Submit Request \(scottsdaleaz.gov\)](https://www.scottsdaleaz.gov/submit-request)

Social Media/Other Outlets

The following campaign message points were posted on all social media platforms in October 2023.

- Cooler weather | Time to enjoy the city's 160 miles of unpaved trails
- Record breaking heat | Request removal or (or remove) dead vegetation from trails
- ScottsdaleEZ | Submit a trail in need of maintenance request
- Fall activities and entertaining | Add trail maintenance on your outdoor space To Do list

This messaging was shared on the city's social media channels: Facebook, Twitter, and Next Door, these posts provided a link to the Paths & Trail web page. In addition, this messaging was provided in the weekly Scottsdale Update e-newsletter (12,500 subscribers).

Trail Maintenance Pilot Program

In the effort to educate private property owners on trail maintenance responsibilities, the city launched a pilot program in early October 2023, and targeted property owners in a quadrant bordered by Cactus Road on the north, Shea Boulevard on the south, Miller Road on the east and Scottsdale Road on the west. A total of (19) property owners were sent a certified packet that included a letter requesting the required trail maintenance, a detailed map (including a photo) of the identified location, and a trail maintenance questionnaire.

The city received nine return to sender packets to date, but of the remaining ten properties, seven met the compliance requirement. Only one questionnaire has been received to date. All property locations were inspected by Planning staff on November 16, 2023.

Next Steps:

Trails maintained by the city will be an ongoing effort. A full-time employee was approved in the FY 23/24 budget to assist in the maintenance of 25 miles of existing unpaved trails. This fall, Transportation & Streets will coordinate with a city trail contractor to conduct maintenance on city-maintained trails that need immediate attention.

Targeted outreach to HOAs and commercial property owners will take place winter 2024 and Staff will continue sending issues to Code Enforcement as needed.

Other outreach ideas will be explored by staff such as, an information video that can be posted on the Trail Maintenance webpage, Scottsdale Video Network and Scottsdale YouTube channels.

Staff will also explore neighborhood trail cleanup opportunities that can be coordinated with Citizen Services programs and events. These include Operation Fix It, October's National Make a Difference Day, and Earth Day events in April.

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Trail Maintenance Outreach Program

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Trail Maintenance Program Update

- Initiated in December 2020
- 3 Additional Presentations to Paths & Trails Sub Committee for Feedback
 - April 2021 Meeting
 - June 2022 Meeting
 - February 2023 Meeting
- Reached out to Other City Commissions
- System Consists of 160 Miles of Existing Trails
- Trails Located in ROW and Easements
- Maintenance is Key to Keep System Intact
- Maintenance Driven by Municipal Code and Adopted Policies

Trail Maintenance Program Update

Trail Maintenance Program – Communication Plan

- Three-Pronged Approach
 - ❖ City Website
 - ❖ Social Media/Other Outlets
 - ❖ Trail Maintenance Pilot Program

Trail Maintenance Program Update

Communication Plan

City Website

- ❖ Most Effective Platform to Reach Public
 - Transportation & Streets Landing Web Page
 - Paths & Trails Web Page
 - Trail Etiquette
 - Trail Maintenance Responsibilities
 - Link to Trail Maintenance Web Page

Trail Maintenance Program Update

Communication Plan

[Home Page](#) / [Transportation & Streets News](#)

Transportation & Streets News

City Opens New Pedestrian Underpass - The city's newest pedestrian underpass at Shea Blvd. and 124th St. is now open to bike riders, pedestrians, and equestrians. The tunnel connects two segments of the Mountain View Trail: the McDowell Sonoran Preserve to the north and the Central Arizona Project Canal in the south.

Shea Blvd. Paving Project Completed Ahead of Schedule - Transportation & Streets crews wrapped up work on the Shea Blvd. paving project five days ahead of schedule. Crews removed or 'milled' 1 ¾ inches of old asphalt from Shea Blvd. and applied a new hot mix asphalt "overlay" to the roadway.

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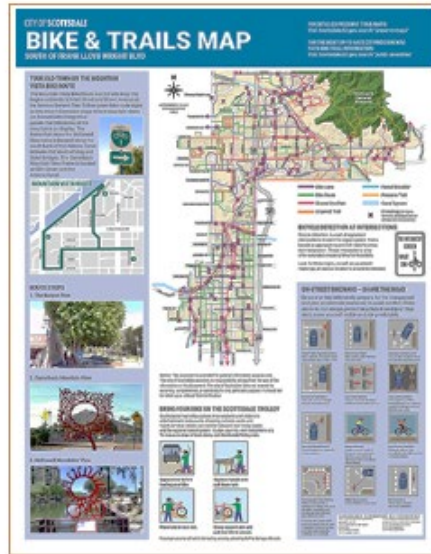
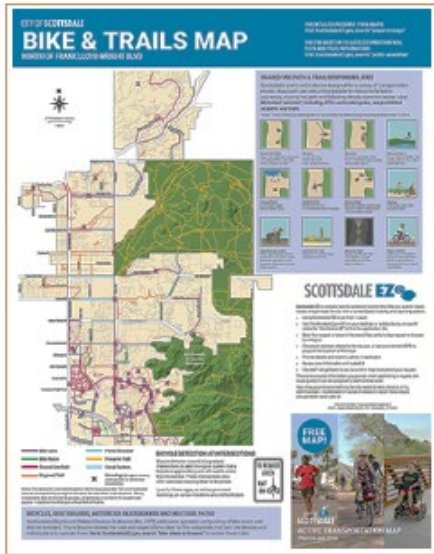
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Paths & Trails

MAP & RESOURCES



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Bike Resources

[Bicycle and Related Devices Ordinance](#)

[Maricopa Association of Governments
Bikeways Map](#)

NEIGHBORHOOD TRAIL SYSTEM

Scottsdale's neighborhood trail system provides valuable recreation and transportation opportunities for city residents and visitors. The city's unpaved trail system connects equestrians, hikers and bicyclists to schools, neighborhoods, city parks, and McDowell Sonoran Preserve trailheads. The city has 160 miles of unpaved trails with an additional 150 miles of trailways planned for future construction.

List of Unpaved Trails:

- Florence Ely Nelson Desert Park - a desert botanical nature trail
- George "Doc" Cavaliere Park - a ¾ mile loop trail
- Mescal Park - a 1 mile loop trail for hikers and horseback riders
- Nature Park - a nature trail that runs along the Arizona Canal
- Stonegate Equestrian Park - a nature trail

Trail Resources

[Scottsdale's McDowell Sonoran Preserve](#)

Trail Etiquette and Maintenance

Scottsdale residents and visitors use the city's trail system for the same reason - to enjoy the outdoors and beauty of the Sonoran desert. Please help the city maintain our trail system by obeying all signs and acting responsibly when traveling on the trails.

The universal rule of trail courtesy is for all trail users to yield the right-of-way to horses, and for bicycle riders to yield to all other types of users. When approaching a person on horseback, speak in a soft voice to alert the horse and rider of your presence.

