

**INFORMAL SESSION  
February 13, 2006**

The Board of Supervisors of Maricopa County Arizona convened in Informal Session at 10:00 a.m., February 13, 2006, in the Board of Supervisors' Conference Room, 301 W. Jefferson, Phoenix, Arizona, with the following members present: Don Stapley, Chairman, District 2; Fulton Brock, Vice Chairman, District 1, Andrew Kunasek, District 3 and Max W. Wilson, District 4. Absent: Mary Rose Wilcox, District 5. Also present: Fran McCarroll, Clerk of the Board; Cassandra Harris, Administrative Coordinator; David Smith, County Manager; Paul Golab, Deputy County Attorney and Bruce White, County Counsel. Votes of the Members will be recorded as follows: aye-nay-absent-abstain.

**AZTECH REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PARTNERSHIP INFORMATION SYSTEM**

Item: The Maricopa County Department of Transportation and AZTech Regional Transportation Partnership have developed a system that provides valley motorists with traffic information about valley freeways. This new system was installed and is in operation at the new car rental center at Sky Harbor International Airport. The information gives estimated travel times on the freeways to various valley locations. Two monitors will be installed in the County Administration Building, providing information to county employees and visitors. (C2006029M00) (ADM2012-001)

Al Macias, Director, Office of Communications  
Faisal Saleem, ITS Coordinator for MCDOT, ITS Arizona President,  
Member of AZTech Operations Committee  
Mike Ellegood, Maricopa County Public Works Director  
Tomas Guerra, MCDOT Project Engineer, OZ Engineering  
Nicolaas Swart, MCDOT Manager, Traffic Engineering & ITS

Mr. Ellegood stated that in 1996 the Federal Government began looking at ways of increasing the capacity to track and report on road situations across the country and Maricopa County was selected to participate in this exciting new technology program, which will better serve the citizens of Maricopa County. He reported that four monitors have recently been deployed at the Sky Harbor Airport to provide timely freeway traffic information to arriving travelers and identify possible alternate routes for travel to their destination if there was an accident.

Al Macias reported that this program will also be installed at County facilities. The first two stations will be on the first floor of the Administration Building and on the employee bridge connecting the garage to the Administration Building. He reported that "in addition to providing information about traffic and road conditions, there would be other county news displayed to the approximately 1,000 employees at the Maricopa County Administration Building." Discussions have also been held with Robert James to provide jurors with the same access to traffic information, which would be in real time. Mr. Macias referred to the slide presentation, which indicated the travel time from downtown Phoenix to the East and West Valleys. He stated that "eventually this information would be rolled out to other key locations, i.e. major malls as well as other County locations." The information would calculate the travel time beginning at wherever the kiosk is located and would include any reported accidents on those routes in real time.

Mr. Guerra referred to the slide presentation and stated that the new system would help travelers see where the congestion and/or accidents were on the freeway system and enable them to take a different route before starting their travels. He stated that updates were collected every three minutes from the ADOT Freeway Management System on specific freeways and roads. Travel times are posted to various locations along the roadway so the traveler can see how long it will take to travel a particular route. At the bottom of the display screen (which will be on a 40 inch monitor) other information will be cycled through, e.g. #511 (the telephone number that can be called to obtain real time traffic information that would not be included on the instrumented portion of the monitor).

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Responding to Chairman Stapley's question if this information could be accessed through a website, Mr. Guerra stated that ADOT does have a Website called "AZ511.com" which contains similar information in an interactive format. Discussion ensued regarding the six sites where the ADOT information was located, the travel times from exit to exit and the kiosk locations at the Rental Car Center at the airport.

Supervisor Brock asked what other and how many sites are being considered and if Maricopa County is going to continue to share in the federal funding. Mr. Ellegood responded that the program is a federal partnership and Maricopa County has minimal funds invested. He stated that "Maricopa County is moving slowly and, along with ADOT, already has a lot of the information internally to manage traffic. A number of the AZTECH Executive Committee members share the opinion that if the program is to be successful there is a need to make it something that, once the public would see it in operation, they would want. As a result, AZTECH is rolling this program out as resources become available and, ideally, it could be placed in malls, with major employers and in building lobbies. There are unlimited applications of its use. However, AZTECH does need to roll it out slowly to make sure that this is what the public wants."

Chairman Stapley added that it would be interesting if the program could be linked to a GIS system where travelers, who had that capability in their cars, could simply download the information in real time and have the same data that is shown on the monitors. Mr. Ellegood agreed and said, "That is what AZTECH is hoping for eventually." There was discussion if Maricopa County employees could access this information from their computers and have it as a default screen for their desk top or work station. Mr. Ellegood responded that "AZ511.com is a Website that could certainly be used for that purpose."

Mr. Smith asked how the interrelationship works between the Statewide Arizona Technology Council, ADOT, MAG and Maricopa County. Mr. Ellegood replied that, fundamentally, it is partnership, where there are agreements and an understanding between all of the cities, MAG and ADOT and everyone shares in the technology. All of the entities have representation on various committees, are very collaborative and agree this is a worthwhile undertaking. The lead agencies are Maricopa County and ADOT. Mr. Ellegood meets with Victor Mendez (ADOT) about every three months. As far as other cities wanting to join because of growth, Mr. Ellegood explained that this partnership was set-up ten years ago between ADOT and Maricopa County, and the other cities were invited to participate at that time. Some cities are more active than others. If other cities wanted to participate to a greater extent now and it would involve an expenditure of resources, AZTECH would bring the matter to the Board. Currently, it is simply a matter of lending assistance, providing counseling advice and working on matters in a collaborative sense, not involving an expenditure of resources.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Motion was made by Supervisor Brock, seconded by Supervisor Kunasek, and unanimously carried (4-0-1) to recess and reconvene in Executive Session to consider items listed on the Executive Agenda dated February 13, 2006, pursuant to listed statutory authority, as follows.

