

**TECHNICAL ADVISORY  
COMMITTEE  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

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**TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC)**

**Yuma County – Gold Room**

**Regular Meeting**

**2351 West 26th Street**

**Thursday, July 11, 2019, 9:00 AM**

**Yuma, Arizona 85364**

**YMPO TAC MEMBERS**

- Chair Maggie Castro, Planning & Zoning Director, Yuma County
- Vice-Chair Eulogio Vera, Public Works Director City of San Luis
- Member Samuel Palacios, Public Works Director, City of Somerton
- Member Mark Hoffman, Senior Planner, ADOT
- Member Larry Killman for Joseph Grant, Public Works Director, Town of Wellton
- Member Frank Sanchez, Interim County Engineer, Yuma County
- Member Jeff Kramer, City Engineer, City of Yuma

**YMPO TAC MEMBERS ABSENT**

- Member Omar Heredia, Planner, Cocopah Indian Tribe
- Member Susan Cowey, CIP Administrator, City of Yuma
- Member Jennifer Albers, Principal Planner, City of Yuma

**YMPO STAFF PRESENT**

- Executive Director Paul Ward
- Senior Planning/Mobility Manager Charles Gutierrez
- Administrative Assistant Melissa Ramos
- Associate Planner De'Laurien McKenzie

1. **Call to Order and Declaration of Votes**  
YMPO TAC Chairwoman, Maggie Castro, called the meeting to order at 9:00 am. The City of Yuma declaration of votes: Jeff Kramer 5 votes.
2. **Title VI of the Civil Rights ACT of 1964 ..... Discussion and Information only**  
YMPO's Title VI and ADA Programs require that no person shall, on the grounds of race, color, national origin, or disability be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any program or activity.

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3. **Call to the Public**

This item is to provide an opportunity for comments by the public. Individuals wishing to address the committee need not request permission in advance and are limited to three (3) minutes.

No public comments made at this time.

4. **Approval of Minutes ..... Discussion and Action**

Jeff Kramer motioned to approve the draft TAC meeting minutes of May 9, 2019 and June 13, 2019 as presented by YMPO staff.

Mark Hoffman Seconded

Motion carried unanimously

5. **YMPO 2018-2019 YMPO Bicycle and Pedestrian Study and Design Standards Update..... Information, Discussion, and/or Action**

Mike Blankenship presented the School Sites Assessments, below, that are in the preliminary phase. Mike Blankenship asked the TAC to review the School Sites Assessments and make comments. YMPO staff and Greenlight TE asked to have comments back to YMPO by July 25, 2019.

**YUMA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**Alice Byrne Elementary School recommended improvement:** High Visibility Actuated Pedestrian Crossing on 16<sup>th</sup> Street between 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue and 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue

**C W McGraw Elementary School recommended improvements:** High Visibility Actuated Pedestrian Crossing on Arizona Avenue, south of 23<sup>rd</sup> Street and Sidewalk along west side of Arizona Avenue from 21<sup>st</sup> Street to 22<sup>nd</sup> Street, & along north side of 22<sup>nd</sup> Street from Arizona Avenue to Serenity Yoga

**Desert Mesa Elementary School recommended improvement:** High Visibility Actuated Pedestrian Crossing on 24<sup>th</sup> Street at College Avenue

**George Washington Carver Elementary School recommended improvement:** High Visibility Actuated Pedestrian Crossing on 5<sup>th</sup> Street at 13<sup>th</sup> Avenue (upgrading the existing crossing)

**James B Rolle School recommended improvement:** High Visibility Actuated Pedestrian Crossing on Engler Avenue at 27<sup>th</sup> Way and San Marco Drive

**James D Price School** no improvements noted

**Mary A Otondo Elementary School recommended improvement:** Sidewalk along east side of Otondo Drive from the school north driveway to 560 feet west of Ridge Drive (2,300 feet). Add ladder markings at the existing crosswalks at 24<sup>th</sup> St and Otondo Drive

**O C Johnson School recommended improvement:** Enhancement to the existing pedestrian crossings on 12<sup>th</sup> St at 14<sup>th</sup> Avenue and 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue and on Avenue A and 12<sup>th</sup> St

**Palmcroft Elementary School recommended improvements:** Enhancement to existing pedestrian crossings on Palmcroft Drive in front of the school and at 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue intersection; and on Elm street near Holly Drive.

