



APPROVED AS AMENDED

SUMMARIZED MINUTES

**CITY OF SCOTTSDALE
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING**

**Thursday, May 21, 2026
City Hall Kiva Forum
3939 N. Drinkwater Boulevard
Scottsdale, AZ 85251**

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Wilcoxon called the meeting of the Scottsdale Transportation Commission to order at 5:17 p.m.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Emmie Cardella, Vice-Chair
Robert Marmon (MS Teams)
Lee Kaufheil
Mailen Pankiewicz
Kyle Davis
Bob Baker

ABSENT: Kerry Wilcoxon, Chair

STAFF: Nathan Domme, Transportation Planning Manager
John Hoang, Senior Traffic Engineering Manager
Susan Conklu, Senior Transportation Planner
Greg Davies, Senior Transportation Planner
Adam Saylor, Scottsdale Police Officer
Amber Fleming, Scottsdale Police Officer

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no response to the call for public comment.

1. Approval of Meeting Minutes

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Commissioner Davis noted that in section one, towards the bottom of the page it indicates that Commissioner Baker abstained and it should be corrected to say that Commissioner Davis abstained.

COMMISSIONER DAVIS MOVED TO APPROVE THE APRIL 16, 2026, TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES AS AMENDED. COMMISSIONER KAUFTHEIL SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH CARRIED SIX (6) TO ZERO (0). VICE-CHAIR CARDELLA, COMMISSIONERS MARMON, PANKIEWICZ, KAUFTHEIL, DAVIS, AND BAKER VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE. COMMISSIONER DAVIS ABSTAINED. THERE WERE NO DISSENTING VOTES.

2. E-Bike and Related Devices Update

Senior Transportation Planner Susan Conklu conducted a slideshow presentation and reviewed slides with the following titles: Multiuse Paths; Growing Types of Motorized Devices; Electric Powered Devices with Functioning Pedals Allowed on the Path; Electric Powered Devices w/o Functioning Pedals Allowed on the Path; Electric Powered Devices with Functioning Pedals Prohibited on the Path; Electric Powered Devices without Functioning Pedals Prohibited on the Path; Electric Powered Devices on Path; Steps Taken to Improve Path System; City Code Recent Updates – Ordinance No. 4372; On-Street Network; Path Wayfinding and Regulatory Signage; Path Widening Projects; Ongoing Outreach; Scottsdale Police Dept; Bicycle Safety Brochure; Speed Limit Study on Indian Bend Wash Path; Speed Limits vs Path Etiquette Signage; National Averages typical path user speeds; Study and Pilot Location; Speed Data results (November and December 2025); and Recent Meetings.

Police Officer Adam Saylor and Police Officer Amber Fleming gave a presentation including slides with the following titles: E-Bike Concerns in the Community; Concerns; Classes of E-bikes; Electric Motor Driven Cycle; Enforcement - including civil violations, City Code violations; and criminal violations; and Challenges.

In response to a request for clarifications from Commissioner Kauftheil, Officer Fleming explained that a bike is considered okay as long as it has the ability to pedal without using the throttle. Electric motor driven cycles are legal as long as they are 750 watts or less. Officer Saylor said that the way that speed and wattage are checked is by using radar. Bikes are evaluated based on the capability of the highest peak mode. A full definition of the various types of e-bikes and state regulations for each is available on the Arizona Revised Statutes website. Officer Saylor

explained that canal paths fall under Federal jurisdiction. The City focuses on monitoring city parks and streets and strives to educate parents about the regulations.

In response to a question by Commissioner Pankewicz, Officer Fleming explained that there are some things that the police give leniency on, because they are in the education phase, but there is no leniency when someone is going up to 60-miles-per-hour.

In response to a question by Commissioner Davis, Ms. Conklu explained that the regulation allowing Class 1 and Class 2 electric bicycles on paths and sidewalks, but prohibiting them on roads that go 40 mph or greater was a compromise when creating the sidewalk laws.

Commissioner Cardella asked if a police officer has to physically see a violation or if someone can call in and report. Officer Saylor said that people can call in and often have camera footage of the violation that can be used as evidence.