You can be fined up to \$250 for driving a motorized vehicle on an unpaved trail in the city of Scottsdale. The city prohibits the use of motorized vehicles, including ATVs and motorcycles, on Scottsdale's trails and in the McDowell Sonoran Preserve.

Maintenance

Information on Trail Maintenance, Property Owner Responsibility and to Request Maintenance or Report a Trail Issue can be found on the Trail Maintenance page.

[Trail Maintenance](#)



Trail Maintenance Program Update

Communication Plan

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Trail Maintenance

TRAIL OVERVIEW

Scottsdale's neighborhood trail system provides valuable recreation and transportation opportunities for city residents and visitors. Our unpaved trails serve as transportation links between schools, neighborhoods, McDowell Sonoran Preserve trailheads, parks, places of employment and other areas of interest. Trails are a place for residents and visitors to spend time with friends and family in the beautiful Sonoran Desert in a peaceful and protected setting.

Scottsdale has 160 miles of trails with an additional 150 miles of trailways planned for future construction. Oversight of neighborhood trails is the responsibility of the city's Transportation and Streets Department. Trails exist in city right-of-way or on easements dedicated to the city on private property. In some locations, properties that hold public easements are owned by homeowners associations while others are owned by individual property owners; maintenance of these trails is the responsibility of the adjacent property owners.

TRAIL MAINTENANCE



Maintenance of a city trail is a lot like maintenance of a city sidewalk. Most Scottsdale property owners already maintain the public right-of-way in front of their home.

Most of Scottsdale's trails are regularly maintained and are kept in good condition however, some trails require maintenances. The city finds out about trails in need of maintenance a variety of ways including routine trail inspections by Transportation and Streets and Code Enforcement staff and citizen reports of unkept trails via Scottsdale EZ.

[Request Maintenance or Report a Trail Issue](#)

PROPERTY OWNER RESPONSIBILITY

Contact Information

Path & Trails

7447 E. Indian School Rd., Suite 205
Scottsdale, AZ 85251
P: 480-312-7250

Resources

Paths & Trails

[Municode: Section 47.47 - Right-of-way maintenance](#)

[Code Enforcement](#)

[Scottsdale Public Amenities Map](#)

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Path, Trail or Sidewalk Obstructions

Step 1 - Details and Location

Details (* = required)

Please note: Maintenance of trails and sidewalks are the responsibility of the adjacent property owner, per Scottsdale Revised Code, Chapter 47, which states "The owner of property adjacent to the right-of-way shall conduct routine property maintenance to keep the property and adjacent right-of-way in an orderly and safe condition." Section 47-47 also states, "The owner of property adjacent to the right-of-way shall maintain the property so that it does not interfere with public uses of the right-of-way."

Obstructed Area

Select ...

Item causing obstruction

Plant growth Debris Signage Vehicle Structure Erosion

Once a case has been reviewed and closed, you will be notified via an emailed survey thus indicating your complaint has been handled by Code Enforcement staff. After receipt of closure, if you need additional information about the case, please contact Code Enforcement at 480-312-2546.

You may also view the status of your case as well as find additional information at [My Neighborhood](#).

Would you like a member of our staff to contact you directly?

No

Description / Notes

Location of Obstruction (* = required)

Address **Intersection** **Map / GPS**

Start typing a partial address and select the appropriate item from the drop down list. Street names for addresses outside of the Scottsdale city limits need to be entered completely - no partial matches.

Address

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eServices EZ has assigned service request [648297](#) to Code Enforcement Email.

Request Details

| | | | |
|---------------|---|-------------|------------------|
| Request Id: | 648297 | Workgroup: | Code Enforcement |
| Request Type: | Path, trail or Sidewalk Obstructions | Status: | Open |
| Address: | Map: 9916 N 124TH ST | Priority: | Not Specified |
| Description: | There are overgrown shrubs and palo verde trees that obstruct the multi-use path that is on a trail that is on an easement behind 3 properties off of 124th street and mountain view rd, see pics | | Location Notes: |
| Assigned To: | Code Enforcement Email | Created By: | eServices EZ |
| Zip Code: | 85259 | Closed By: | |
| Work Order: | | | |

Request Fields

| | |
|--|---|
| Obstructed Area: | Unpaved Trail outside the McDowell Sonoran Preserve |
| Item causing obstruction: | Plant growth, Erosion |
| Would you like a member of our staff to contact you directly?: | Yes |
| How would you like to be notified?: | Via Email |



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Social Media/Other Outlets

- ❖ Messaging Campaign – Apps/News Resources
 - Facebook, Twitter, YouTube Posts
 - Water Bill Insert
 - Scottsdale Update Newsletter
 - Next Door (Neighborhood App)

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Trail Maintenance Pilot Program

- Launched October 2023
- Identified (19) residential locations
- Residents received letter, map and questionnaire
- Received (7) Return to Sender 
- Remaining (10) – (7) in Compliance (70%)

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Transportation & Streets Department
7447 E. Indian School Rd. | Scottsdale, AZ 85281
PHONE: 480-312-7829 | E-Mail: GDavies@ScottsdaleAZ.gov

October 5, 2023

Jonathan D. & Megan Zimmerman
10634 N. Sundown Dr.
Scottsdale, AZ 85260

Re: 10634 N. SUNDOWN DR., SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85260

Dear Jonathan & Megan,

The purpose of this letter is to notify you that a section of unpaved trail on your property requires maintenance. Just like city sidewalks, trails are in the public right of way, and their upkeep is the responsibility of the adjacent property owner. For a link to the related city codes, and complete information about trail use and maintenance, visit ScottsdaleAZ.gov and search "Trail Maintenance".

We have enclosed a map of the trail location on your property, and an explanation of the required maintenance. Routine maintenance of the city's trail system typically includes:

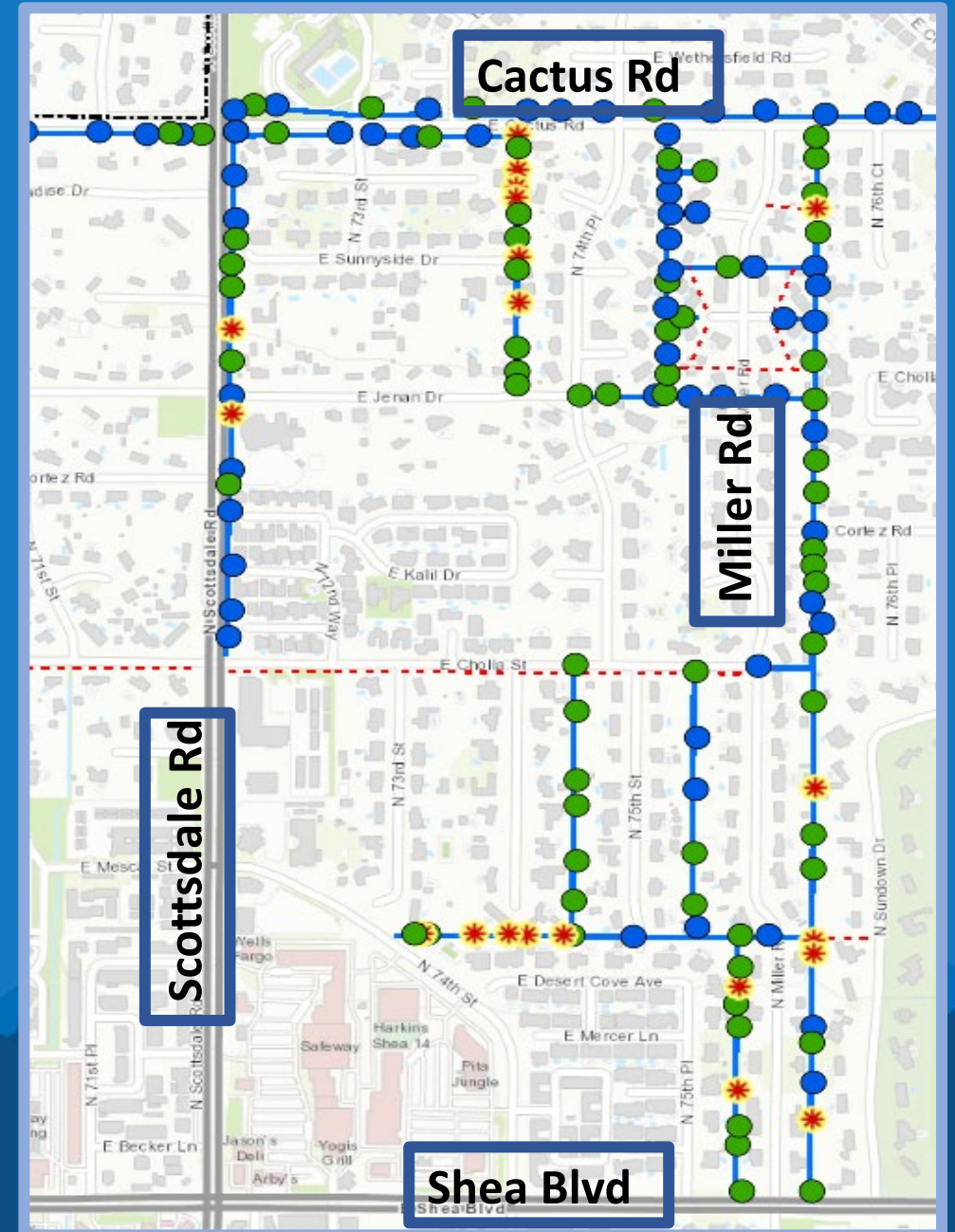
- Maintaining the trail width
- Trimming plants and trees
 - Shrubs should be trimmed to allow a two-foot side clearance from trail edges
 - Trees should be trimmed to allow a ten-foot height clearance above the trail
- Removing thorny or spiny plants within three feet of trail edges
- Removing weeds and invasive grasses
- Removing litter and debris

Please arrange for your trail to be restored to good condition no later than November 6. A follow-up inspection of your trail is scheduled for the week of November 9; if your trail has not been improved by this time the concern will be elevated to the Code Enforcement Department and you may be subject to notice(s) and/or fines.

Thank you for your assistance and work towards restoring the section of unpaved trail adjacent to your property. We welcome your feedback on the city's trail maintenance program and hope you will take a few minutes to complete and return the enclosed questionnaire. Please contact me if you are unable to meet this deadline, have questions about the city's trail system, or would like to schedule an on-site meeting with city staff.

Sincerely,

Greg Davies
Senior Transportation Planner
GDavies@ScottsdaleAZ.gov
480-312-7829



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10634 N Sundown Dr

- Reestablish trail by removing weeds and invasive grasses
- Trim shrubs to allow a two-foot side clearance from trail edges if trail edge is not bordered by a wall or fence
- Trim trees to allow a ten-foot height clearance
- Remove thorny or spiny plants within three feet of trail edge if trail edge is not bordered by a wall or fence
- Remove litter and debris

Trail Maintenance Questionnaire



- Prior to receiving this mailing, did you know that you are responsible for the maintenance of the unpaved trail on your property?
 - Yes
 - No
- If you answered yes to the first question, when did you learn that trail maintenance was your responsibility?

- Do you use the city's unpaved trail system for recreation? If so, in what capacity (walking, biking or on horseback) and how often?
 - Yes _____
 - No _____
- Did the enclosed letter and property map provide enough information / direction for you complete the required trail maintenance on your property?
 - Yes
 - No
- Did you visit the city's trail maintenance webpage? If so, was the information on the webpage helpful?
 - Yes _____
 - No _____
- Will completing the maintenance on the trail cause you a financial or physical hardship? If so, are you interested in finding out about city resources to assist you with trail maintenance?
 - Yes _____
 - No _____
- Do you know how to report concerns regarding trail maintenance to the city?
 - Yes
 - No
- Please provide additional information or comments that would help improve the city's Trail Maintenance Outreach program and property owner notification process.

Please return the completed questionnaire by July 17, 2023

City of Scottsdale Transportation & Streets Department
 Attn: Greg Davies
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OR

Via email to GDavies@ScottsdaleAZ.gov

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COMPLIANCE



NON-COMPLIANCE



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Next Steps:

- Continue Effort Maintaining City-Owned Trails
- Utilize City Trail Contractor to Maintain Hot Spots
- Continue Trail Maintenance Pilot Program – HOAs/Commercial – Winter 2024
- Send issues to Code Enforcement as needed
- Explore Creation of Information Video
- Explore Neighborhood Cleanup Opportunities



