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Meeting Minutes Dec 7, 2011

Attendance: Bill Adamson, Renee Fontaine-Ebel, Tony Crosby, Bill Hill (SAV), Jim Jordan, John (JP) Pilger, Mary Reynolds, Len Wilson, Chuck Hill

JP called the meeting to order at 3 PM.

- 1) The minutes of the Nov 2, 2011 meeting were approved.
- 2) Bill Hill said that a SAV recruiter would like to brief group on volunteer opportunities. The Comm agreed that a better approach would be to send information out via email to the various bicycle lists.
- 3) Status of Projects and Advocacies:
 - a) Town of Sahuarita – Mary has investigated the bike/ped route under I-19 and found it is not certain if the HOA or TOS has responsibility. For the present call the Town to report maintenance problems. On other matters, she reported that final touches are being made for the LAB Platinum application (results expected in March, 2012) and last month's T-PCBAC meeting discussed the proposed texting while driving ban for Tucson.
 - b) Quail Creek – JP and others praised the new pathway entrance for pedestrians and cyclists at the back gate of Quail Creek.
 - c) Mission Rd – Bill presented, and the Comm later endorsed, a letter to Mr. Huckleberry asking for his support moving forward several transportation safety improvements involving the Tohono O'Odham Nation. The most urgent need is for the funded paved shoulders on Mission Rd between Drexel and San Xavier Rd but others mentioned are shoulders for San Xavier Rd., a link between the Mission and the LOOP, and the Anza Trail connection between Sahuarita and the Santa Cruz River Park at Valencia.
 - d) SCVBAC Objectives – Bill lead a discussion to update the SCVBAC Master Plan. He will incorporate the changes and Chuck will put the plan on the website.
 - e) SCVBAC Encouragement – Renee brought up the topic of a 'list serve' to facilitate people getting together for informal rides. Chuck was asked to investigate. JP said he wants to beef up the content of the Chamber or Commerce website.
 - f) T-PCBAC Enforcement – Tony praised the work Colin Forbes has done automating the review of accidents involving cyclists and his plan to present accident data on a public website.
 - g) East Frontage Road – Bill said he will meet with Tom Martinez before the next T & A to discuss signage to minimize bicycle traffic on the WFR south of Continental.
 - h) West Desert Preserve – Bill mentioned the upcoming quarterly meeting with Freeport-McMoRan scheduled for Dec 13. He said Pima County is revising its agreement with Marley Ranch and the auction to the state land, which includes the WDP, may proceed in the first quarter of 2012.

- i) GVC T & A – Jim reported on a kickoff meeting held today for the Esperanza/I-19 traffic enhancement grant. The project will include bike lanes, ADA compliant sidewalk ramps, and other enhancements for Esperanza between Abrego and La Canada. Final scoping is due June, 2012. The Abrego shoulder is forecast to be completed in Jan or Feb.
- 4) Publicity/Events/Education/Website – Chuck mentioned the Ride of Silence on the third Wednesday of May; JP mentioned Cyclovia Tucson on May 18; Tony mentioned the inaugural Nogales Bicycle Classic on May 12; Bill mentioned the Beyond activities planned for Jan 7; Chuck said SCVBAC website hits were up with an average visit of 70 per day.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:25 PM. The next meeting is scheduled for Jan 4, 2012.

Tony Crosby, Scribe