

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

January 7, 2009

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 Kandararis, SRP, Vice Chairman	Bill Davis, NUCA
James Carusone, ARPA	

MAG ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

Gordon Tyus

* Members not attending or represented by proxy.

GUESTS/VISITORS

Thomas Wilhite, City of Tempe
Arturo Chavarria, Hansen Pipe and Precast

1. Call to Order

Chairman, Bob Herz, called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

2. Approval of Minutes

The members reviewed the October 8, 2008 meeting minutes. Jim Badowich introduced a motion to accept the minutes as written. Jesse Gonzalez seconded the motion. A voice vote of all ayes and no nays was recorded.

3. 2008 Cases (old cases)

a. **Case 08-10 – Modification to Trench Backfill and Pavement Replacement, Detail 200, Section 336 and Section 601:** Revisions to reduce numerous agency trench backfill and pavement replacement supplemental details by combining the most common practices. Peter Kandaris provided case revisions to the committee that incorporated comments from MCDOT and City of Tempe. The revisions include a second detail showing longitudinal and transverse trench repairs in plan view. Members were reminded that the goal of the case is not necessarily to eliminate agency supplements, but to update the details and specifications so that agency supplements can be reduced in scope and size. The case incorporates many concepts from existing agency supplements. Committee members are encouraged to review the case and provide additional comments as soon as possible so that the case can get resolved this year.

4. 2009 Cases (new cases)

a. **Case 09-01 – Modification to Detectable Warnings, Section 340.2.1:** Update detectable warning specifications to conform to current ADA requirements. Bob Herz presented proposed modifications to Section 340.2.1 that denote revised truncated dome dimensions and spacing in accordance with the latest ADA requirements. Committee members are requested to review the proposal and return with comments for the next meeting.

5. General Discussion:

Peter Kandaris requested committee concurrence to proceed with updating sections of the MAG standards specifying dust palliative materials and application, and prepare new MAG sections for geosynthetic fabrics used in construction. Dust palliative products and their use have changed significantly since the specifications were last updated in 2000. He also noted that many agencies currently use geosynthetic products, but there are no material or placement specifications within the MAG documents. There was general agreement to proceed with drafting cases for committee review.

John Ashley announced that the concrete modernization subcommittee will next meet at 1:00 pm on Wednesday January 14th at the ARPA offices (916 W. Adams Street, Phoenix). He also inquired about reactivating the supplements subcommittee. Members requested that he update the case list developed last year by the subcommittee and provided this at the next meeting for discussion.

Jim Bond introduced Thomas Wilhite as the future committee representative from the City of Tempe. Tempe was requested to submit a letter to the committee to confirm the change.

Gordon Tyus gave an explanation of the new MAG GovDelivery electronic information distribution system that is being implemented to reduce paper mailings and provide more rapid communication. Members are requested to inform others in their agencies of this system so that interested recipients of the committee's work can sign up for the service. He also requested that members update their contact information.

6. Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 2:12 p.m.