Questions



Paths and Trails Projects and Programs

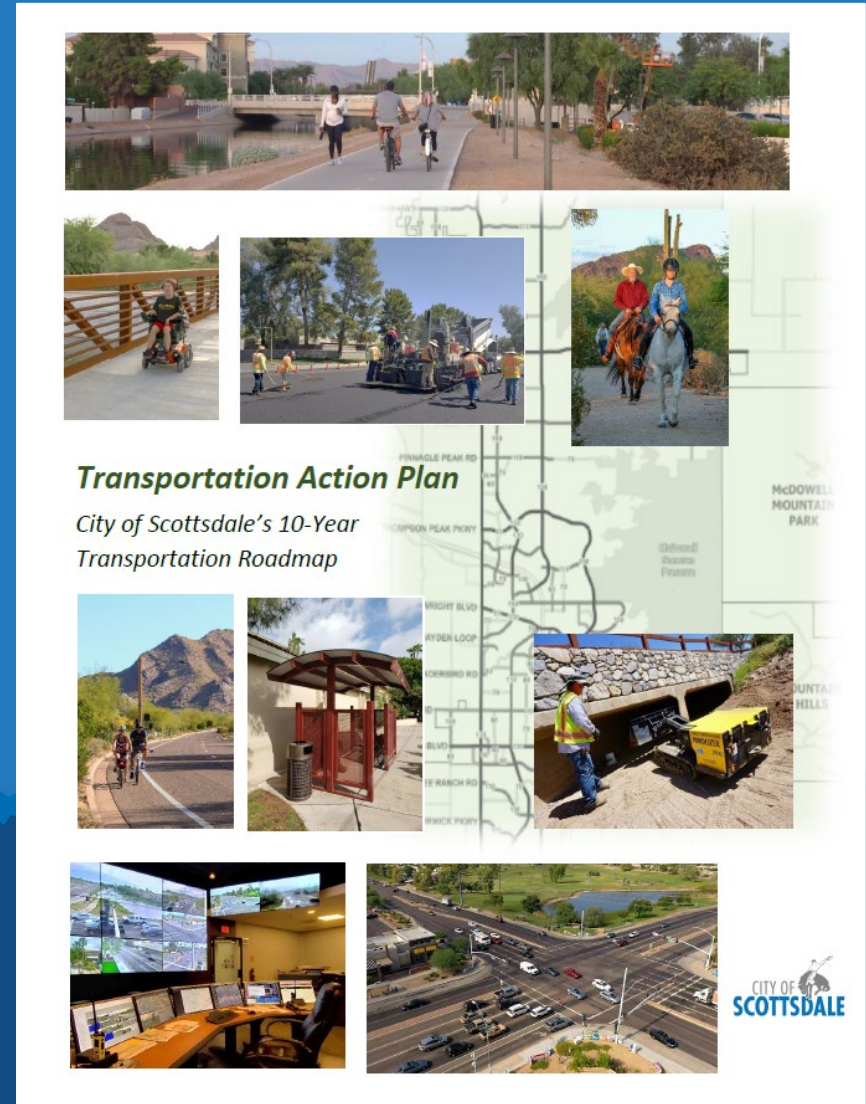
December 5, 2023

Top 3 Goals of the Transportation Action Plan

(Adopted April 2022)

The TAP is building on to over 20 years of transportation planning and engineering in the City of Scottsdale

- Prioritize people, safety and livability over motor vehicles and travel speed
- Improve accessibility for all types of transportation and transportation users
- Promote active and healthy living



Department Goals

- Mitchell St – Arlington TX

- 4 lanes
- No bike and ped amenities
- 8,822 vehicles a day



- Cactus Rd – Scottsdale AZ

- 2 lanes
- Multiuse Path
- Roundabouts
- 8,400 vehicles a day



Complete Streets Policy

(Adopted 2008)

Provide sufficient right-of-way and design, operate, and maintain Scottsdale's streets to promote safe and convenient access and travel for users of all types: pedestrians; mobility assisted; bicyclists; transit vehicles and riders; equestrians; cars; and trucks.

90th Street between Cactus and Sweetwater



Enhanced Pedestrian Crossings

Develop and use the Guidelines to Identify Pedestrian Crossing Treatments to support grade separations, pedestrian signals and other crossing enhancements.

Bridges



Underpasses

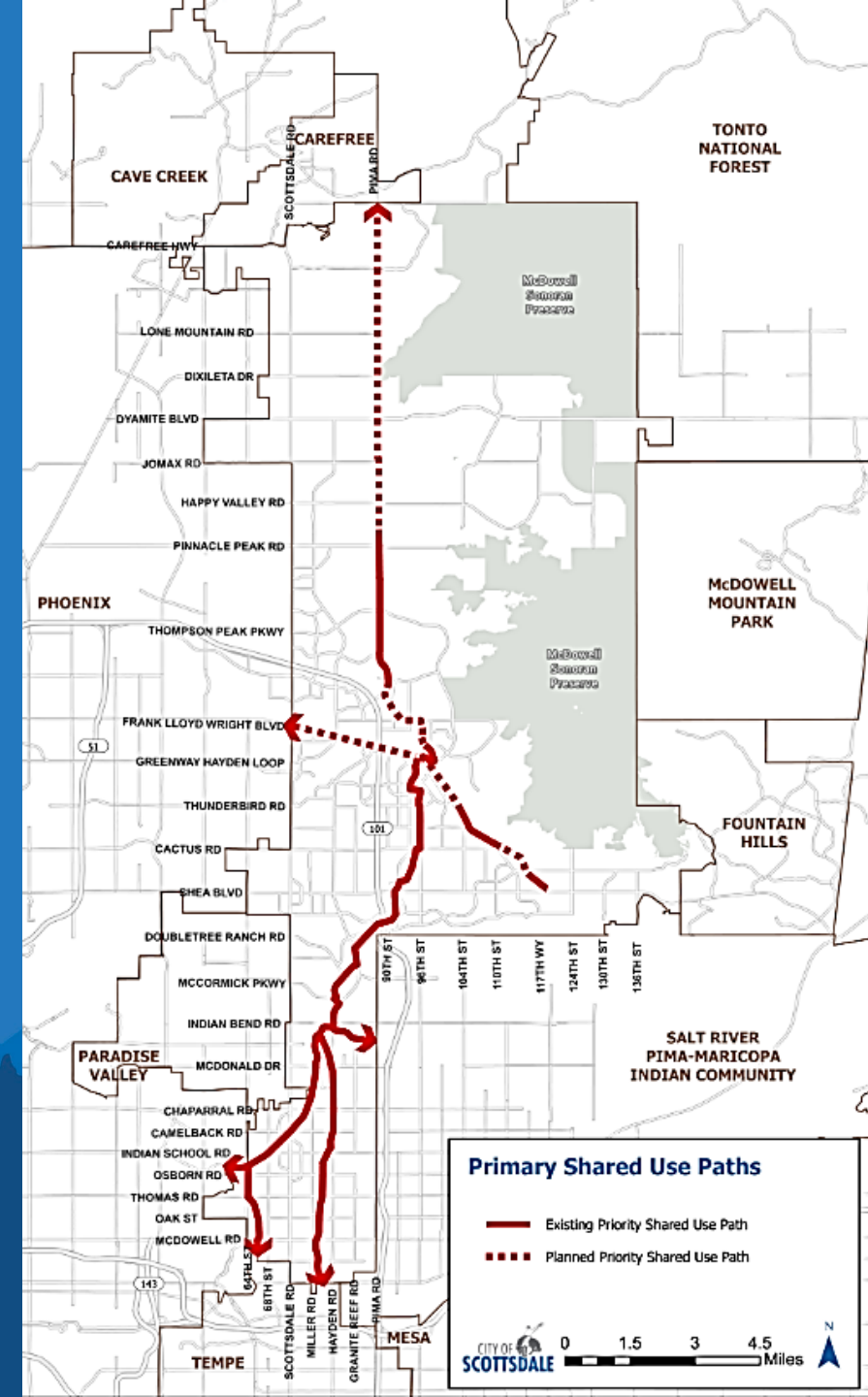


Tunnels



A Construction Priority

Completion and renovation of the three primary shared use paths (Arizona Canal/Crosscut Canal, Central Arizona Project Canal and Indian Bend Wash), followed by other paths that improve regional connectivity, will be prioritized for use of capital improvement funds and grant requests. Side paths next to streets should be incorporated into improvement plans for collector and arterial streets.