**LEGAL ADVICE; PENDING OR CONTEMPLATED LITIGATION – ARS §38-431.03(A)(3) and (A)(4)**

**1. Compromise Cases – Barbara Caldwell, Outside Counsel**

Chavez, Guadalupe  
Flores, Marcus  
Hooks, Deondria

Jackson, Verlene  
Timoney, Frank James

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**LEGAL ADVICE – ARS §38-431.03(A)(3)**

2. **Cave Creek Landfill Consent Order**  
Joy Rich, Assistant County Manager  
William Thornton, Director, Solid Waste  
Rita Neill, Risk Management  
Derrick Spoelman, Risk Management  
Kevin Costello, Deputy County Attorney

**PENDING OR CONTEMPLATED LITIGATION – ARS §38-431.03(A)(4)**

3. **BMW Investments v. Maricopa County**  
Mike Ellegood, Director, Public Works  
Joy Rich, Assistant County Manager  
Mike Wilson, Transportation  
Jean Rice, Deputy County Attorney  
Michelle D'Andrea, Deputy County Attorney
4. **Aida Renta v. Maricopa County, CV1996-016474**  
Roberta Livesay, Outside Counsel  
Jean Rice, Deputy County Attorney

**LEGAL ADVICE; PENDING OR CONTEMPLATED LITIGATION; SETTLEMENT DISCUSSIONS  
CONDUCTED IN ORDER TO AVOID OR RESOLVE LITIGATION – ARS §38-431.03(A)(3) and (A)(4)**

5. **David Wargo Claim**  
Peter Crowley, Risk Manager  
Ted Howard, Claims Manager  
Richard A. Stewart, Deputy County Attorney

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6. **Settlement Agreement between Business Services Director of Public Health and Maricopa County**  
David Smith, County Manager  
Sandi Wilson, Deputy County Manager  
Dr. Jacquelynn Meeks, Director, Public Health  
Mary C. Cronin, Deputy County Attorney

**PURCHASE, SALE OR LEASE OF REAL PROPERTY– ARS §38-431.03(A)(7)**

7. **City of Peoria's purchase of 38.55 acres of county property**  
Tom Manos, Chief Financial Officer  
Dennis Lindsey, Manager, Real Estate Services Department  
William Riske, Deputy County Attorney

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**LEGAL ADVICE; PENDING OR CONTEMPLATED LITIGATION -- ARS §38-431.03(A)(3) AND (A)(4)**

8. Advice regarding legal issues and options concerning County Regional School District/ Accommodations School funding and audit issues.  
Chris Keller, Chief Counsel, Civil Division  
Sandi Wilson, Deputy County Manager  
Bruce White, Deputy County Attorney  
Brian Hushek, Deputy Budget Director  
Dean Wolcott, Outside Counsel  
Tom Manos, Chief Financial Officer  
Ross Tate, Internal Auditor  
Tom Irvine, Outside Counsel  
Fred Rosenfeld, Outside Counsel

**RECONVENE OPEN SESSION**

Chairman Stapley recessed Executive Session and Reconvened in Open Session. During the Executive Session, Supervisor Wilcox arrived. Supervisors Brock and Kunasek left the meeting during the Executive Session.

**SCHOOL DISTRICT #509 VOUCHER APPROVAL AND RATIFICATION; UPDATE ON OPERATIONS AND FINANCES**

Item: The Board of Supervisors pursuant to its authority granted in A.R.S. §15-1001, will consider for approval vouchers presented by the County School Superintendent of Maricopa County to draw warrants on the County Treasurer against Maricopa County Regional School District #509 School District fund(s) for necessary expenses against the school district and obligations incurred for value received in services as shown in the Vouchers. (Clerk's note: The Clerk of the Board added the following sentence prior to the vote.) The Board resolves to adopt the statutory process provided in ARS §15-321(G) for pre-meeting approval and subsequent ratification of vouchers and warrants. (ADM3814-003)

The Board of Supervisors may consider ratifying any Maricopa County Regional School District #509 vouchers and or warrants approved in accordance with the procedures of A.R.S. §15-321 since the last meeting of the Board of Supervisors. (ADM3814-003)

The Board of Supervisors may hear staff reports on the vouchers and warrants being considered. Also, staff may update the Board on regional schools operations and finances. The Vouchers are on file with the Maricopa County Clerk of the Board's office and are retained in accordance with ASLAPR approved retention schedule. (ADM3814-005)

Motion was made by Supervisor Wilson, seconded by Supervisor Wilcox, and unanimously carried (3-0-2) to approve the following vouchers:

- **Voucher 5147 partial** **\$ 1,622.47**
- **Voucher 5147 partial** **\$ 21,249.29**
- **Voucher 5148 partial** **\$ 6,005.34**
- **Voucher 5148 partial** **\$ 625.81**
- **Voucher 117** **\$334,296.82**

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**MEETING ADJOURNED**

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

ATTEST:

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Don Stapley, Chairman of the Board

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Fran McCarroll, Clerk of the Board