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TRANSPORTATION COORDINATING COMMITTEE MINUTES OF JULY 7, 2011, REGULAR MEETING

MEMBERS PRESENT: Bob Meyer, Dennis Stringer, John Tarro, Al Williams

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Ian Mattingly, Doug Kraemer, Sgt. Tim Fletcher, Sgt. Corey Kasun, George Sheats, Jim Knaup

1. The meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m.
2. Dennis Stringer made a motion to approve the May 5, 2011 minutes as written. Motion passed 4-0.
3. Public Input
None.
4. Willow Creek Road Speed Limit (North of Commerce Drive to Pioneer Parkway)
 - a. Discussion – Ian Mattingly presented the results of the Willow Creek Road speed limit study which was conducted to determine if the existing 45 MPH speed limit should be raised to 50 MPH. Staff conducted speed studies at three different locations, one at the north end near south of Pinion Oaks Drive, one near Heritage Park Road and one north of Rummel Road. The 85th percentile speeds were 52.3 MPH southbound, 52.2 MPH southbound and 56.6 northbound; and 58.0 MPH northbound respectively. The speeds seen were discussed and it was agreed that they are an indication that the roadway is under posted and the TCC was in consensus that the speeds should be raised. Ian Mattingly mentioned that Yavapai County has been contacted to request that their portion of Willow Creek Road between Pioneer Parkway and SR89 be considered for a speed increase as well so that the 50 MPH zone will be continuous along Willow Creek Road. Mike Willet with Yavapai County is looking into this and will provide feedback on the County's decision. Discussion of where the speed change on the south end should begin ensued with Al Williams proposing that it should be moved some distance north because of the future signals at Commerce Drive and Prescott Honda. He suggested that an appropriate location might be north of the Heritage Park/Dan Carol intersection. Dennis Stringer then proposed a compromise of placing the new speed zone a distance of 400' to 600' north of the Prescott Honda intersection. This proposal was accepted by the members who gave their endorsement to change the speed limit on Willow Creek Road from 45 MPH to 50 MPH pending County approval of a change on their portion to the north. Staff indicated we would notify Council of the change once we received confirmation from the County.
 - b. Committee Action/Recommendation – No formal vote taken.
5. Rosser Street Striping – Ian Mattingly presented a small sketch showing the current striping plan on Rosser Street and a modified version that increased the bike lane stripe width and

provides a wider bike lane. The item is being brought to the TCC for input since Council has informally directed staff to modify the striping to provide some type of calming effect for area residents. The proposed striping increases the bike lane line width from the standard 6" white line to an 8" white line and provides a 7' - 8' bike lane by narrowing the thru lanes and the turn lane. Ian went on to say that Council feels that this increased bike lane width will keep vehicles further from the curb and provide residents better sight distance for ingress and egress from their drive access. It was offered as an alternative to the traffic calming features which were removed from the project by Council action. Al Williams stated that the changes will be ineffective and will not calm traffic or improve safety. Dennis Stringer concurred and a general consensus of the TCC was that the striping would have no effect. No action was taken.

6. Traffic Engineer Discussion Items – Ian Mattingly reported that the traffic signals on Willow Creek Road will begin construction in August.
7. Traffic Sergeant Enforcement Issues – Sergeant Corey Kasun was introduced by Sergeant Fletcher as his replacement on the Committee. Sergeant Fletcher mentioned that P.D. is getting complaints about the Copper Basin Road @ Highland Avenue multi-way stop. P.D. has been instructed to have a presence in the area and enforce the stop and they are finding that people who are running it are just missing it. Ian Mattingly requested that as complaints are received they be copied to Transportation Services for tracking as they keep records for future meetings, etc.
8. Chairman's Report – Nothing to report.

Meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.



Ian Mattingly, Minute Preparer



Robert E. Meyer, Chairman