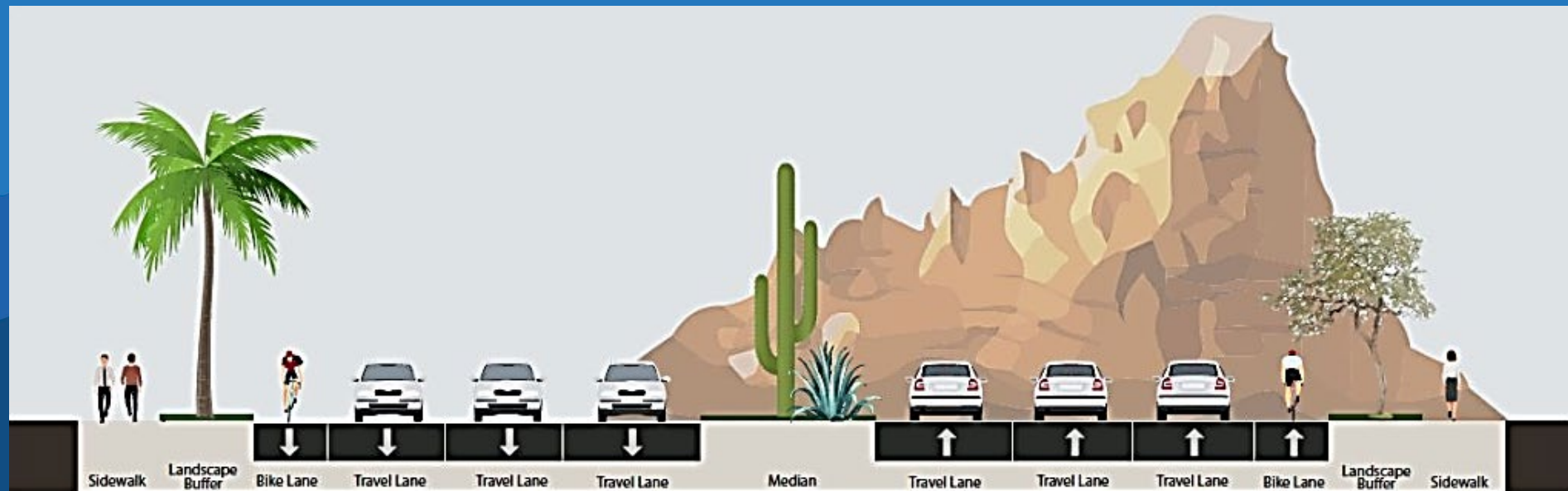
Future Complete Streets Projects

ALCP Projects

- Scottsdale Rd: Jomax to Dixileta – Moving to Construction
- Pima Rd: McKellips to Via Linda – Moving to Construction
- Pima Pinnacle Peak Rd to Happy Valley Rd – In Construction

CIP Project

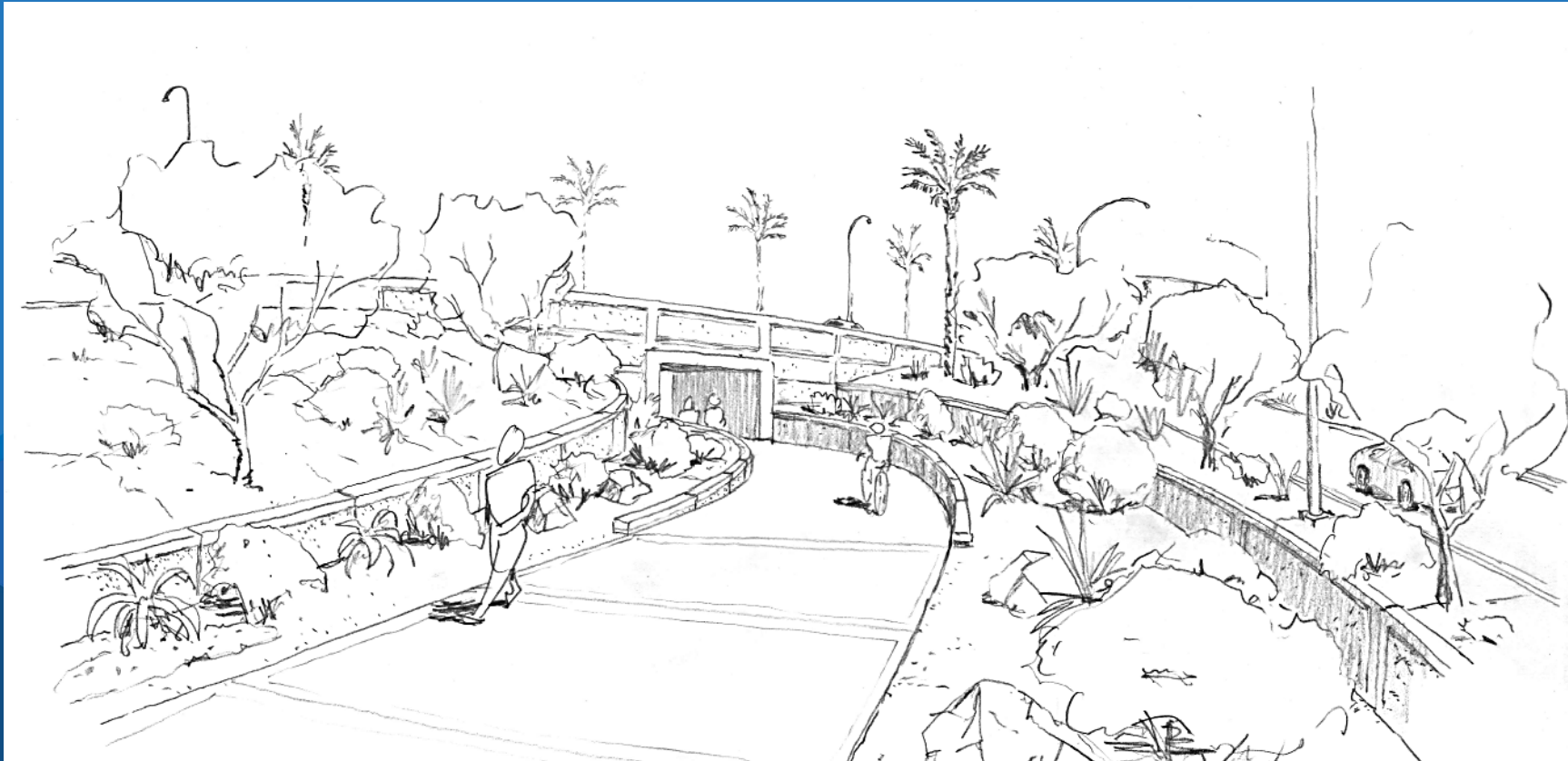
- 68th St: Thomas Rd to Indian Bend – Completed
- 68th St: Arizona Canal to Camelback Road – In design



Future Enhanced Crossing Projects

- Chaparral Underpass along IBW
- Underpass at Goldwater Blvd and Scottsdale Rd

Goldwater Underpass Design Concept



Future Multiuse Projects

- Indian Bend Wash Path Renovation – Phase 1
- Indian Bend Wash Path Renovation – Phase 2
- Central Arizona Project Canal Path



Indian Bend
Wash north of
McCormick Pkwy

Indian Bend Wash Phase 1

Remove one mile of 40-year-old concrete path and replace with current standards (10' to 12').

