



## COUNCIL MINUTES

July 1, 2015

The City Council of the City of Mesa met in a Study Session in the lower level meeting room of the Council Chambers, 57 East 1st Street, on July 1, 2015 at 5:20 p.m.

### COUNCIL PRESENT

John Giles  
Dennis Kavanaugh  
David Luna  
Dave Richins  
Kevin Thompson

### COUNCIL ABSENT

Alex Finter  
Christopher Glover

### OFFICERS PRESENT

Christopher Brady  
Debbie Spinner  
Dee Ann Mickelsen

Mayor Giles excused Councilmembers Finter and Glover from the entire meeting.

#### 1. Review items on the agenda for the July 1 and July 8, 2015 Regular Council meetings.

All of the items on the agendas were reviewed among Council and staff and the following was noted:

Conflict of interest: None

Items deleted from the consent agendas: None

City Engineer Beth Huning displayed a PowerPoint presentation (**See Attachment 1**) and discussed item 4-n (Southern Avenue Improvements Project, Tempe Canal to Sycamore **(District 3)**) on the July 8, 2015 Regular Council Meeting Agenda.

Planning Director John Wesley displayed a Site Plan (**See Attachment 2**) and provided an overview of item 10-a (Conduct a public hearing on the appeal of the Planning and Zoning Board's denial of the site plan review for Z15-012, 809 North Dobson Road) on the July 8, 2015 Regular Council Meeting Agenda.

#### 2. Appointments to Boards and Committees.

It was moved by Vice Mayor Kavanaugh, seconded by Councilmember Luna, that the Council concur with the Mayor's recommendations and the appointments (**See Attachment 3**) be confirmed.

Mayor Giles declared the motion carried unanimously by those present.

3. Information pertaining to the current Job Order Contracting projects.

(This item was not discussed by the Council.)

4. Approval of minutes from an Executive Session held on June 18, 2015.

It was moved by Councilmember Luna, seconded by Vice Mayor Kavanaugh, that the above-listed minutes be approved.

Mayor Giles declared the motion carried unanimously by those present.

5. Hear reports on meetings and/or conferences attended.

Councilmember Luna stated that the Phoenix Business Journal's Health Care Heroes Program honors medical professionals in the Phoenix area who have improved health care and saved lives. He explained that this year, his Council office nominated the Mesa Fire and Medical Department's Community Care Program, which has proven to be an innovative model that serves the medical needs of the community in unconventional ways.

Councilmember Luna noted that he was pleased to announce that Fire Chief Harry Beck has been selected as one of three finalists for the Innovator Award, while Fire Captain Dale Crogan is also a finalist for the Healthcare Education Award. He added that the winners will be announced at an awards ceremony on August 20, 2015.

Mayor Giles congratulated Chief Beck and Captain Crogan for their dedication to the community.

Vice Mayor Kavanaugh:      Hacienda Children's Hospital Grand Opening Ceremony

In response to an inquiry from Councilmember Thompson, City Engineer Beth Huning clarified that on July 15, 2015, the City of Mesa, the Town of Gilbert and Maricopa County will receive an award from the American Public Works Association (APWA). She explained that the Power Road Knowledge Corridor project, which was a joint effort between the three communities, has been selected as the APWA's Project of the Year in the Large Size Project Category.

6. Scheduling of meetings and general information.

City Manager Christopher Brady stated that the meeting schedule is as follows:

Thursday, July 2, 2015, Study Session – CANCELLED

Saturday, July 4, 2015, 6:00 p.m. – Arizona Celebration of Freedom

Wednesday, July 8, 2015, 5:45 p.m. – Regular Council Meeting

Management Assistant Niel Curley addressed the Council and highlighted the 2015 Community Annual Report, which focuses on City services and projects that have been completed throughout the community. He pointed out that the report is available electronically, as well as through social media.

7. Adjournment.

Without objection, the Study Session adjourned at 5:44 p.m.

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JOHN GILES, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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DEE ANN MICKELSEN, CITY CLERK

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Study Session of the City Council of Mesa, Arizona, held on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of July, 2015. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

