

Paul Michaud

From: Paul Michaud
Sent: Wednesday, September 20, 2017 9:45 AM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Bike-Ped - Mountain View Rd

Amena:

I appreciate your input and heard similar points from Seema. To install sidewalks, bike lanes, lane markings, and any type of repaving/maintenance on any street within the Town is done through several means and by some type of approval process.

- The primary budgetary means is through the 5-Year Capital Improvement Program (CIP) budget process adopted by the Town Council each year. My understanding in speaking with the Public Works Director (Brent Skoglund, 480-348-3540), the roadway maintenance improvement for Mountain View Road is scheduled for 2022. The improvement will only include repairing the asphalt. It does not include adding lane markings, bike lanes, or sidewalks.
- When considering lane markings, this is done as part of the engineering process when the road is scheduled for repaving/maintenance.
- When considering bike lanes or sidewalks, the Town looks to the 2012 adopted General Plan and will look to the Pedestrian and Bicycle Plan that is in the process of being adopted. Mountain View Road from 56th Street to 64th Street is designated a Collector street. The right-of-way for this street and the lots on the south side of the street are within the Town of Paradise Valley. The typical Collector street cross section in the 2012 General Plan does have optional sidewalks and optional bike lanes. The General Plan also includes a bike classification map that does not provide bike lanes on Mountain View Road. Based on the current General Plan, if budgeted through the CIP as approved by Town Council, sidewalks might be possible.
- The Pedestrian and Bicycle Plan that has been in process since June 2016 will amend the typical street cross sections and bike maps in the 2012 adopted General Plan. It will also add a pedestrian facility map that we currently do not have in the General Plan. As such, this is a good time to consider bike lanes and sidewalks on one or both sides of the street. As presently drafted, the Collector roadway cross-section is similar to the existing General Plan. Except, it requires sidewalk on one side of a collector street. The draft pedestrian facility map does not show this sidewalk, but that looks to be an error based on the draft cross section. The addition of bike lanes has been a controversial matter throughout this process. The Town Council will be re-evaluating bike lanes and recreation paths via the Statement of Direction given to the Planning Commission at its October 12, 2017 meeting. This might be a good meeting for you or your neighbors to attend. The Planning Commission's next meeting on the plan is October 17, 2017. The agenda for these meetings is not ready, but are typically available at least five days prior to the meeting at <https://paradisevalleyaz.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx>. I will be sending an update on the future meeting dates on the Pedestrian and Bicycle Plan later this week. I will add you to my list.
- From a staff perspective, it would be helpful to know how many residents along this section of Mountain View Road support adding sidewalks, bike lanes, and/or lane markings.
- Besides the long range items noted above, the Town does have a procedure to install safety devices like speed humps. This requires signed petitions from 90% of residents and Town Council approval. This process is done through the Town's Engineering Department (Paul Mood, Town Engineer, 480-3573).
- I will notify the Town's Police Department, since we have recently expanded enforcement efforts in the Town related to bicycling and motorist issues.
- I have forwarded Seema's e-mail to the Planning Commission. I will forward your e-mail to them as well.
- I will copy Seema this e-mail so she has the same information.

I will note your points at the upcoming October 12th Town Council meeting. I hope this addressed your points. If not, let me know.

Regards,

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From: Amena DeLuca [mailto:adeluca@paradisevalleyaz.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, September 20, 2017 8:03 AM
To: Paul Michaud
Subject: Mountain View RD

Hello Paul,

I obtained your email address from one of my neighbors, Seema Patel.

I live across the street and am very concerned about the safety of pedestrians and bikers on Mountain View RD between 56th and 64th. Currently, there is neither a sidewalk or bike lane on this well traveled road. There is a lot of activity on our street with bikers/ pedestrians/dog walkers / children riding bikes and they are just out in the road. In addition, I have 2 small children and do not feel safe walking down my own street. I would greatly appreciate your help in resolving this important safety issue by asking for a sidewalk and bike lane as soon as possible and thank you for your efforts in keeping PV a safe environment.

I would appreciate an email confirmation of this message.

Thanks again,
Amena DeLuca

PV

Sent from my iPhone

Paul Michaud

From: Paul Michaud
Sent: Tuesday, September 19, 2017 9:01 AM
To: 'nan murley'; Planning Commissioner Daran Wastchak
Cc: Eva Cutro; Mayor Michael Collins; Vice Mayor Jerry Bien-Willner; Peter Wingert; Kevin Burke; Paul Mood
Subject: PV Pedestrian and Bicycle Master Plan

Nan:

Thank you for your continued involvement in the planning process on the Pedestrian and Bicycle Master Plan. Safety is a major focus of the planning effort.

On noticing, I will be getting out an e-mail this week to the list of persons I have about upcoming meeting dates. There will also be noticing in the PV Independent for October.