3. Bicycle Detection and Counts at Traffic Signals

Senior Transportation Planner Greg Davies conducted a slideshow and reviewed slides with the following titles: What is Bicycle Signal Detection?; Program Overview; Detection Technologies; Existing Detection Technologies; Scottsdale's Prominent Technology; Scottsdale Signal Network Breakdown - 320 signalized intersections; Scottsdale Signal Network Breakdown – Signalized Intersections with Bike Lanes; Bicycle Signal Detection Initial Deployment; Intersection Detection Applications; Pavement Marking Applications; Video Camera Detection Technology; Miovision Detection Zones; Miovision Detection Data; Gridsmart Detection Zones; Gridsmart Detection Data; LiDAR Detection; and Next Steps.

In response to a question by Commissioner Kauftheil, Senior Traffic Engineering Manager John Hoang explained that lighting at an intersection is part of the accuracy of the system. New emerging technology will help to increase the bicycle detection accuracy.

Commissioner Davis asked if there were plans to put more cameras in. Mr. Hoang explained that there is an upcoming project that will include approximately 110 additional detection systems at the signalized intersections. He noted that the Lidar system gives the speed of the bicycles and vehicles at 90 percent accuracy.

4. Projects and Programs Update

Transportation Planning Manager Nathan Domme conducted a presentation and reviewed the following topics:

- Projects Under Construction. Scottsdale Road, Jomax to Dixileta are nearing completion and should be completed by Fall of 2026. Pima Road, Via Linda to McDowell Roadway widening anticipated completion in Fall of 2026.
- AZ Canal Path Closure. Camelback Road to Chaparral will be closed through the middle of July.
- Projects Starting Construction. Cactus Trail Enhancement Project from 96th to Frank Lloyd Wright Blvd.; Cactus Trail Enhancement Project; 68th Street sidewalk connection from the canal to Camelback Road;
- Indian Bend Wash Path Renovations. Coming to completion with the McCormick Ranch section of the project. Path will be closed for most of the summer.

- Design Projects. Thompson Peak Parkway bridge over Reata Pass is reaching 90 percent designs and will start construction as soon as possible; Thomas Road, 56th Street to 73rd Street complete reconstruction of pavements is Federally funded and will go to ADOT for review once design is completed.
- Transit Capital Investments. Vehicle Replacement and Citywide Stop Improvements. Full design of new Trolley vehicles will be brought to the Transportation Commission and 10 to 13 new vehicles should be received by Summer of 2028. Standards for Scottsdale bus shelters will be modified and additional stops will be placed.
- Arterial Life Cycle Program - Proposition 479. Three preliminary design projects beginning in July, including Dynamite Blvd, 56th to Pima; Pinnacle Peak, Scottsdale Road to Pima Road; and Legacy Blvd. bridge.
- FY2025/26 Pavement Program preliminary look. Full presentation of the 10-year plan will be agendized for the June meeting.

5. Transportation Commission Identification of Future Agenda Items

Commissioner Kauftheil requested a presentation discussing the potential for expanding public transportation routes, days, and times. He stressed the importance of including a route that goes to the McDowell Sonoran Preserve. Mr. Domme said that he will include that discussion as part of the Transit update in the Fall.

Commissioner Baker suggested that staff consider doing a study on timing lights based on traffic speed.

Commissioner Marmon requested a presentation on the Maricopa Association of Government's Northeast Valley transportation study.

The next Transportation Commission meeting is scheduled for June 18, 2026.

Adjournment

COMMISSIONER DAVIS MOVED TO ADJOURN THE MEETING. COMMISSIONER KAUFTHEIL SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH CARRIED SIX (6) TO ZERO (0). VICE-CHAIR CARDELLA, COMMISSIONERS MARMON, PANKIEWICZ, KAUFTHEIL, DAVIS, AND BAKER VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE. COMMISSIONER DAVIS ABSTAINED. THERE WERE NO DISSENTING VOTES.

With no further business to discuss, being duly moved and seconded, the meeting adjourned at 7:13 p.m.

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