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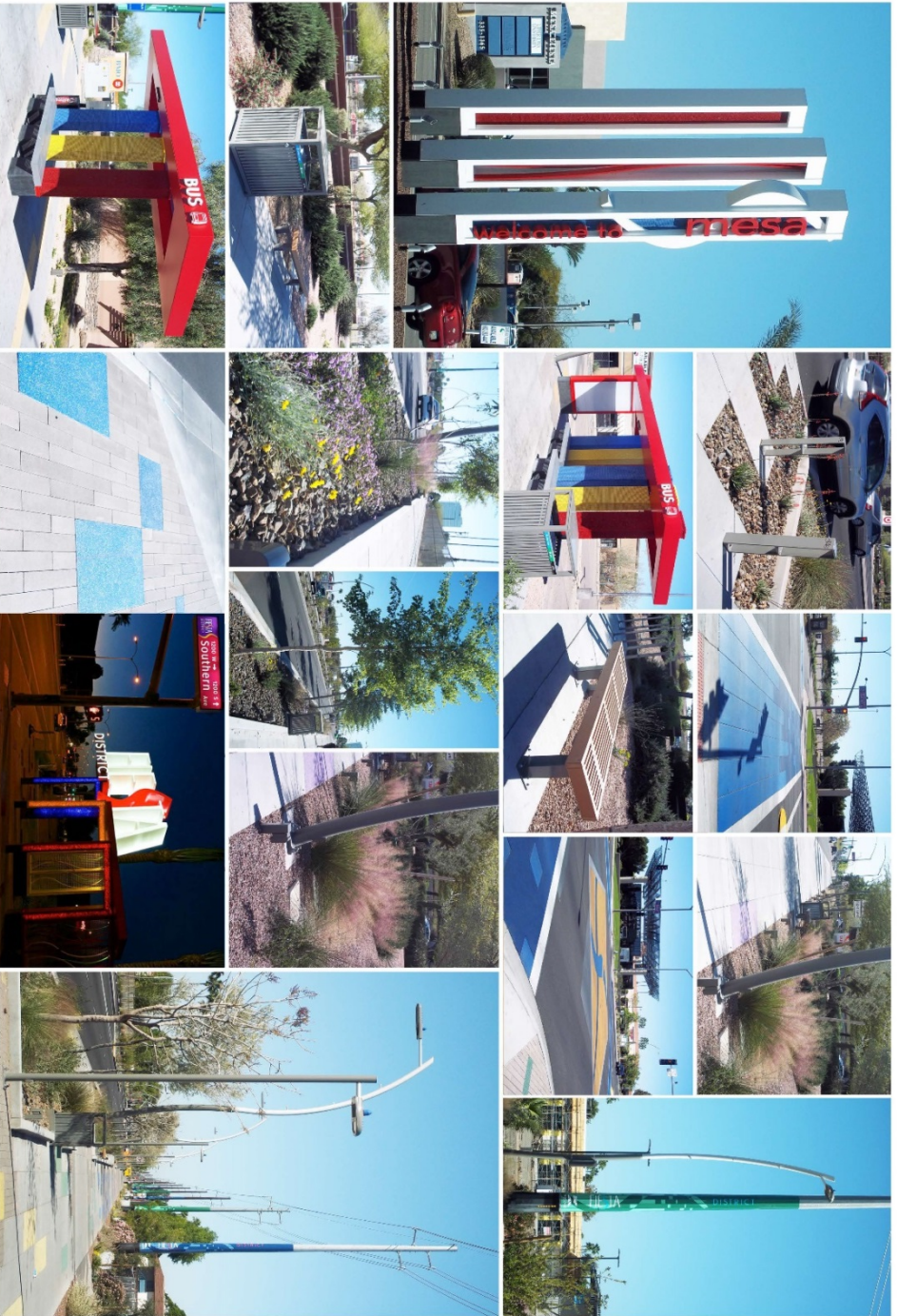
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# Southern Avenue Streetscape Phase II

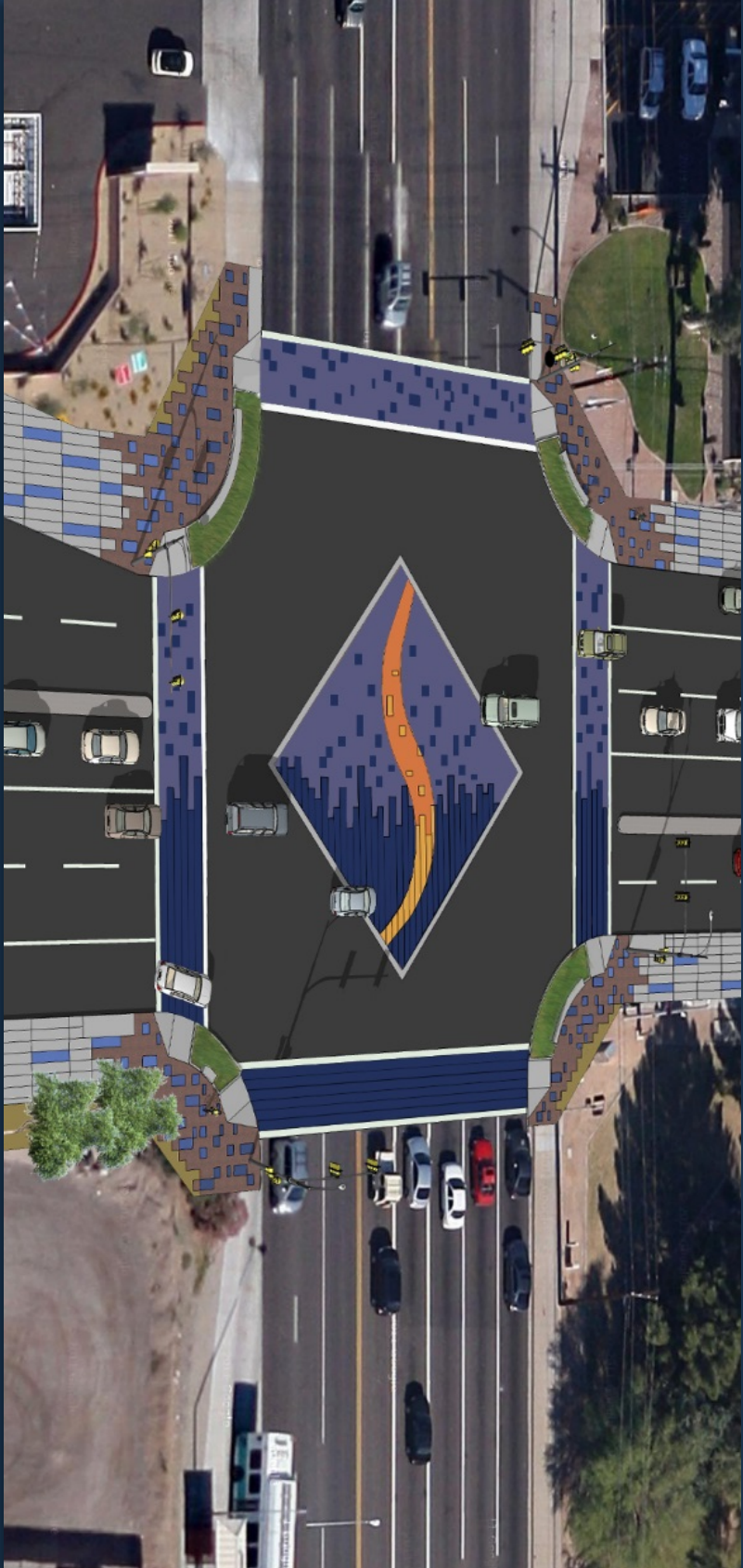
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# Fiesta District Design Elements