Regarding the separate project on Hummingbird Lane, as you know attending the Planning Commission meetings this summer that the Pedestrian and Bicycle Master Plan will provide a toolbox of methods and in some instances a general concept. Any potential projects identified by this plan will require engineering solutions, funding, input from residents along the corridor, and/or review by Town Council.

The thought for your neighborhood was to wait for the Planning Commission, in their bike/ped discussions, to make some sort of general statement about wanting the Town to manage this or this type of concern without actually looking to design a whole solution. The idea is to work on solutions for your neighborhood sooner than later. The Police Department will continue their enforcement efforts. Once having more direction, the Town Manager will work with the Town Council. The thought is to move forward with hiring an outside traffic engineer to draft a solution that will likely include some sort of traffic calming for bicycles that would require a bicyclist to preferably make a full stop at a stop sign or at a minimum slowdown from excessive speeds between stop signs. Whatever the end design, it will involve an engineered solution with resident input. At this point, the approach and timing is at the Town Manager/Town Council level. As a specific project moves forward for your neighborhood, the Town Engineer (Paul Mood) will be involved.

I hope this addresses your questions. If not, please let me know. The Town Council, Planning Commission, and Town staff are aware of the concerns in your neighborhood and will continue to work toward solutions.

Regards,

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From: nan murley [mailto:nanmurley@paradisevalleyaz.gov]
Sent: Monday, September 18, 2017 7:07 PM

To: Paul Michaud; Planning Commissioner Daran Wastchak
Cc: Eva Cutro; Mayor Michael Collins; Vice Mayor Jerry Bien-Willner; Peter Wingert
Subject: Independent article

Hello Paul,

I was very pleased to read your interview/article last week where you thoroughly covered the work of Planning Commission and planners about their long time discussion of the Plan. GREAT job. Thank you ! The photo of a street was a good way to get reader's attention. Timing was good on the part of the reporter when this month, many residents who leave Paradise Valley in summer, are returning. Now it is important to bring residents up to date on the Pedestrian and Bicycle Master Plan. Please announce that they may attend meetings. Follow up with updates in The Independent too.

Please give more focus to safety of PEDESTRIANS in areas they share with aggressive cyclists whose behavior is a public safety issue especially on narrow curvy roads in neighborhoods where residents have no sidewalks. In the "Hummingbird Lane" neighborhood neighbors suggest restricting speeds for vehicles and cyclists to 15 MPH. Police enforcement needs to be stepped up to at least two hours early EVERY morning when cyclist clubs and walkers/runners are out on the streets together. Residents are leaving their driveways but cannot always be seen by oncoming traffic on hillside.

Who will be leading the "separate project" you mentioned? It's time to bring residents of this area together with planners, police and Planning Commissioners as well as Council. A survey that could collect public opinion again for this "separate project" might be in order. One neighbor, John McCauley has videos of violations of traffic laws here and of near serious accidents. He has shared them with our police. Is there a plan for a traffic study? Your reply with a few details would be appreciated.

Nan Murley
Resident on Quartz Mountain Rd.

Paul Michaud

From: Paul Michaud
Sent: Friday, September 15, 2017 8:33 AM
To: 'Paul Mariani'
Subject: RE: NEW MEETING DATES - Update: Paradise Valley Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan

Paul:

The Planning Commission's current proposal for Jackrabbit Rd from Invergordon to the canal east of Scottsdale Rd is an unpaved trail on one side of the street and a paved 10' wide recreation path on the other side of the street. Staff and the consultant had proposed sidewalk on both sides of the street with bike lanes based on the regional trail connection. The Planning Commission suggested the recreation path/no bike lane recommendation for a couple reasons: they believe the bike riders on this corridor will be recreational riders, there are several right-of-way constraints along the corridor, and the Town Council's Statement of Direction did not include this corridor. The Planning Commission chairman will be presenting the Planning Commission's deviations (which includes Jackrabbit) to the Town Council at their Sept 28th meeting. The agenda is not ready for this meeting, but this item will occur between 3:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. You can find the agenda after Sept 22nd at <https://paradisevalleyaz.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx>.

Your comment will be forwarded to the Planning Commission. The best way to ensure your desires are heard is to provide comments like you have done and attend Planning Commission/Town Council meetings. Below are a list of upcoming meeting dates.

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PV Bike-Ped Master Plan Upcoming Events (Tentative)	
09/19/2017	Planning Commission Work Session: Review Goals & Policies, Review Implementation Measures
09/28/2017	Town Council Work Session/Meeting: Discuss Statement of Direction (SOD) based on Planning Commission input
10/17/2017	Planning Commission Work Session: Update on Council; Review any unfinished items from prior meeting

Target 10/27/17	Release of Draft Plan 2
11/02/2017	Town Council Work Session: Update (To be determined)
11/07/2017	Planning Commission Citizen Review: Required public input meeting and discuss Draft Plan 2
12/05/2017	Planning Commission Action: Recommendation to Town Council
12/21/2017	Town Council Study Session: Review Draft Plan 2
01/11/2018	Town Council Study Session: Review Draft Plan 2
Target 01/26/2018	Release of Draft Plan 3
02/08/2018	Town Council Action: Take action on Master Plan
Date timeline prepared: 09/12/2017	
Timeline subject to change	

From: Paul Mariani [mailto:██████████@gmail.com]
Sent: Friday, September 15, 2017 7:58 AM
To: Paul Michaud
Subject: Re: NEW MEETING DATES - Update: Paradise Valley Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan

Paul,

I was looking at the recent updates to the Planning commission report from 9-5. Page 8 had the below reference regarding the bike lanes on Jackrabbit.....