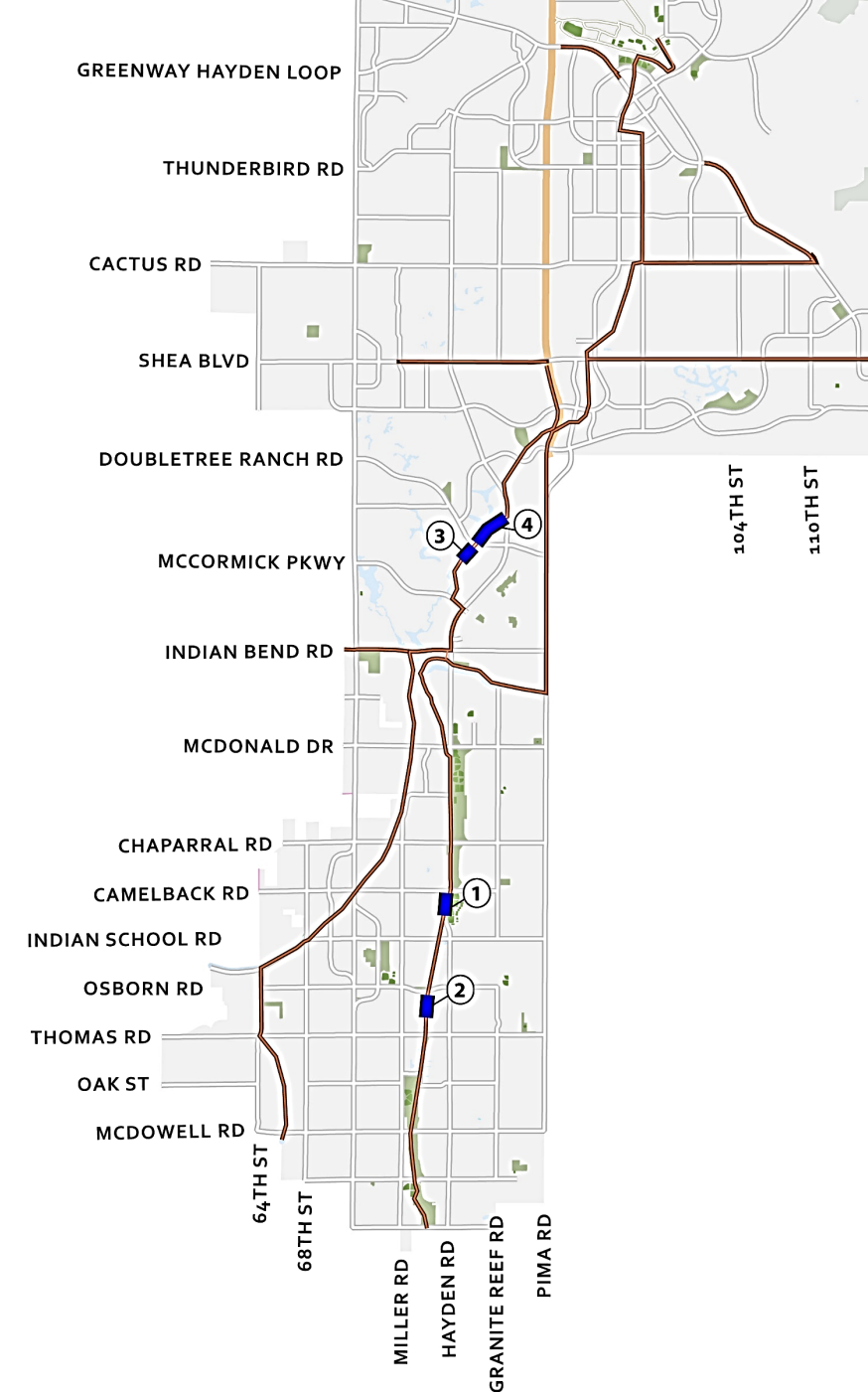
1. Camelback to Glenrosa – Construction Completed Sept. 2022
2. Earll Drive to Osborn Road bridge – Construction in Summer
3. South of Via de Ventura (approximately 850 feet) – Design is complete
4. Via de Ventura to Hayden Road – Design is complete



