

PORA Roads, Safety and Traffic Committee November 20, 2013 Minutes

Attendees: Merlyn Carlson/Chairman, James West, Marshall Oaks, Harry Abramowski, MCDOT: Dan Clements, John Counts.

1. Meeting was called to order at 1:30 p.m. Merlyn Carlson
2. Minutes of October 23, 2013, were approved as amended. Merlyn Carlson

3. Current Updates:

MCDOT: Dan Clements:

- About 20% of the crack seals are done in Sun City West.
- Slurry seal project will start Monday, December 2nd.

MCDOT: John Counts:

- Via Montoya/Via Manana and Executive Way has a new stop sign.
- Parkwood Dr. and 125rd Ave. the request for a four-way stop has been added to our list to study.
- The golf cart crossing street markings on Granite Valley Dr. just north of the hospital were removed with the street resurfacing and will not be replaced. There are signs.
- 151th Ave. and Heritage Dr. intersection has had a few accidents and we were requested to take a look at the last meeting. The street is clear; you can see the stop sign on Heritage Dr. for several hundred feet. It seems to be people not paying attention.

Q: Marshall Oaks: The intersection of Spanish Garden and Aleppo, would it help if the west side of the street had a no parking sign?

A: John Counts: The way the road turns, the parked cars are not a vision problem. We have looked at that intersection for the last 10 years and it does not warrant a four-way sign.

Q: Merlyn Carlson: Any progress on the intersection of El Mirage Road, Picerne Drive and Bell Road?

A: John Counts: The project started last week. The construction was scheduled between November and April; the construction was delayed on the project to accommodate migrating bats living in the culvert. This project has a small window of time to complete and will have both day and night construction work to help with the time restraints.

Q: Wayne Hendrickson: On El Mirage Rd. will speed be changed to faster than the posted 45?

A: John Counts: No.

4. Old Business:

Merlyn Carlson: Good news regarding the 303 from Grand (US 60) to Happy Valley Road, construction will be starting next year ahead of the original 2019 start date. That project will also include new interchange at El Mirage and the 303, along with the completion of the sound wall.

Merlyn Carlson: PORA and the Posse have prepared a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) that will help the Posse going after grants. The MOU also identifies that the Posse will maintain and move the electronic traffic sign in the future.

5. New Business:

Merlyn Carlson: The 53 acres owned by MCDOT at the west end of Deer Valley Drive has a bid on it and will go to auction spring 2014. It is presently zoned R43.

6. Adjournment: 2:05 P.M.

Motion: by Marshall Oaks to skip having a December meeting was seconded and passed unanimously.

Next Meeting: Wednesday **January 22, 2014 @ 1:30 p.m.**