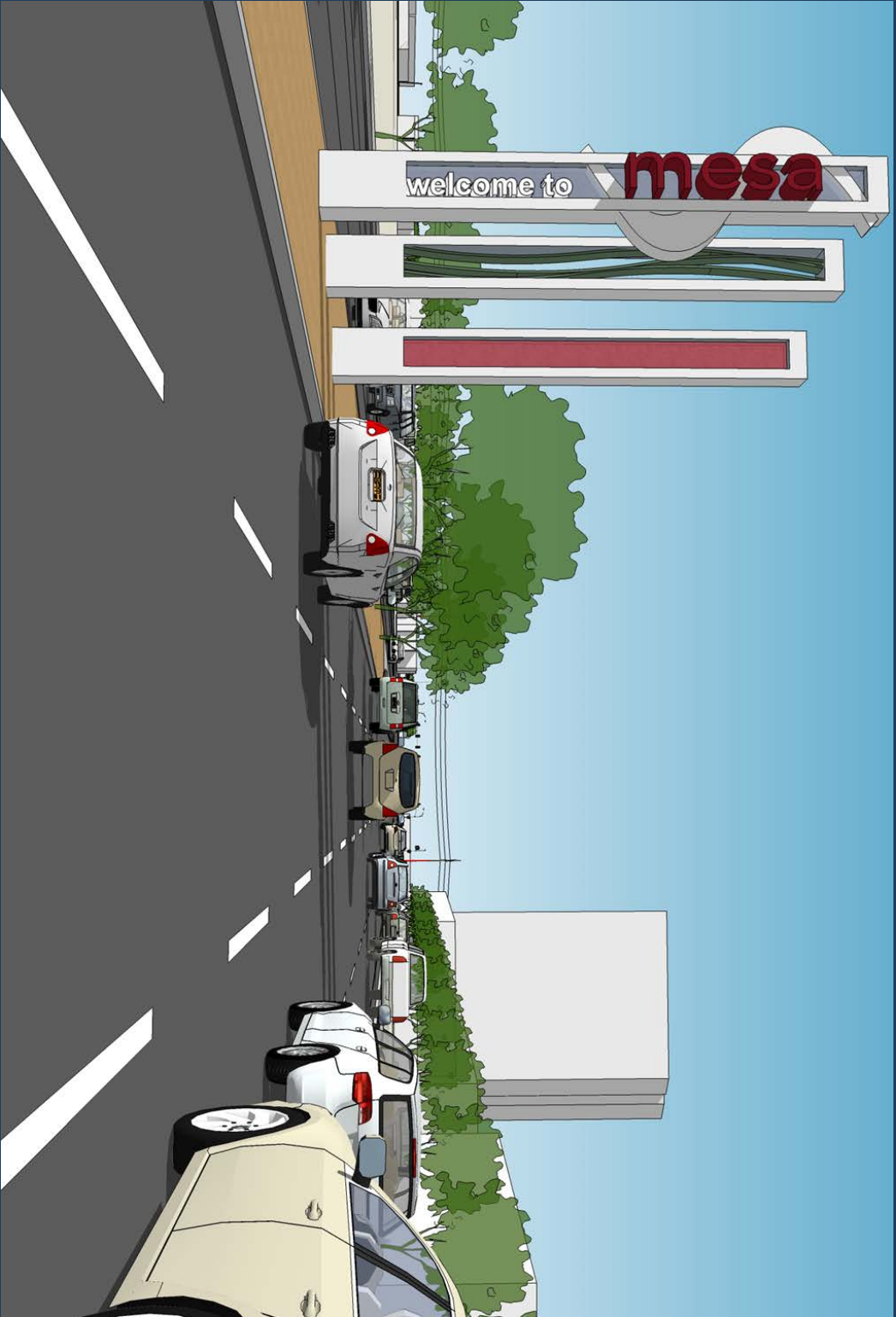


Mesa Fiesta Landscape Elements

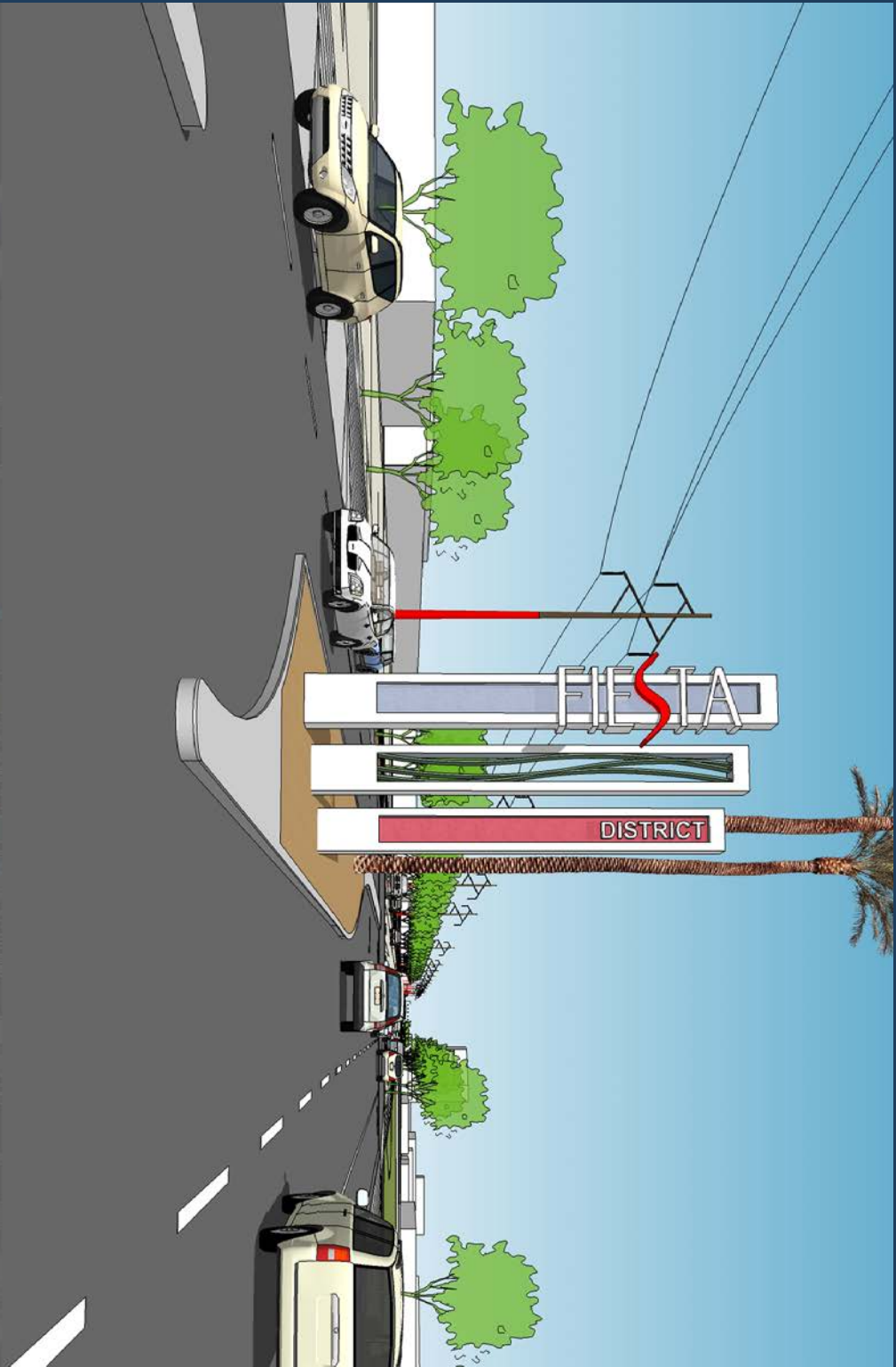
# Birds Eye View Dobson & Southern



# West Entry Monument



# Fiesta District Entry Monument





# Ground Level View

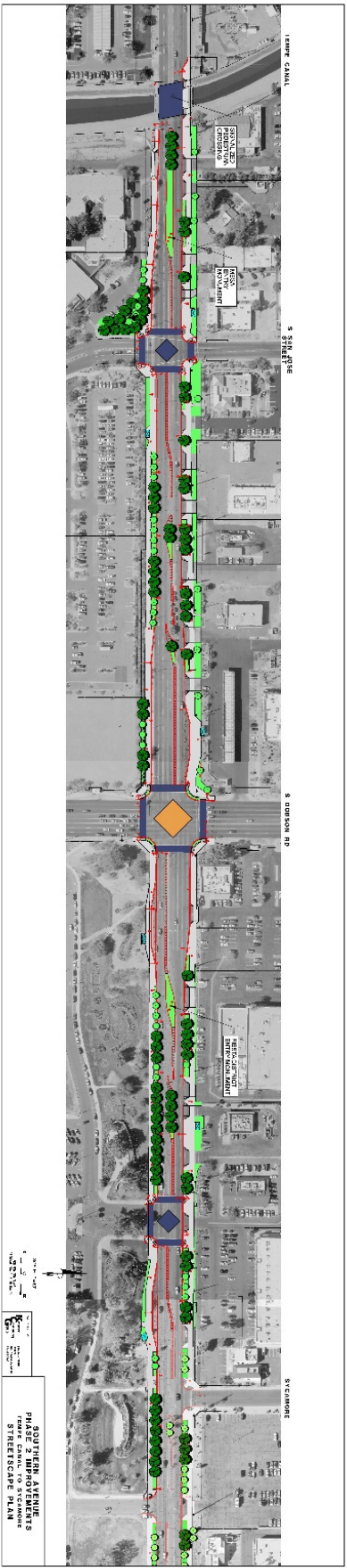


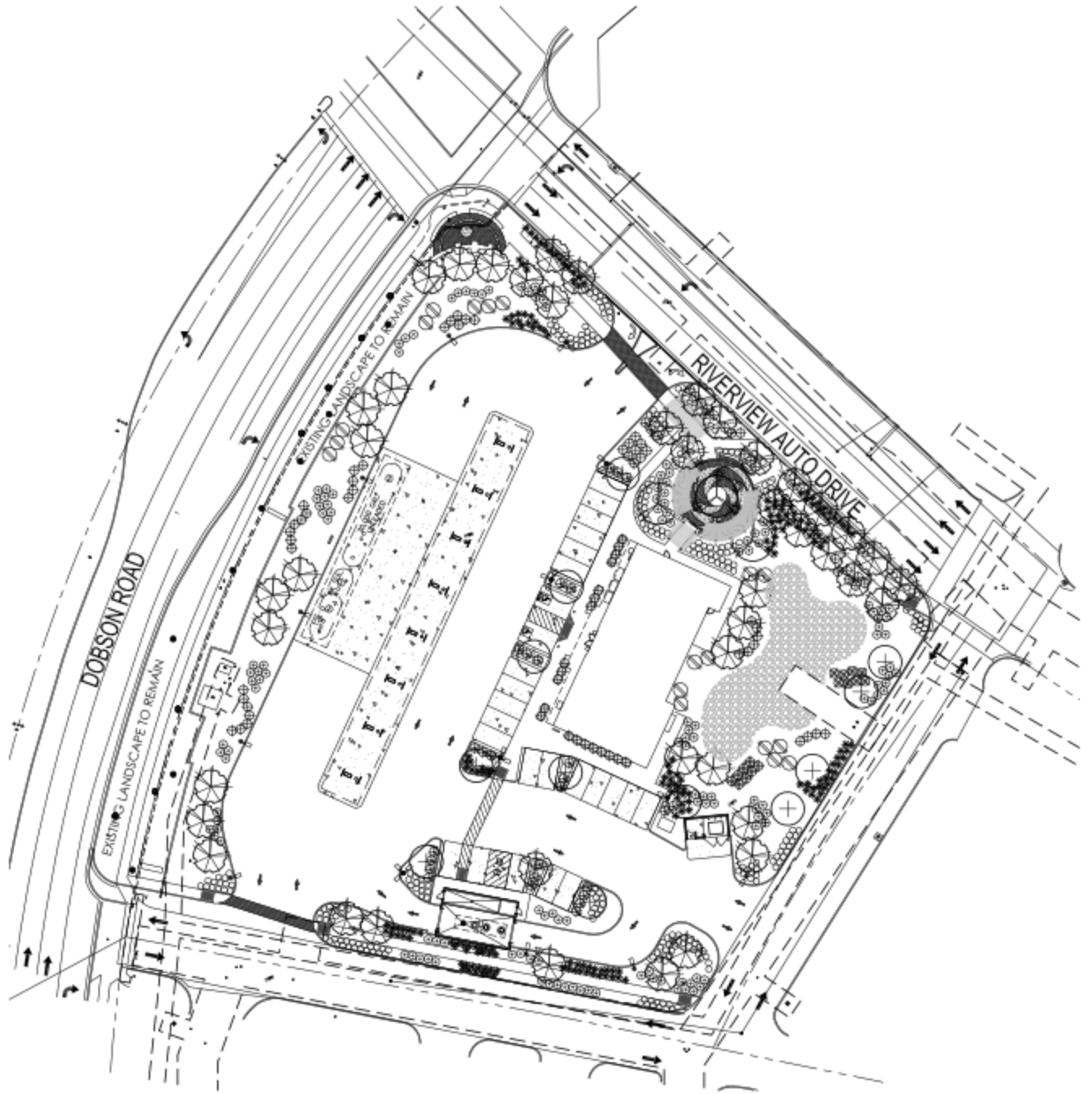
# Questions



1. Southern Avenue Phase 1 – Sycamore to Alma School (Complete)
2. Southern Avenue Paseos – w/o Longmore to Alma School (Ongoing)
3. Southern Avenue Phase 2 – Tempe Canal to Sycamore (New)

# Phase II Plan







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July 1, 2015

TO: CITY COUNCILMEMBERS

FROM: MAYOR JOHN GILES

SUBJECT: Appointments to Boards and Committees

The following are my recommendations for appointments to City of Mesa Advisory Boards and Committees.

**Board of Adjustment** – Seven-member board with one reappointment and two new appointments.

Reappointment:

Ken Rembold, District 5. Mr. Rembold is a realtor with HomeSmart. He has over 30 years experience in real estate, site acquisition, planning, land development and construction operations. Mr. Rembold chaired the Oregon Graduate Realtor's Institute. His term will expire June 30, 2018.

New Appointments:

Steven Curran, District 5. Mr. Curran is retired from Hager Companies and was the past president of the Builders Hardware Manufacturers Association. He holds a bachelor's degree from California State University. Mr. Curran volunteers his time with the Boy Scouts of America, AZBrainfood, and United Food Bank among other agencies. Mr. Curran's term will expire June 30, 2018.