Camelback to Glenrosa - Before



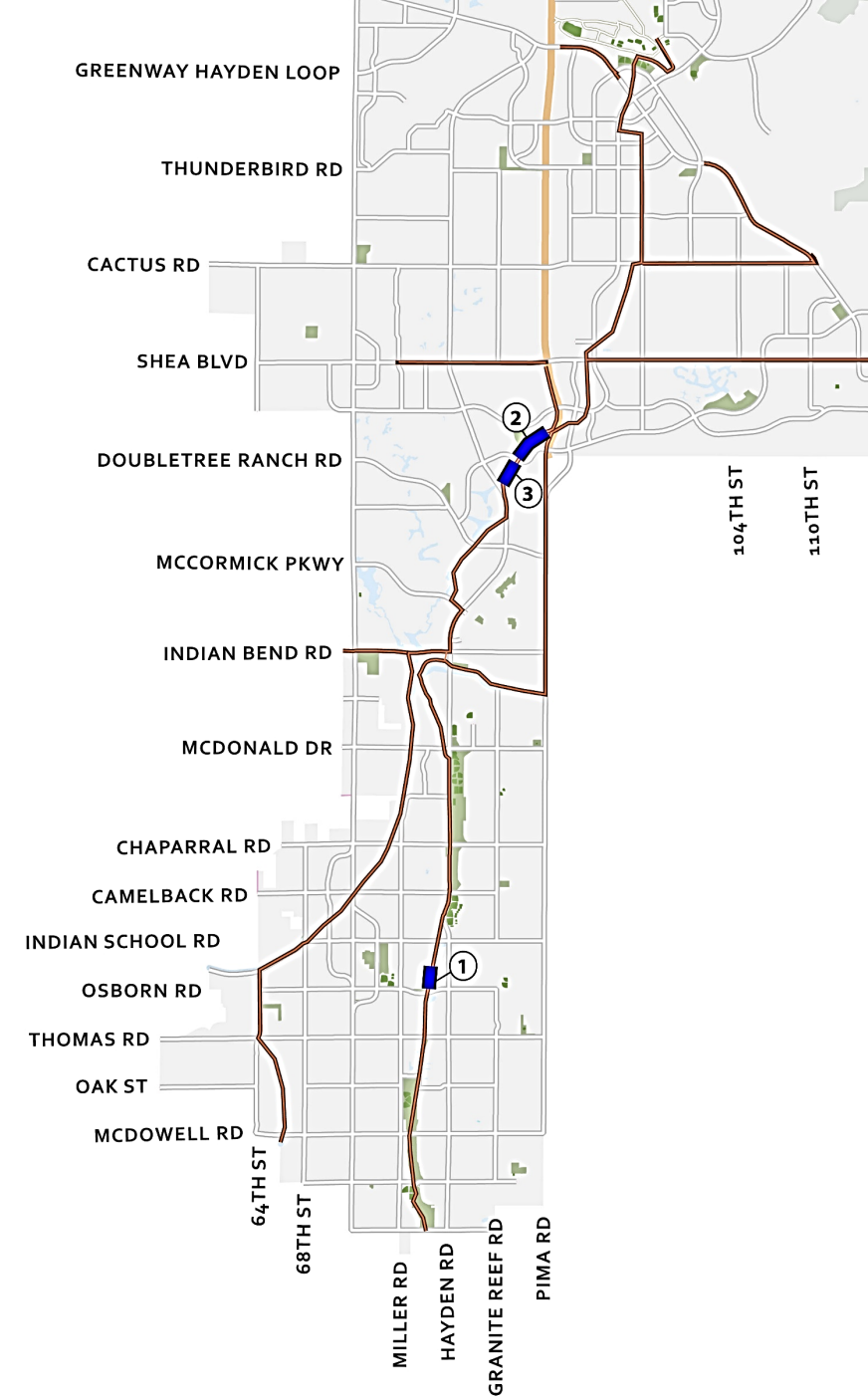
Camelback to Glenrosa - After



Indian Bend Wash Phase 2

Remove one mile of 40-year-old concrete path and replace with current standards 10' to 12'.

1. Osborn Park to north of 3rd Street
2. Via Linda to Pima Path Junction
3. Hayden Road to Via Linda

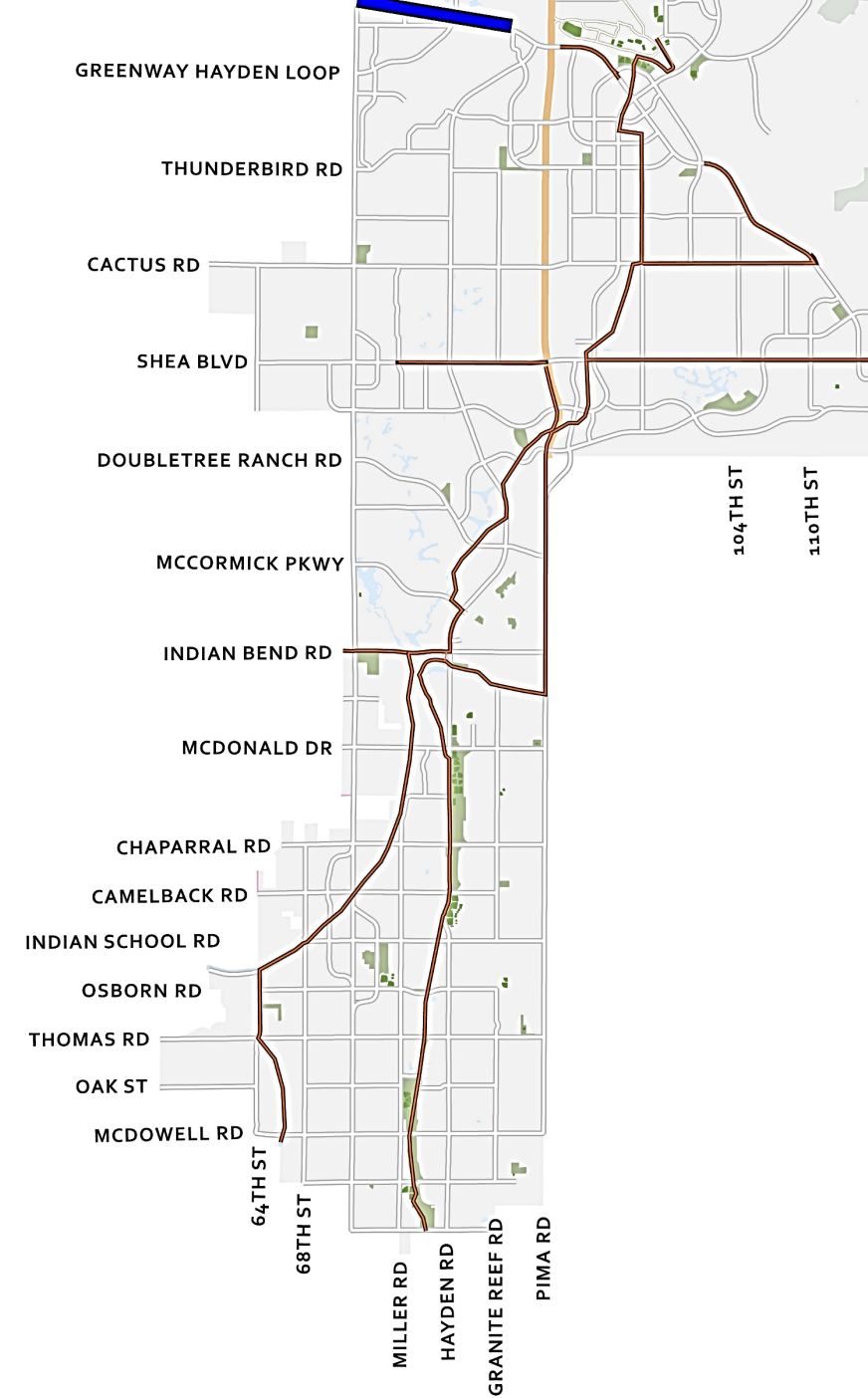


Central Arizona Project Canal Path

Design and construct a 1.7-mile long, 10-foot-wide concrete path on the south side of the Central Arizona Project Canal and north side of Frank Lloyd Wright Boulevard from Scottsdale Road to Northsight Boulevard.