Install sidewalk along Holly Drive, Elm Street, Fern Drive, and Solana Drive

**Pecan Grove Elementary School recommended improvement:** High Visibility Actuated Pedestrian Crossing at 21<sup>st</sup> Avenue/7<sup>th</sup> Street; 6<sup>th</sup> Street/24<sup>th</sup> Avenue; 5<sup>th</sup> Place/24<sup>th</sup> Avenue; and 5<sup>th</sup> Street/24<sup>th</sup> Avenue

**Roosevelt Elementary School recommended improvements:** Proposed high visibility pedestrian crossings on 5<sup>th</sup> Street/10<sup>th</sup> Avenue; 6<sup>th</sup> Street/6<sup>th</sup> Avenue; and 7<sup>th</sup> Street/6<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Enhancement of existing pedestrian crossing at 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue/3<sup>rd</sup> Street; 4<sup>th</sup> Street/5<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

**Sunrise Elementary School recommended improvements:** High Visibility Actuated Pedestrian Crossings on Avenue 10 E, and County 10 ½ Street and a sidewalk along both sides of Avenue 10 E and County 10 ½ Street

#### **WELLTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**Wellton Elementary School recommended improvements:** High Visibility Pedestrian Crossing on Williams Street; and enhancement to the existing crosswalk on San Jose Avenue. Install sidewalks along south side of Oakland Avenue; both sides of Arizona Avenue; both sides of Victor Avenue; San Jose Avenue (east of the school); and both sides of Jessie Street.

#### **SOMERTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**Desert Sonora Elementary School recommended improvements:** Sidewalks along Carlisle Alley. High visibility crossing on Carlisle Avenue; and Spring Street at the school driveways.

**Orange Grove Elementary School recommended improvements:** Sidewalk along Avenue B ½ (1/4 of a mile on both north and south directions); and County 16 ½ Street. Proposed high visibility crosswalk in front of the school.

**Tierra Del Sol Elementary School recommended improvements:** High visibility crosswalks on Somerton Avenue; Garvin Street; and Columbia Avenue.

**Valle Del Encanto Learning Center:** Sidewalk along Avenue F from County 16<sup>th</sup> Street to Congress Avenue. High visibility crossing on Highway 95 (east of Avenue F); and Spring Street.

#### **HYDER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

No improvements.

#### **MOHAWK VALLEY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Sidewalk along eastside of Avenue 39 E and both sides of County 5<sup>th</sup> Street.

High visibility crossings on both Avenue 39E and County 5<sup>th</sup> Street.

### **GADSDEN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**Arizona Desert Elementary School & Rio Colorado Elementary School recommended improvements:** Sidewalks along west side of north William Brooks Avenue; Southside of school driveway (west of Main Street); and other necessary on-campus connections. High visibility crosswalk at Main Street/School Driveway; on campus, and Union Street/4<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

**Cesar Chavez Elementary School recommended improvements:** High visibility crosswalk at Lopez Street (west of 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue); 9<sup>th</sup> Street ( north of Lopez Street); Stephen Street ( west of 10<sup>th</sup> Street); Black Street ( east of Cabello Avenue); and Mendez Street ( east of Cabello Avenue). Enhancement to the existing crosswalk at Cesar Chavez Blvd and 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

**Desert View Elementary School recommended improvements:** High visibility crosswalk at Torres Street (west of 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue); and Krystal Street (West of 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue).

**Ed Pastor Elementary School recommended improvements:** High visibility crossing on 5<sup>th</sup> Street, 5<sup>th</sup> Drive, and Guerrero Avenue; 6<sup>th</sup> Drive (north of Juan Sanchez Blvd). Enhancement to the existing crosswalk at 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue, and Juan Sanchez Blvd (east of 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue).

### **CRANE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**Gary A. Knox Elementary School recommended improvements:** High visibility crosswalk at 21<sup>st</sup> Drive (at the school driveway); and enhancement to the existing crosswalk on 28<sup>th</sup> Street (west of 21<sup>st</sup> Drive).

**Gowan Science Academy & H.L. Suverkrup Elementary School recommended improvements:** High visibility crossings on 15<sup>th</sup> Street and 14<sup>th</sup> Street (west of Avenue C). Enhancement to the existing crossings at Avenue C and 16<sup>th</sup> Street. Proposed school zone flashing beacons on both 16<sup>th</sup> Street and Avenue C.

**Mesquite Elementary School recommended improvements:** Enhancement to the existing crossing on 28<sup>th</sup> Street, east of 45<sup>th</sup> Drive.

**Pueblo Elementary School recommended improvements:** High visibility crossings on 20<sup>th</sup> Street at the school driveways; on 29<sup>th</sup> Avenue and 27<sup>th</sup> Avenue (south of 20<sup>th</sup> Street); and Athens Avenue (north of 20<sup>th</sup> Street). School zone flashing beacon on 20<sup>th</sup> Street.

**Rancho Viejo Elementary School; Salida Del Sol Elementary School and Great Beginnings School recommended improvements:** High visibility crossings on Daisy Street and 11<sup>th</sup> Street (west of Avenue C); and on Avenue C (at the school driveways). Enhancement to the existing crosswalks at County 8 ½ St and Avenue C  
Sidewalks along north side of 11<sup>th</sup> Street; and north side of Daisy Street.  
Install school zone flashing beacons on Avenue C.

