

**MINUTES OF THE
MARICOPA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS
INTELLIGENT TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS COMMITTEE**

December 3, 2008
MAG Cholla Room, 2nd Floor
302 North First Avenue
Phoenix, Arizona

MEMBERS ATTENDING

Lydia Warnick for Scott Nodes, ADOT	Faisal Saleem for Nicolaas Swart, Maricopa County
Soyoung Ahn, ASU	Jeff Jenq, City of Mesa
Kelly LaRosa, City of Avondale	*Ron Amaya, City of Peoria
*David Johnson, Town of Buckeye	Marshall Riegel, City of Phoenix
Mike Mah, City of Chandler	Bob Ciotti, Phoenix Public Transit
Mike Lockhart, DPS	Michael Pacelli, Town of Queen Creek
Jerry Horacek City of El Mirage	Bruce Dressel, City of Scottsdale
Alan Hansen, FHWA	*Johan Abraham, City of Surprise
Ken-Ichi Maruyama, Town of Gilbert	*Jim Decker, City of Tempe
Debbie Albert, City of Glendale	*Arkady Bernshteyn, Valley Metro Rail
Luke Albert, City of Goodyear	

OTHERS PRESENT

Farzana Yasmin, ADOT	Ratna Korepella, Valley Metro
Darrell Bingham, ADOT	Jim Book, Valley Metro
Lisa Burgess, KHA Inc	Armand Ciccarelli, PBS&J Inc
Deanna Townsend, KHA Inc	Don Wiltshire, Y.S. Mantri
Yung Cossar, Morrison Maierle	Bob Steele, Olsson Associate
Sarath Joshua, MAG	Gary Rylander, Rylander Consulting
Leo Luo, MAG	Kiran Guntupalli, MAG

*Not present

1. Call to Order
Chairman Mike Mah called the meeting to order at 10:05 AM.
2. Approval of November 5, 2008 Meeting Minutes
Debbie Albert moved, Michael Pacelli seconded and it was unanimously carried to approve minutes of the November 5, 2008 ITS Committee meeting.
3. Call to Audience
Chairman Mike Mah made a call to the audience providing an opportunity to any members of the public to address the ITS Committee. No comments were received.
4. Program Manager's Report
Sarath Joshua addressed the following items in his report:

- Update on RCN Phase 1A Project

Lydia Warnick from ADOT briefed the committee on the progress of the RCN Phase 1A project, which includes the fiber and conduit project and the active electronics project. A meeting will be held next Monday to discuss issues with City of Phoenix. A certified subcontractor was also on board to carry out work within Phoenix. The RFP for the active electronics project has been distributed to four contractors on statewide wireless on-call contract. The deadline for submitting their proposal was extended to December 5, 2008.

- RCN Working Group Meeting

Sarath Joshua briefed the committee on the RCN Working Group meeting held prior to the committee meeting. He reported that the working group discussed the proposed governance and reporting structure of RCN. A draft document was distributed and comments were requested. Kimley-Horn and Associates prepared a Draft Roles and Responsibilities document for RCN management. MAG will provide consultant assistance through the ITS on-call contract to finalize the document. Mr. Joshua will provide a short list of the consultants who are qualified for the area.

- Status of ITS On-Call Consultant Contracts

Sarath Joshua reported that all but two ITS On-Call Contracts are executed. The remaining two are expected to be completed by the end of this week. The TSOP projects will be conducted through these contracts. MAG will assign the TSOP projects to the on-call consultants based on the ranking of the consultants. Unless there is strong objection to the consultant from the member agencies, the projects will be conducted through the list generated by MAG. Mr. Joshua also introduced the GovDelivery system acquired by MAG for people who want to receive updates via email about meetings, minutes, agenda, projects and so on to sign-up for free electronic notification.

5. Regional ITS Architecture (RIA) Project

Lisa Burgess from Kimley-Horn Associate made a presentation on the progress of the ITS Architecture project. She also walked through the project website and demonstrated where the committee members need to focus on and how they could make comments. She also provided an update on the consolidated goals and objectives based on the comments from the committee. Chairman Mike Mah commented that travel time display on freeways and arterials should be a separated item for goals and objectives. In response to Sarath's request, Lisa also laid out the next steps for the project, including finalizing the market packages and functional requirements, identifying ITS standards, linking the market packages with ITS projects.

6. Valley Metro LINK - Mesa Main Street Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Project

Jim Book from Valley Metro/RPTA made a presentation on the Mesa Main Street Bus Rapid Transit Project. Key ITS Elements included Next Bus information on DMS at bus stations, transit signal priority, related communications and automatic passenger counting system. The service will start on December 27, 2008.

7. Request for Project Change from Phoenix

Committee member Marshall Riegel, of the City of Phoenix, explained to the committee that in Phase 3 of Downtown Traffic Management System (DTMS) project, the original scope was to develop a downtown parking management system to provide parking information to the public. Due to the lack of support from the privately owned parking facilities, the project has become infeasible. Therefore, City of Phoenix requests to change the scope of work to upgrade the DTMS software with new video switches, upgrade video wall and projector system. Sarath Joshua mentioned that the change to the scope of work requires an amendment to the TIP and requires ITS committee action. Alan Hansen from FHWA asked what benefits would the upgraded system can provide. Jerry Horacek asked if Phoenix can provide more detail information on the original scope and the proposed scope. Debbie confirmed with Marshall that the project is still a procurement project without ground disturbance. Eileen Yazzie, the MAG TIP programming manager was invited to the meeting to explain the MAG approval process to TIP amendments. The ITS committee agreed to postpone the action on January meeting until Phoenix provide more information on the project.

8. Status Reports by Committee Members on ITS Activities

Jeff Jenq reported that Mesa is upgrading the ATMS in January 2009 to coincide with the opening of the BRT service. He also mentioned that the Opticom System is now providing a central management system for TMCs to monitor, manage and analyze the usage of the signal preemptions/priorities. The product should be available next year. Mesa is planning to test the ALDIS fisheye camera for data collection or traffic control purposes. The signal maintenance practice is now under review in Mesa to save costs. Debbie Albert mentioned that the North Valley fiber project received a lower bid than the expected budget cost. The project will connect 24 signalized intersections to Glendale's central control system. The CCTV camera project also receive better price than expected. A total of 53 of cameras will be added. She also briefed the committee that a signal retiming project on Bell Road is expected to save 30% to 40% of travel time for travelers. Alan Hansen mentioned that he will be moving to a new position as a major project manager with FHWA local office. Chairman Mike Mah, program manger Sarath Joshua, Jeff Jenq and the ITS Committee expressed their gratitude to Alan's contribution to ITS development in the region. Faisal Saleem would like to share the feedback and experience from the ITS World Congress with the committee in the next meeting.

9. Next Meeting Date

Next meeting date was announced at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, January 7, 2008.

10. Adjournment

Chairman Mike Mah adjourned the meeting at 12:00 PM.