Looking west, near Frank Lloyd Wright Blvd and 82nd St



Questions/Discussion

TENTATIVE FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Rev.11-28-23

All Items Subject to Change

TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

MEETING DATE: December 21, 2023

REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS DUE December 14th

CANCELLED

MEETING DATE: January 18, 2023

REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS DUE January 11th

- **Approval of Meeting Minutes** **Action**
Approval of Regular meeting minutes November 16, 2023
- **Transit System Update** **Information**
Information on the transit system and an update on Micro Transit previously shared with the Commission – Ratna Korepella, Transit Manager, Brendan Wagner, Senior Transit Planner and Daniel Alire, Transit Analyst
- **Bus Stop Improvement Updates**..... **Discussion and Action**
Follow up from initial presentation from staff – Ratna Korepella, Transit Manager.
- **Projects and Programs Update** **Information**
Update of the continuing department projects and programs – Mark Melnychenko, Transportation & Streets Director

MEETING DATE: February 15, 2023

REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS DUE February 8th

- **Approval of Meeting Minutes** **Action**
Approval of Regular meeting minutes January 18, 2023
- **TAP Implementation**..... **Information**
Information on the Transportation Action Plan (TAP) implementation and the coordination of paving efforts – Mark Melnychenko, Transportation & Streets Director
- **Update on Cool Paving Project**..... **Information**
Follow up on the initial presentation regarding Cool Paving Project – Mark Melnychenko, Transportation & Streets Director and Ed Padron, Street Operations Manager
- **Paving Section Overview**..... **Information**
Information on the Transportation & Streets Department’s Paving Section – Mark Melnychenko, Transportation & Streets Director and Ed Padron, Street Operations Manager

MEETING DATE: March 21, 2023

REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS DUE March 14th

- **Approval of Meeting Minutes** **Action**
Approval of Regular meeting minutes February 15, 2023
- **Wayfinding Signage**..... **Information**
Update on the wayfinding signage – Susan Conklu, Senior Transportation Planner
- **ALCP Update**..... **Presentation and Discussion**
Update on the ALCP from the initial presentation – Greg Davies, Senior Transportation Planner
- **Proposition 400 Update**..... **Information**
Information from Maricopa Association of Governments (MAG) on Proposition 400 – MAG Staff

MEETING DATE: April 18, 2023

REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS DUE April 11th

- **Approval of Meeting Minutes** **Action**
Approval of Regular meeting minutes March 21, 2023
- **Traffic Safety Messaging Program** **Work Study Session**
Open work study session on the Traffic Safety Messaging Program – Cristina Lenko, Public Information Officer
- **Update on Traffic Safety** **Information**
Information on traffic safety as it relates to pedestrian and automobiles in the city of Scottsdale – Samuel Taylor, Traffic Engineer
- **Pedestrian Walk Signals** **Information and Discussion**
Information on automatic walk signals – Kiran Guntupalli, Principal Traffic Engineer

FUTURE ITEMS:

INFORMATION ITEMS

- **Review of Travel Demand Patterns** **Information**
Information on how travel demand patterns effects roadway improvements – Nathan Domme, Transportation Planning Manager
- **Fiscal Impact of Distracted Driving** **Information**
Information on the fiscal impact that distracted driving has on Transportation and Street Operations decisions – Mark Melnychenko, Transportation & Streets Director
- **Update on Sensagrate** **Information**
Information and update from Sensagrate Pilot Project and where it stands now after initial presentation – Darryl Keeton, Sensagrate
- **Blue Zones Project** **Information**
Information on Scottsdale’s first Blue Zone’s project with HonorHealth – Mark Melnychenko, Transportation & Streets Director
- **Small Cell Wireless Facilities** **Presentation and Discussion**
Presentation on the issues associated with small cell wireless facilities on signals poles in North Scottsdale and the next steps to address them - Hong Huo, Traffic Engineer Principal
- **Pavement Cut Ordinance** **Presentation and Discussion**
Presentation of a draft ordinance that guides developers, utilities, and city projects on restoring asphalt after pavement cuts in our street network – Ed Padron, Street Operations Manager
- **68th Street Update** **Information**
Update on 68th Street following project completion – Nathan Domme, Transportation Planning Manager
- **Results from Bicycle Survey** **Information**
Update with results from the bicycle survey – Susan Conklu, Senior Transportation Planner

TRANSPORTATION & STREETS DEPARTMENT ACTIVITIES

- **Smart City** **Presentation and Discussion**
Discussion on the City’s participation in Smart City applications as well as ITS strategic plan and ITS vehicle detection – Hong Huo, Traffic Engineer Principal
- **Expanding Maintenance Needs** **Presentation and Discussion**
Maintenance of current infrastructure – Mark Melnychenko, Transportation & Streets Director
- **2022 Traffic Volume and Collision Manual** **Presentation and Discussion**
Summarize the information in the recently published 2020 Traffic Volume and Collision Manual – Samuel Taylor, Traffic Engineer and Parker Murphy, Traffic Engineer
- **Leading Pedestrian Interval Policy** **Presentation and Discussion**
Discuss Leading Pedestrian Interval Policy and how the city applies it – Hong Huo, Traffic Engineer Principal
- **Bicycle Friendly Communities Application Update** **Presentation and Discussion**

Update from initial presentation given on the Bicycle Friendly Communities Application – Susan Conklu, Senior Transportation Planner

- **Construction Mitigation Plan**.....**Presentation and Discussion**
Follow up on the initial presentation from staff – Walt Brodzinski, Right-of-Way Manager
- **CIP Update**.....**Presentation and Discussion**
Update on FY24/25 CIP – Greg Davies, Senior Transportation Planner

PATHS & TRAILS SUBCOMMITTEE

MEETING DATE: February 6, 2023

REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS DUE January 30

- **Approval of Meeting Minutes** **Action**
Approval of Regular meeting minutes of December 5, 2023
- **Bike Events and Education for Schools****Presentation and Discussion**
Information on upcoming bike events – Susan Conklu, Senior Transportation Planner
- **Wayfinding Signage****Information**
Update on the wayfinding signage – Susan Conklu, Senior Transportation Planner
- **Bicycle Friendly Community Application Update****Presentation and Discussion**
Update on the submission of the Bicycle Friendly Communities Application Status – Susan Conklu, Senior Transportation Planner

MEETING DATE: April 2, 2023

REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS DUE March 26

- **Approval of Meeting Minutes** **Action**
Approval of Regular meeting minutes of February 6, 2023
- **Federally and Regionally Funded Studies and Plans****Presentation and Discussion**
Overview of 64th St Crossings Study, CAP Canal/100th St Path Study and Strategic Transportation Safety Plan – Nathan Domme, Transportation Planning Manager
- **Overview of the Central Arizona Project Canal Trail**.....**Information**
An overview of the CAP Canal Trail – Greg Davies, Senior Transportation Planner

FUTURE ITEMS:

INFORMATION ITEMS

TRANSPORTATION & STREETS DEPARTMENT ACTIVITIES

- **Pavement Restriping****Presentation and Discussion**
Information on the coordination of re-paving and re-striping – Nathan Domme, Transportation Planning Manager
- **Updates from Neighboring Cities and Towns****Information**
Updates from Neighboring Cities such as Tempe, Phoenix, Mesa, and Paradise Valley on connectivity projects with Scottsdale – Guest Speakers
- **Parks & Recreation Master Plan**.....**Information**
Information on the Parks & Recreation Master Plan – Parks & Recreation
- **Path and Trail Gap Analysis****Presentation and Discussion**
Information on gaps in the citywide path and trails network – Greg Davies, Senior Transportation Planner