

**DOWNTOWN LINKS
CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE (DLCAC)
RTA VALUE ANALYSIS (VA) REVIEW
SUBCOMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, February 26, 2013**

From: TDOT Project Manager Tom Fisher

RTA VA SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chair, John Burr, Armory Park Neighborhood Association
Kylie Walzak, Tucson-Pima Bicycle Advisory Committee
Gail Ryser, Barrio Anita Neighborhood Association
Richard Mayers, West University Neighborhood Association

PROJECT TEAM PRESENT:

Tom Fisher, City of Tucson Department of Transportation
Joan Beckim, Kaneen Advertising and Public Relations
Michael Bertram, HDR Engineering, Inc.
Brent Kirkman, HDR Engineering, Inc.

CAC MEMBERS PRESENT

Christopher Carroll, El Presidio Neighborhood Association

1. <u>Meeting Called to Order</u> Quorum confirmed. The meeting was called to order at 5:34 p.m. at Armory Park Senior Center.
2. <u>Introduction of Committee Members and Staff</u> DLCAC and Project Team members introduced themselves.
3. <u>Elect a Chair for DLCAC RTA VA Review Subcommittee</u> John Burr was nominated by Richard Mayers, and the motion was seconded by Kylie Walzak, and passed unanimously.
4. <u>Announcements</u> No announcements at this time.
5. <u>Staff Reports and Presentations to DLCAC RTA VA Review Subcommittee</u> The purpose of this meeting was to go over the RTA Value Analysis Proposal Summary Table, and to individually discuss each of the proposals that were needed for further discussion among the DLCAC members. Michael Bertram from HDR Engineering, Inc. discussed each proposal item and any changes that had been made to the table after TDOT's recommendations.

As the meeting progressed, and each value analysis item was discussed, it was determined that the discussion team would add key elements to the RTA Value Analysis Proposal Summary Table to facilitate a summary on how a decision was made.

Proposal number P01-012 - At the February 26, 2013 meeting DLCAC subcommittee members agreed to recommend accepting this proposal to the CAC, as long as the traffic report recommendations are detailed in the “analysis” column of the RTA Value Analysis Proposal Summary Table. HDR Engineering, Inc. has since updated the “analysis” column of the table. No formal motions were made, but the subcommittee will bring the above recommendations to the full Downtown Links CAC.

Proposal number P01-041- Was declined by TDOT. At the February 26, 2013 meeting DLCAC subcommittee members agreed to support the decision, and agreed to accept TDOT’s recommendation to decline the RTA (VA) proposal to the CAC. No formal motions were made, but the subcommittee will bring the above recommendations to the full Downtown Links CAC.

Proposal number P01-062- This proposal is pending and will be discussed by the DLCAC following the meeting with the railroad.

Proposal number P01-007- This proposal is pending and will be discussed by the DLCAC following the meeting with the railroad.

Proposal number P01-008- This proposal is pending and will be discussed by the DLCAC following the meeting with the railroad.

Proposal number P01-052- This proposal is pending and will be discussed by the DLCAC following the meeting with the railroad.

Proposal number P01-002- This proposal is pending and will be discussed by the DLCAC following the meeting with the railroad.

Proposal number P01-014- Was declined by TDOT. At the February 26, 2013 meeting DLCAC subcommittee members agreed to support the decision, and agreed to accept TDOT’s recommendation to decline the RTA (VA) proposal and to accept moving forward with the 9th Avenue Deck Park alternative. No formal motions were made but the subcommittee will bring the above recommendations to the full Downtown Links CAC.

Proposal number P01-079- TDOT has elected to proceed with the 9th Avenue Deck Park rather than a 9th Avenue Pedestrian Bridge. Draft interior pier configuration requirements have been determined as part of the Draft Feasibility Report that was submitted to TDOT for review on February 25, 2013. TDOT declined proposal number P01-079 (to combine columns on the 9th Avenue underpass into a single column). At the February 26, 2013 meeting DLCAC subcommittee members agreed to support the decision to decline this proposal to the CAC and to accept moving forward with the 9th Avenue Deck Park

alternative. No formal motions were made, but the subcommittee members will bring the above recommendations to the full Downtown Links CAC.

Proposal number P01-083- Was discussed and members agreed that the proposal was a minor cost for what could be great potential savings. At the February 26, 2013 meeting DLCAC subcommittee members agreed to accept TDOT's recommendation and/or final determination to accept the RTA (VA) proposal to the CAC. No formal motions were made, but the subcommittee will bring the above recommendations to the full Downtown Links CAC.

Proposal number P01-034- There was a discussion on alternative procurement methods. The DLCAC subcommittee members addressed and discussed the estimated \$12 million savings for this proposal. There were questions answered about the CAC's role and input when it comes to using alternative procurement methods and estimated savings. The DLCAC subcommittee members addressed the concept that if the budget projected were to change at all, the DLCAC would need to be made aware of any of those projected changes. The DLCAC requests that they not be subverted by the RTA Value Analysis Process.

Proposal number SR01-022- TDOT accepted proposal number SR01-022. The DLCAC subcommittee members discussed this proposal and agreed to support TDOT's recommendation to the CAC. The subcommittee members also requested that passive traffic calming methods be implemented into the proposal and then be presented to the CAC as final design progresses. No formal motions were made but the subcommittee will bring the above recommendations to the full Downtown Links CAC.

Proposal number SR01-038- TDOT accepted proposal number SR01-038 with modification. TDOT's recommendation was that the final design scope calls for the installation of conduit at this intersection in support of a future warrant study. The DLCAC subcommittee members discussed this proposal and agreed to support TDOT's recommendation and/or final determination to the CAC. No formal motions were made, but the subcommittee will bring the above recommendations to the full Downtown Links CAC.

Proposal number SR01-067- TDOT accepted proposal number SR01-067. The DLCAC subcommittee members discussed this proposal and agreed to support TDOT's recommendation to the CAC. No formal motions were made, but the subcommittee will bring the above recommendation to the full Downtown Links CAC.

Proposal number SR01-065 – TDOT accepted proposal number SR01-06. The DLCAC subcommittee members discussed this proposal and agreed to support TDOT's recommendation to the CAC. No formal motions were made, but the subcommittee will bring the above recommendations to the full Downtown Links CAC.

Proposal number SR03-005 – TDOT accepted proposal number SR03-005. The DLCAC subcommittee members discussed this proposal and agreed to support TDOT's recommendation to the CAC as a formality since TDOT is currently performing this work separate from the Downtown Links Project. No formal motions were made, but the subcommittee members will bring the above recommendations to the full Downtown Links CAC.

6. Next Steps

Items for Future Meetings

Finish review of the Value Analysis Proposal Summary Table.

Future Meeting Dates

A DLCAC meeting was scheduled for March 5, 2013 at 5:30 p.m at Armory Park Senior Center.

7. Call to the Audience

No audience member addressed the DLCAC.

8. Adjournment

Adjourned at 7:21 p.m.