**Ranald Reagan Elementary School recommended improvements:** High visibility crosswalk at Taylor loop.

**Valley Horizon Elementary School recommended improvements:** High visibility crossing on 18<sup>th</sup> street, 19<sup>th</sup> Place, and; on 20<sup>th</sup> Street (west of 46<sup>th</sup> Avenue).  
 Install school zone flashing beacon on 20<sup>th</sup> Street west and east of 45<sup>th</sup> Avenue and 45<sup>th</sup> Avenue north of 20<sup>th</sup> Street.

**6. YMPO Safety Plan Update..... Information, Discussion, and/or Action**

Mike Blankenship with Greenlight TE presentation included the three member agencies that applied for HSIP funding. The City of Yuma requested a Roundabout at Giss/Castle Dome that adds \$750K and lowers the B/C from 8.9 to 7.2. A Flashing Yellow Arrows which adds \$38K and lowers the B/C from 10.9 to 10.1 and the Pedestrian Hybrid Beacon which adds \$80K and lowers the B/C from 18.4 to 17.7.

Yuma County applied for County 14<sup>th</sup> Street/Avenue 4E signal that adds \$80K and lowers the B/C from 8.6 to 8.2. County 11<sup>th</sup> Street/Avenue G curve that adds \$103K and lowers the B/C from 18.0 to 16.9. Yuma County also applied for wider markings adds \$173K and lowers the B/C from 8.0 to 7.3.

The City of San Luis applied for a curve project which adds \$123K and lowers the B/C from 9.5 to 8.9.

The presentation included crash data from 2014-2018. Below are a few data tables that were included in Mike Blankenship's presentation.

Collision Manner	Fatal	Non-			No Injury	Grand Total
		Incapacitating Injury	Incapacitating Injury	Possible Injury		
Single Vehicle	50	92	386	249	1622	2399
Angle	15	59	334	515	1376	2299
Left Turn	4	42	249	326	861	1482
Rear End	6	32	380	934	2537	3889
Head On	11	15	41	38	88	193
Sideswipe Same Direction	1	6	45	83	1110	1245
Sideswipe Opposite Direction	1	1	22	16	135	175
Rear to Side			7	12	136	155
Rear to Rear		1	2	4	50	57
U-Turn	1		1		1	3
Other	24	51	144	132	317	668
Unknown			4	10	83	97
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>113</b>	<b>299</b>	<b>1615</b>	<b>2319</b>	<b>8316</b>	<b>12662</b>

Light Condition	Non-				No Injury	Grand Total
	Fatal	Incapacitating Injury	Incapacitating Injury	Possible Injury		
Daylight	39	171	1148	1760	5991	9109
Dawn	5	10	43	47	164	269
Dusk	6	5	41	54	171	277
Dark - Lighted	18	55	212	294	1121	1700
Dark - Not Lighted	42	58	166	155	770	1191
Dark - Unknown Lighting	3	0	5	9	93	110
Unknown	0	0	0	0	6	6
Grand Total	113	299	1615	2319	8316	12662

**7. YMPO Traffic Count Study Update ..... Information, Discussion, and/or Action**

Chris Joannes with Kimley-Horn updated the TAC on the status of the Traffic Count Study. The final Traffic Count Network Study document is available for review and comments. Chris asked that all comments be submitted by July 25, 2019. During the presentation Chris Joannes displayed a count form that the YMPO Data Techs will be implementing. Each count sheet will have a GIS map on the back displaying the count locations.

**8. YMPO 2018-2022 TIP Amendment #7 ..... Information, Discussion, and/or Action**

Charles Gutierrez presented amendment #7 to the TAC. A scrivener's error has been corrected by YMPO staff and ADOT staff. The correction was for the Town of Wellton's Coyote Wash Bridge project. Charles Gutierrez presented a transit TIP amendment also. YCIPTA requested to include the awarded transit projects for FY 20.

Mark Hoffman motioned to approve TIP Amendment # 7 as presented by YMPO staff.

Frank Sanchez seconded

Motion carried unanimously

**9. Regional Studies and Plans ..... Information, Discussion, and/or Action**

YMPO staff will email the TAC, County, Cities and Towns Administrators the ITS Study, Short Range Transit Plan, and the Rail Heavy Freight Corridor Study Scope of Works for review. All comments are due August 1, 2019.

**10. Project Updates ..... Information and Discussion**

YMPO- The Pavement Management Study RFP has been released to the streets and submissions are due July 29, 2019. Charles Gutierrez updated the TAC on the public participation campaign Gunn Communications and Greenlight TE created for the Bike & Ped Plan and the Safety Plan Update.

