



TRANSIT ON THE MOVE

A Major Transit Investment Study For Tucson

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To: Members and Observers of the Transit on the Move Community Liaison Group (CLG)

From: Shellie Ginn – City of Tucson Department of Transportation Project Manager

Subject: Project Update

Dear Community Liaison Group (CLG) Member,

The following is a brief update on the City of Tucson Major Transit Investment Study since our last CLG meeting in February 2007. First and foremost, we are excited to report that the City of Tucson Mayor and Council unanimously approved the revised Locally Preferred Alternative (LPA) for the modern streetcar on April 4, 2007. The revised LPA was necessary to reflect changes to the project definition for the modern streetcar, including:

- Re-design of the 4th Avenue underpass
- Decision to maintain the one-way traffic on Congress Street and Broadway Boulevard
- Relocation of the alignment from the Greenway to Granada Avenue
- Relocation of Cushing Street adjacent to the future Río Nuevo cultural plaza
- New west terminus at Avenida del Convento and Congress Street
- Relocation of the maintenance and storage facility to the Stevens Avenue right-of-way adjacent to Downtown Links

The approved LPA will allow the project team to complete the Draft Environmental Assessment (EA) and begin Advanced Conceptual Engineering. It is expected the Draft EA will be completed in Fall 2007.

The EA and the conceptual design plans will be the subject of our next CLG meeting. We currently do not have a date set for this meeting but will keep you posted.

If you were unable to attend February's CLG meeting, please view the summary notes and presentation on the project website, www.tucsontransitstudy.com. If you would like a copy mailed to you, or have questions or comments feel free to direct them to Joan Beckim or Angela Stith at (520) 624-5656 or email them at information@tucsontransitstudy.com.

Thank you again for your participation in the City of Tucson Major Transit Investment Study.

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