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DRAFT Meeting Minutes – Oct 7, 2009

Attendance: John Pilger, Tony Crosby, Jim Jordan, Sgt Scott Morgan (PCSD), Basil Baker, Larry Coffin, Jean Gorman, Herb Grove, Matt Zoll (PCDOT), Susanne Blodgett

- 1) John Pilger (JP) called the meeting to order at 3:05 PM.
- 2) The minutes of the May 6, 2009 meeting were approved.
- 3) JP welcomed Sgt Scott Morgan to the committee.
- 4) Status of Projects and Advocacies:
 - a) Town of Sahuarita – JP relayed that Phase One of Sahuarita Rd is underway and that the town is looking at multi-purpose lanes on La Villita north of Sahuarita Rd.
 - b) Memorial for Deceased Cyclists:
 - i) Susanne Blodgett of Median Green was invited to discuss the prospect of sponsoring a memorial tree and boulder with plaque. The cost would be \$500.
 - ii) JP talked about the engraved pavers for placement at the Brad Gorman Memorial Trailhead with \$50 suggested as a donation for each paver. The Comm. backs the idea and Tony agreed to coordinate suitable inscriptions for Grant Koehler, Jerome Featherman, Fred Hettig, and the SCVBAC itself.
 - iii) Herb covered several ideas he has hit upon to help local riders celebrate the memories of Grant Koehler. JP suggested we continue the discussion when more local riders return for the winter.
 - c) GVCCC T & A Meeting – Tony attempted to reported on the Sep T & A. He relayed that the Continental/C del Sol roundabout project would not be completed until late Oct due to 3 inch overlay on Continental and that the Continental School project should go to bid in late 09/early 10.
 - d) Esperanza under I-19 – Matt that the project has lots of competition and that larger communities are not being favored for State T&E monies.
 - e) Continental Projects– Jim reported that the I-19/Continental project has slipped approx. five months and now has no firm dates and that the Continental School PS&E should be finalized by the end of October.
 - f) RTA, RTP, PAG Bike Plan, and TIP – Matt said that the missing link of shoulders on Albrego is on the RTA list as well as funding for safety railing and curb cuts on the C. del Sol sidewalk. Other funds will be used to repair the 20 year old sidewalk. He said that a Commissioner Huckelberry has expressed his support for the Urban Loop project, a bike lane on Flowing Wells, and new pavement on Mission Road

from Drexel south to the Reservation. He talked about soliciting support for paved shoulders at the north end of the Reservation that has been opposed by tribe spokesmen,

g) Bike Count – Matt and others discussed the PAG Regional Bike Count, scheduled for Oct 27, 28 and 29. We will try to get counts at the same two locations as last year and add the I-19/Continental as a baseline. Jean said she would support a location and Sahuarita and Tony agreed to contact Kevin McDonald for additional coverage. Matt suggested a county on White House Canyon Rd might be useful, especially on a weekend. Counts to the Continental School are not useful now but would be after bike lanes are added. JP said training for students should be conducted before the lanes are opened.

h) Health Fair – JP said there would be a health fair in Sahuarita May 30 that might include a information booth for bicyclists. Tony will get with Kevin and find out what can be done.

i) TPCBAC/Enforcement– Tony talked about some areas of concern that occurred over the summer: a citizen complain about the Shootout, the general issue of the Shootout and the TPCBAC letter to PCSO, and the recent problems with senior drivers striking cyclists in bicycle lanes or paved shoulders.

j) Benefit Bike Ride – JP mentioned a request he had received to assist in a ride to benefit pancreatic cancer. Jean agreed to investigate.

k) West Desert Preserve – The PD mine is evidently going to bid for a large block of State Land, including the 2000 acre WDP. Public access will need to be preserved.

5) Publicity/Education/Website:

a) PAG Bike Map – Matt said 40 thousand had been printed and were being distributed.

b) Ride of Silence – Will be dedicated to Jerome Featherman

c) GV Senior Games – Tony said Karen Rans was developing a route in Quail Creek that will be through quiet streets and should attract a wider range of riders.

The meeting was adjourned at 5 PM. The next meeting will be Nov 4, 2009, 3 PM, in the GVCCC conference room.

Tony Crosby, Scribe