Jessica Sarkissian, District 5. Ms. Sarkissian is a land planner with Bowman Consulting. She holds a bachelor of science in regional development from the University of Arizona and a master of administration from Northern Arizona University. Ms Sarkissian also holds several professional planning association memberships. Her term will expire June 30, 2018.

**Building Board of Appeals** – Nine-member board with four reappointments and one new appointment.

Reappointments:

Wade Felkins, District 2. Mr. Felkins is a registered architect with Landmark Design Architects. He volunteers with the Boy Scouts and with Brumby's Cycling Group. His term expires June 30, 2018.

Wayne Rosendahl, District 1. Mr. Rosendahl is a civil engineer and land surveyor with Rosendahl, Millett & Associates. He holds a bachelor of science from the University of Wyoming. He is a member of Arizona Public Land Surveyors. His term expires June 30, 2018.

Tom Stapley, District 1. Mr. Stapley is the Founding Partner and Managing Director of Treehouse Group Companies, an entrepreneurial real estate company with a cash flow real estate focus. In addition, he has over a decade of experience acquiring, managing, and selling student housing and single family homes. Mr. Stapley currently also serves on the Housing and Community Development Advisory Board and Boy Scouts of America Venture Scouting Program. His term will expire June 30, 2018.

Scott Thomas, District 6. Mr. Thomas is a project manager with Sun Country Floors. He holds an associate degree in architecture from University of Kentucky. Mr. Thomas previously served on the Board of Adjustment. His term expires June 30, 2018.

New Appointment:

Dallan Randall, District 6. Mr. Randall is a licensed plumber and has operated JB Water for the last fifteen years. He has served for fourteen years on the Arizona Water Quality Association Board including one term as president. In addition to his professional experience, Mr. Randall is an active volunteer with the Boy Scouts of America and has served on his HOA. His appointment will fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Heather Beata Dye. Mr. Randall's partial term will expire June 30, 2017.

**Design Review Board** – Seven-member board with two reappointments and one new appointment.

Reappointments:

Brian Sandstrom, District 4. Mr. Sandstrom is an architectural production coordinator with Arrington Watkins Architects. He holds a bachelor of science in architectural studies from Arizona State University. His term will expire June 30, 2018.

J. Taylor Candland, District 1. Mr. Candland is a land acquisition consultant for Bechtel Communications. He holds a bachelor's degree in business marketing from Arizona State University. Mr. Candland volunteers with the Boys Scouts, YMCA and Save the Family Foundation. His term expires June 30, 2018.

New Appointment:

Randolph Carter, District 2. Mr. Carter is an architect with Sketch Architecture Company. He holds a bachelor's degree in architecture from the University of Houston. Mr. Carter has previously served on both Design Review and Planning and Zoning. Mr. Carter's term will expire June 30, 2018.

**Economic Development Advisory Board** – Nine-member board with two reappointments.

Jeff Pitcher, District 2. Mr. Pitcher is an attorney with Ballard Spahr Andrews & Ingersoll, LLP. He holds a Juris Doctor from Brigham Young University. Mr. Pitcher is a member of the Mesa Public Schools Planning and Boundary Design Committee and a Scout Master and Venture Leader. His term expires June 30, 2018.

Laura Snow, District 6. Ms. Snow is a senior planning director with Banner Health. She holds an MBA/MPH in health services administration from UCLA. Ms. Snow participated in the Fiesta District rebranding efforts while assigned to the Banner Desert campus. Her term expires June 30, 2018.

**Historic Preservation Board** – Seven-member board with two reappointments and one new appointment.

Reappointments:

Annalisa Alvrus, District 3. Dr. Alvrus is a college instructor at Mesa Community College. She holds a master of bioarcheology and Ph.D. in anthropology from Arizona State University. Dr. Alvrus volunteers with the Animal Defense League of Arizona, Southwest Archeology Team and the Arizona Museum of Natural History. Her term expires June 30, 2018.

Laura Schaffer-Metcalf, District 1. Dr. Metcalfe is a public school administrator with Maricopa County Regional School District. She holds a doctorate of education from Northern Arizona University. Dr. Metcalfe served with the East Valley Arabian Horse Association and Tempe Historical Museum among her many community activities. Her term expires June 30, 2018.

New Appointment:

Greg Marek, District 5. Mr. Marek is a Commercial Real Estate Consultant with COBE Real Estate. Mr. Marek holds a master of public administration with an emphasis in urban planning from Arizona State University and a bachelor of arts from the University of South Dakota. Mr. Marek previously held positions as the redevelopment director and historic preservation officer with the City of Mesa. Mr. Marek is very active in the community serving on the Mesa Historical Museum Board, the Arizona Museum of Natural History Foundation Board and the Mesa YMCA Board of Directors. Mr. Marek's appointment will fill a vacancy created by the resignation of Dane Astle. His partial term will expire June 30, 2017.

**Housing and Community Development Advisory board** – Eleven-member board with four reappointments and one new appointment.

Reappointments:

Susan Brenton, District 4. Ms. Brenton is the president and owner of Association Management Company and executive director of Manufactured Housing Communities



of Arizona. She holds a bachelor's degree in accounting from Arizona State University. She will serve as the Board's manufactured housing representative. Ms. Brenton's term will expire June 30, 2018.