**11. In-kind Match Forms ..... Information and Discussion**

YMPO staff will present, at a future TAC meeting, the analysis YMPO staff collected in house for In-Kind Match recording purposes.

12. **TAC Status Reports** .....**Information and Discussion**  
Member agencies had the opportunity to report the status of their projects (Local or Federal).

Town of Wellton:

**Coyote Wash Bridge-** This project has been awarded to DBE Construction and the partnering will be scheduled in the next few weeks.

Yuma County:

**Bridge 7751: Wellton/Mohawk – 37E & County 6<sup>th</sup> Street-** This project has been awarded. The notice to proceed was delayed due to Swallow nests being present. The project is back on track with construction beginning at the end of August 2019.

**Bridge 8865: Mohawk Canal Bridge – 46E & County 1 ½ Street-** This project has been awarded. The notice to proceed has been delayed due to Swallow nests being present. The project is back on track with construction beginning August 1, 2019.

City of San Luis:

**Juan Sanchez Boulevard-** No change to the status of this project, working on the environmental clearance.

City of Yuma:

**1<sup>st</sup> Avenue, 16<sup>th</sup> Street to Orange-** This project is a mil and replace project.

**16<sup>th</sup> Street, Avenue B to Avenue C-** This project should be released for bids in the next few weeks.

**Avenue 9E Bike Lanes, North Frontage Road to 24<sup>th</sup> Street-** This project is Completed.

**4<sup>th</sup> Avenue, 32<sup>nd</sup> Street to 40<sup>th</sup> Street-** This project is completed.

**Multi Use Path on Ave 6E (Ocotillo subdivision)-** This project is completed.

**3E 32<sup>nd</sup> to 40<sup>th</sup> Street-** This is an Ultra-Thin Bonded Wearing Course.

City of Somerton:

**Cesar Chavez Main Street to Jefferson-** Design 100% completed and the project can be removed from the list.

ADOT:

**Wellton Mohawk Canal Bridge Rehab-** The contractor will start work in the beginning of August 2019.

**I-8, MP 46 SW of Dateland Pavement Preservation-** This project is advertised and will bid open on July 19, 2019.

**US 95 at Avenue 8E Intersection-** The contractor is working on AC, working on roadway excavation, placing signal pole foundations and electrical conduit.

**US 95 and SR 85 S Chip Seal Projects-** The contractor is placing final striping.

Cocopah Indian Tribe:

No updates available.

**13. Future Agenda Items .....Discussion**  
Members had the opportunity to suggest future items for the TAC agenda.

- A. Functional Classification- YMPO staff and Eulogio Vera, City of San Luis will work on reclassifying Co 24th Street.
- B. TIP Amendments
- C. Conformity Determination Update- Kimley-Horn is working on the Air Quality Conformity.

**14. Progress Reports .....Discussion**  
YMPO staff supplied a summary of recent activities.

- A. Jun 4 - State Transportation Board Study Session; Deputy Mayor Knight and Paul Ward attended.
- B. Jun 4 - YMPO Regional Mobility meeting; Charles Gutierrez and Melissa Ramos attended.
- C. Jun 6 - Statewide Mobility Management meeting, Charles Gutierrez attended.
- D. Jun 7 - MPOs/COGs Planner's meeting, Charles Gutierrez attended.
- E. Jun 7 - PM-10 State Implementation Plan (SIP) meeting, Paul Ward attended.
- F. Jun 10 - RTAC meeting, Vice Mayor Ramos, Deputy Mayor Knight, and Paul Ward participated.
- G. Jun 10 - ADOT/YMPO Coordination meeting, Deputy Mayor Knight, Paul Ward and Charles Gutierrez attended.
- H. Jun 11 - Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) Study meeting with City of Yuma staff, Paul Ward attended.
- I. Jun 12 - Air Quality Conformity Discussion - Paul Ward and Charles Gutierrez participated.
- J. Jun 12 - Autonomous vehicle seminar (City Hall), Deputy Mayor Knight, Supervisor Pancrazi, Paul Ward, and Charles Gutierrez attended.
- K. Jun 13 - PM-10 State Implementation Plan (SIP) discussion and a separate Conference Call, Paul Ward participated.
- L. Jun 13 - YMPO TAC meeting, YMPO staff attended.
- M. Jun 21 - AZSTB meeting (Pinetop/Lakeside), Deputy Mayor Knight attended.
- N. Jun 26-28 - Arizona Mexico Committee conference, Paul Ward attended.
- O. Jun 27 - YMPO Executive Board meeting, YMPO staff attended.

**15. Adjournment**

Chairwomen Maggie Castro adjourned the TAC Meeting at 10:57 am.

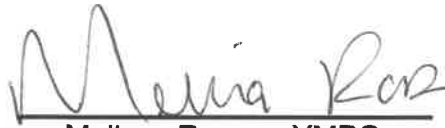
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