The regular meeting of the Citizens Transportation Oversight Commission (CTOC) was called to order by the Chair, Betsy Turner. The following Commission members, staff representatives and guests were present:

COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT: Betsy Turner, Chair
Norman Cooper
Allan DeFranco
John Fernandes
Larry Kucera
Jennifer Martino
James Podzius
James Sanders

COMMISSION MEMBERS ABSENT: Rose Jacobson, Vice-chair (Excused)
Theresa Collett (Excused)
Neva Johnson (Excused)

OTHERS PRESENT: Terry Johnson, Deputy Transportation Director
Bob Darr, Transportation Planning Manager
Allan Grover, Transportation Planner
Purab Adabala, Senior Transportation Analyst
Sandy Adams, Traffic Education Program Manager
Chris Lemka, Principal Traffic Engineer

I. CALL TO ORDER
Chair Turner called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM.

II. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES
Chair Turner called for approval of the minutes.

ACTION BY CTOC: Approval of the minutes of September 4, 2008 meeting of the Citizens Transportation Oversight Commission.
(Motion: Commissioner Podzius, Second: Commissioner Kucera; unanimously passed)
III. CALL TO THE AUDIENCE
There were no comments from the floor.

IV. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA
Chair Turner called for approval of the agenda.

ACTION BY CTOC: Approval of the October 2, 2008 Agenda of the Citizens Transportation Oversight Commission, with the deletion of item #7.
(Motion: Commissioner Martino; Second: Commissioner Podzius; unanimously passed)

V. MANAGER’S REPORT
Terry Johnson, Deputy Transportation Director, reported on the following Glendale transportation projects: (1) Northern Parkway – status of the IGA, DCR, and EA, (2) Grand Avenue Improvements – status of the DCR and completed and planned right-of-way acquisitions, (3) intersection projects completed and underway, and (4) transit, pedestrian, and bicycle projects completed within the past year.

Commissioner Podzius asked about security for the light rail system? Mr. Johnson replied that Valley Metro will contract for security service for LRT in the cities of Tempe and Mesa. In Phoenix, Phoenix will contract for security services.

VI. PUBLIC INPUT – COMMISSIONERS AND STAFF
Chair Turner announced that the Bicycle Committee met with Valley Metro staff and Sandy Adams (Glendale’s Traffic Education Manager) to present the B.A.G. – I.T. program to promote bus ridership by providing training for transit use. This program will also be open to the general public. (B.A.G. – I.T. stands for “Bus and Gus Individual Training”).

VII. LIGHT RAIL TRANSIT UPDATE
This item was deleted and will be rescheduled to a future Commission meeting.

VIII. NEIGHBORHOOD TRAFFIC MITIGATION
Chris Lemka, Principal Traffic Engineer, presented information on neighborhood traffic studies, neighborhood traffic management techniques, requests for new traffic signs and street striping, and other types of neighborhood traffic safety requests. Mr. Lemka stated that traffic studies are performed at approximately 30 locations each year, however, there are approximately 200 requests per year for traffic studies.

Mr. Lemka stated that there are 170 existing speed humps in the city that will be replaced with speed cushions over the next five years.

Commissioner Sanders voiced his approval for increased use of the wider speed cushions rather than speed humps. Commissioner DeFranco also stated that the recent application of street striping has worked very well in his neighborhood to improve traffic safety.
IX. TRAFFIC EDUCATION PROGRAM
Sandy Adams, Traffic Education Program Manager, presented an overview of the Glendale Traffic Education Program, including information on the following activities:
- Transportation education presentations at Council member community events
- Bike helmet distribution
- Working with police and fire department support groups
- Motorcycle awareness program coordinated with the State’s program
- Bike Rodeo
- Annual Glendale Family Bike Ride
- Bike to Breakfast Event
- Transit user training programs (Bus Buddies, B.A.G. – I. T.)
- Safe Routes to School Program
- P.A.C.E. – Parent and Children Education Program
- Crosswalk guard training with MAG staff
- Trip reduction program entitled “Travel Green” which provides city employees with bus cards, free bicycle use for commute to work, and car or van pooling options.

Sandy Adams also announced that next Wednesday, October 6, is the Glendale Walk and Bike Day event at Greenbriar School.

X. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS
Commissioners requested the following agenda items:
- LRT Update
- Rubberized Asphalt / Materials and Application

XI. NEXT MEETING DATE AND TIME
Meeting times are being targeted for 7:00 PM on the first Thursday of the month. The next meeting is scheduled for November 7, 2008.

XII. ADJOURNMENT
Chair Turner adjourned the meeting at 8:20 PM.

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Betsy Turner, Chair