Tom Stapley, District 1. Mr. Stapley is the founding partner and managing director of Treehouse Group Companies, an entrepreneurial real estate company with a cash flow real estate focus. In addition, he has over a decade of experience acquiring, managing, and selling student housing and single family homes. Mr. Stapley currently also serves on the Building Board of Appeals and Boy Scouts of America Venture Scouting Program. His term will expire June 30, 2018.

Kris Woolley, District 1. Mr. Woolley is the founder and CEO of Avista Senior Living a Mesa, Arizona-based owner/operator of independent living, assisted living, and memory care communities. Prior to founding Avista, Kris was a principal and managing director in the Phoenix office of Greystar, a national owner/operator of apartments. His term will expire June 30, 2018.

Diana Yazzie Devine, District 1. Ms. Devine represents non-profit providers on the board. She is the President/CEO of Native American Connections, a nonprofit organization that develops and operates affordable housing. Her term expires June 30, 2018.

New Appointment:

Ericka Varela, District 3. Ms. Varela is an Investment Associate for housing and healthcare finance with Raza Development Fund. Her previous professional experience includes time with JP Morgan Chase and J&R Contractors. Ms. Varela founded the Eta Sigma Psi Multicultural Society, and served with the Boys and Girls Club and Upward Bound Alumni Association. Ms. Varela's appointment fills the vacancy created by the resignation of Haydee Dawson. Her partial term will expire June 30, 2016.

**Human Relations Advisory Board** – Eleven-member board with three reappointments and one new appointment.

Reappointments:

Cheryl Anderson, District 6. Ms. Anderson is the Director of Recovery Support Services at Marc Center of Mesa, Inc. She holds a degree in social services from Sheridan College. Ms. Anderson has volunteered in the community for Rotary and as a coach for the Special Olympics. Her term will expire June 30, 2018.

Colleen Byron, District 4. Dr. Byron is a professor at Northern Arizona University. She holds a doctor of philosophy from Arizona State University. Dr. Byron served on the Tempe Human Relations Commission from 2001-2009. Her term expires June 30, 2018.

Talmage Pearce, District 3. Mr. Pearce owns Patriot Insurances Services. He holds a bachelor of arts in political science and certificate in international and Islamic studies

from Arizona State University. Mr. Pearce serves the community through his church and was a precinct committeeman in his legislative district. His term will expire June 30, 2018.

**New Appointment:**

Robert Martinez, District 4. Mr. Martinez is an auto body painter with AutoNation. He is a 37 plus year resident of Mesa and has dedicated himself to making his community a better place to live. In addition to his professional career, Mr. Martinez volunteers his time with Christ the King Catholic School. Mr. Martinez's appointment fills a vacancy created by the resignation of Dr. Anthony Luizzo. His partial term will expire June 30, 2016.

**Judicial Advisory Board** – Seven-member board with three reappointments.

David Brooks, District 2. Mr. Brooks is an attorney with Brooks & Affiliates, PLC. He holds a juris doctor from Brigham Young University. The Maricopa County Bar Association recommends Mr. Brooks' appointment. Mr. Brooks' term will expire June 30, 2018.

Pete Lesar, District 5. Mr. Lesar is an assistant superintendent for Mesa Public Schools. He holds a bachelor of science in secondary math education from the University of Wisconsin and a master of arts in educational leadership from Northern Arizona University. His term will expire June 30, 2018.

Hon. Theresa Sanders Judge Sanders is the designee of the Presiding Judge of the Arizona Superior Court for Maricopa County. Judge Sanders holds a juris doctor from Arizona State University. Her term expires June 30, 2018.

**Library Advisory Board** – Nine-member board with one reappointment and three new appointments

**Reappointment:**

Ellen Bachman, District 3. Ms. Bachman is a retired school librarian. She holds a master of arts in religion from Trinity Evangelical Divinity School. Ms. Bachman is a volunteer coordinator for Maricopa County Master Gardener and volunteers with the Dobson Ranch Branch Library. Her term expires June 30, 2018.

**New Appointments:**

Irene C. Frklich, District 1. Ms. Frklich has over 45 years professional experience working with Mesa Public Schools in many capacities. She is also a member of the Mesa Association of Hispanic Citizens and Latino Advisory Council. Ms. Frklich has a bachelor of arts in elementary education and master degree in curriculum and instruction. Her term expires June 30, 2018.

Pamela Rineholt, District 3. Ms. Rineholt is a retired librarian and teacher with over 31 years of professional experience. She is a trustee and treasurer of Harmony

Community Baptist Church and has previously volunteered for various City of Mesa events. Ms. Rineholt holds a bachelor's degree in education, a master's degree in education and a master's degree in library science. Her term expires June 30, 2018.

Cindy Smith, District 1. Ms. Smith is a homemaker with a bachelor's degree in child development. She has given over 20 years of volunteer service to her children's classrooms and has been an active supporter of the Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts and Scout Leaders. Ms. Smith's appointment will fill a vacancy created by the resignation of Lora Bolick. Her partial term will expire June 30, 2017.

**Merit System Board** – Three-member board with one reappointment

Jennifer Sandstrom, District 4. Ms. Sandstrom is an architect with a bachelor's degree in architecture from Arizona State University. She served on the Building Board of Appeals from 2007-2011. Her term expires June 30, 2018.

