

MEETING MINUTES FROM THE  
MARICOPA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS  
STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS AND DETAILS COMMITTEE

October 8, 2008

Maricopa Association of Governments Office, Cholla Room  
302 North First Avenue  
Phoenix, Arizona

AGENCY MEMBERS

Jim Badowich, Avondale	Gordon Haws, Mesa
* Steven Borst, Buckeye	Jesse Gonzalez, Peoria
Warren White, Chandler	Jeff Van Skike, Phoenix (St. Trans.)
Dennis Teller, El Mirage	* Jami Erickson, Phoenix (Water)
* Kelli Kurtz, Gilbert	Mark Palichuk, Queen Creek
Tom Kaczmarowski, Glendale	Rodney Ramos, Scottsdale
Troy Tobiasson, Goodyear	* Loren Kelley, Surprise
Bob Herz, MCDOT	James Bond, Tempe

ADVISORY MEMBERS

John Ashley, ACA	Adrian Green, ARPA
Jeff Benedict, AGC	Paul R. Nebeker, Independent
Brian Gallimore, AGC	* William Ast, NUCA
Peter Kandarlis, SRP, Vice Chairman	Bill Davis, NUCA
James Carusone, ARPA	

MAG ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

Gordon Tyus

\* Members not attending or represented by proxy.

GUESTS/VISITORS

Doug Berg, Contech Construction Products, Inc.  
Tom Kennedy, FNF Construction  
Stephen Ganstrom, City of Mesa  
Mike Titchere, ADS-Nyloplast

1. Call to Order

Chairman, Bob Herz, called the meeting to order at 1:34 p.m.

2. Approval of Minutes

The members reviewed the August 6, 2008 meeting minutes. Jesse Gonzalez introduced a motion to accept the minutes as written. Warren White seconded the motion. A voice vote of all ayes and no nays was recorded.

3. 2007 Cases (old cases)

a. **Case 07-02 – Revisions to Asphalt Concrete, Sections 321 and 710:** Major re-writes of Asphalt Concrete placement and materials Sections 321 and 710 as proposed by the Asphalt Paving Technical Committee (APTC). Jeff Benedict presented the revisions as shown in this month's packet. It was agreed that the 5<sup>th</sup> paragraph in Section 321.10.5 referencing the new Asphalt Concrete Coring Method needs to note that the description of the method is provided in Section 321.14. Jeff Van Skike moved to vote on the case as modified during the discussion. Troy Tobiasson seconded the motion. A vote of 9 yes, 3 no, 0 abstention and 3 not present was recorded.

b. **Case 07-03A – PVC Catch Basins, Proposed New Details 535-2, 535-3, 537-2 & 539-2. Case 07-03B – Inlet Structures, Proposed New Details 542-1 through 4 & 543-1 through 5:** Details to allow the use of PVC catch basins and inlet structures. Bill Davis introduced himself to the committee as NUCA's new representative and presented the revisions to details in Case 07-03B. The committee discussed the need for additional detailing of plate casting and dimensioning, and discussed the applicability of these materials in the right-of-way. Bill Davis withdrew both cases from consideration.

4. 2008 Cases (new cases)

a. **Case 08-12 – New Section 331, Microsealing, and Section 714, Microsurfacing Materials:** New sections for pavement microsurfacing materials and placement. Jeff Van Skike presented revisions as shown in this month's packet. Bob Herz proposed minor language revisions to Sections 331.1 and 331.2 which were agreed by the committee. Members had a discussion on bituminous emulsion properties and how best to describe the material, but choose not to make any changes to the language. Jeff Van Skike moved to vote on the case as modified during the discussion. Jim Badowich seconded the motion. A vote of 11 yes, 0 no, 1 abstention and 3 not present was recorded.

5. General Discussion:

Doug Berg of Contech Construction Products, Inc., introduced himself, provided appropriate application documentation and requested becoming an advisory member to the committee as a representative of the Western Corrugated Metal Pipe Association (WCMP). After discussion by the committee members a vote was taken on acceptance of WCMP as an advisory member. A vote of 7 yes, 5 no, 0 abstention and 3 not present was recorded. Committee bylaws require a two-thirds approval by the attending members, therefore the membership application was not approved. The committee encouraged Mr. Berg to continue

attending meetings so that the group could better gauge his value and commitment to the committee in case he wished to apply again in the future.

John Ashley announced that the concrete modernization subcommittee will next meet at 1:00 pm on Wednesday October 15<sup>th</sup> at the ARPA offices (916 W. Adams Street, Phoenix).

Paul Nebeker initiated a discussion on agency adherence to MAG standards and details. He requested input from agencies on the procedures they use to vary from the standards. Most members noted that their agencies have supplemental standards or details that describe differences from the MAG document and enact these changes by ordinance. Paul expressed a desire for MAG agencies that were not voting/attending members to attend the committee meetings so that they would be more likely to utilize the standards without variances.

Gordon Tyus gave an update on the process for amending the MAG standards to include this year's case work. He noted that a summary of changes is first sent to the various agency Public Works directors for review and then to the Regional Council for approval. Gordon asked all members to update information on their Public Works directors to insure his listing is correct. He will post the cases on the MAG website and requests case authors review them to insure that they are correct. Any changes need to be provided to him as soon as possible (within the next two weeks).

6. Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 3:08 p.m.