**Museum & Cultural Advisory Board** – Eleven-member board with three reappointments and one new appointment

Reappointments:

Dilworth Brinton, District 1. Mr. Brinton is a life insurance agent with New York Life. He holds a bachelor's degree in business/insurance from Arizona State University. Mr. Brinton previously served on the Parks and Recreation Board and Library Advisory Board. His term expires June 30, 2018.

Steven McCance, District 6. Mr. McCance is employed with the Arizona Department of Economic Security. He holds an MPA from Arizona State University and is a Certified Public Manager. Mr. McCance served on the Library Advisory Board and Historic Preservation Board among his many community activities. His term expires June 30, 2018.

Alyssa Yingling, District 4. Ms. Yingling is a student at Arizona State University pursuing a degree in political science and religious studies. She volunteers as a docent with Pueblo Grande Museum and the Heard Museum. Her term expires June 30, 2018.

New Appointment:

Michelle Streeter, District 6. Ms. Streeter is the director of communications for Visit Mesa (Mesa CVB). She holds a bachelor of arts in journalism from Arizona State University. She volunteered with Valley Big Brothers & Sisters and is a 2011 Mesa LTD graduate. Her term expires June 30, 2018.

**Parks & Recreation Board** – Eleven-member board with one reappointment and three new appointments

Reappointment:

Jennifer Madsen, District 2. Ms. Madsen is a teacher with Mesa Public Schools. She

holds a master's degree in history education from Northern Arizona University. Her term expires June 30, 2018.

**New Appointments:**

Matthew Erickson, District 5. Mr. Erickson is a teacher with Mesa Public Schools and has volunteered with many different coaching and athletic organizations. Mr. Erickson holds a bachelor's degree from Saginaw Valley State University and a master's in education. His term will expire June 30, 2018.

Jaime Glasser, District 4. Ms. Glasser is a writer, artist and community activist with a passion for Mesa. She is currently an instructor at the Mesa Arts Center and a consultant with NEDCO. Ms. Glasser holds degrees in biology, veterinary medicine and biochemistry. Her term will expire June 30, 2018.

Miguel Sosa, District 3. Mr. Sosa is a Clam Adjuster with Allstate Insurance. He has previous professional experience with the City of Las Cruces, NM Parks and Recreation Dept and National Society of Collegiate Scholars. He holds a bachelor of arts in government and psychology. Mr. Sosa's term will expire June 30, 2018.

**Personnel Appeals Board** – Five-member board with two new appointments

Anthony Liuzzo, District 5. Dr. Liuzzo is the Director of Arizona Business Programs for Wilkes University. He holds a PhD in business administration from New York University and a Juris Doctor from St. John's University. He has volunteered with the American Red Cross, Family Service Association of Wyoming Valley, and Special Care Hospital of Nanticoke. Dr. Liuzzo previously served on the Human Relations Advisory Board. His term will expire June 30, 2018.

Nicholas McLain, District 5. Mr. McLain is a federal investigator with the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission and is a retired U.S. Army Combat Medic. Mr. McLain has volunteered as a YMCA football and basketball coach. He holds degrees in liberal studies and criminal justice. Mr. McLain's term will expire June 30, 2018.

**Planning & Zoning Board** – Seven-member board with one reappointment and one new appointment

**Reappointment:**

Michael Clement, District 2. Mr. Clement is a commercial real estate appraiser for SITUS Real Estate Group. He holds an MBA from University of Oregon. He previously served on the Board of Adjustment from 2003 to 2009. Mr. Clement is a 2003 Mesa LTD graduate and volunteers with Legacy Schools and the Boy Scouts. His term expires June 30, 2018.

**New Appointment:**

Dane Astle, District 1. Mr. Astle is a project design team leader for Architekton. He holds a master of architecture from Arizona State University. Mr. Astle is active in the

community serving in scouting and neighborhood service projects. He previously served on the Historic Preservation Committee. His term expires June 30, 2018.

**Self-Insurance Program Board of Trustees** – Five-member board with one reappointment

Fenton Moran, District 5. Mr. Moran is the director of labor and employee relations for RSC Equipment. He holds a bachelor of science in commerce from Niagara University and a master of science in human resource management from Canisius College. Mr. Moran was the personnel committee co-chair for the town of Farragut, TN. His term will expire June 30, 2018.

**Transportation Advisory Board** – Eleven-member board with two reappointments and two new appointments

Reappointments:

Kay Henry, District 5. Ms. Henry is retired from Motorola, Inc. She holds a bachelor's degree from Arizona State University and a real estate license. Ms. Henry previously served on Mesa's Library Board and the Scottsdale Transportation Commission. Her term expires June 30, 2018.

Michael Schmidt, District 6. Mr. Schmidt is a system engineer with IBM. He holds an associate degree from Chemeketa Community College and has over 22 years of experience in the IT field. His term expires June 30, 2018.

New Appointments:

Vern Mathern, District 5. Mr. Mathern is retired from the Boeing Company having served in many capacities there during his over 28 years of service with the company. Mr. Mathern is also a retired US Army Lieutenant Colonel. Mr. Mathern has served in many volunteer roles with various non-profit organizations, city activities and more. Mr. Mathern's term expires June 30, 2018.

Louis Stephen, District 2. Mr. Stephen is retired with nearly 25 years in the transit industry. He has professional experience with the Amalgamated Transit Union, Manchester Transit Authority and E-One/Federal Signal. Mr. Stephen's term will expire June 30, 2018.