Jackrabbit Rd – bike lanes (Reconsider?) • Connects to AZ canal regional trail

Can you tell me what this means and why it is here?

Bike lanes (and a trail or sidewalk) on Jackrabbit are extremely important to me. I live at 6815 E Vermont Ave. My family enjoys riding our Bikes to the Canal and the Indiana Bend wash... we are able to go all the way to Tempe town lake Via Paradise Valley's only connecting point to the Canal and Regional trail. We also ride our bikes to Camel Back mountain when we go hiking.

Jack Rabbit is a narrow street and unfortunately is used by some as a bypass around the Fashion square area via Invergordon and Monta Vista.

Bike Paths and a trail or multi use path on Jack Rabbit will also connect Camel Back mountain to the Canal and Regional Trail

Please let me know what the commissions and the councils current thought are in regards to Jackrabbit and what I can do to ensure this area is a priority.

All my Best

Paul Mariani

Paradise Valley, AZ 85253

On Fri, May 19, 2017 at 4:11 PM, Paul Michaud <pmichaud@paradisevalleyaz.gov> wrote:
Interested Stakeholder:

Due to unforeseen circumstances, the scheduled meeting of May 25, 2017 regarding the draft Paradise Valley Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan is CANCELLED.

The Town Council will discuss the general direction of this plan at their 4:00 p.m. study session of June 8, 2017 and tentatively take action on a Statement of Direction at the 6:00 p.m. Town Council meeting of June 22, 2017. All meetings will be held at

Town Hall, 6401 East Lincoln Drive, Paradise Valley, Arizona, 85253. Please check agenda for start times at <https://paradisevalleyaz.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx>. Agendas are generally available the Friday prior to the scheduled meeting date.

All past information about the plan is available at <https://planpv.mysidewalk.com/> or at <http://www.paradisevalleyaz.gov/555/Bicycle-Pedestrian-Master-Plan>.

Regards,

Paul E. Michaud, AICP
Senior Planner

James Coffman, RLA, ASLA
President

Paul Michaud

From: Paul Michaud
Sent: Wednesday, September 13, 2017 2:41 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Mountain View Road

Seema:

It was a pleasure speaking with you. I appreciate you taking the time to share your concerns. I will pass your e-mail along to the Planning Commission regarding the bike-ped plan. I will also bring your concerns up at our weekly staff meeting next week to discuss what might be able to be done.

Regards,

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From: MehulandSeema [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, September 13, 2017 2:29 PM
To: Paul Michaud
Subject: Fwd: Street Maintenance

Dear Paul,

RE: Mountain View Road between 56th and 64th streets, Paradise Valley

Thanks so much for explaining the township process. Below is the email I had sent before speaking with anyone.

As discussed, I am writing on behalf of my multiple neighbors for the safety of our families and neighborhood, we are requesting the township consider some sort of biker lane/pedestrian lane/sidewalk for this section of Mountain View Road. Most of us either have young kids, pets, and there are tons of cyclists that zoom by. In addition this street happens to be a convenience street meaning that there are a lot of people that drive through to get in and out of Paradise Valley.

Although we are patient while the town follows course and process it is our utmost concern to have this large heavy traffic street be evaluated and considered for an update for the safety of our neighborhood and would appreciate a pedestrian lane/sidewalk and/or bikers lane. Please email me confirming the receipt of this email.

Thanks again for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Seema

Begin forwarded message:

From: MehulandSeema [REDACTED]
Date: September 13, 2017 at 1:28:31 PM MST
To: bskoglund@paradisevalleyaz.gov
Subject: Street Maintenance

To whom it may concern:

RE: Mountain View Road between 56th and 64th streets, Paradise Valley

I am writing in reference to the above mentioned street and inquiring about its maintenance. Here are a few items to consider:

1. Re-paving
2. Making bikers lane (way too many cyclists come down this road and it can be dangerous and also can be helpful for stroller walkers)
3. Refurbishing the speed limit signs (the sign is hard to read and it states 25mph; I am concerned about safety of walkers and cyclists)

Thank you for your attention. Please email or call me at [REDACTED] so I know that someone has acknowledged this request.

Sincerely,
Seema

Paul Michaud

From: Shawna Glazier <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Wednesday, September 06, 2017 11:56 AM
To: Paul Michaud
Subject: Re: Doubletree & Scottsdale Road Video Detection

Okay thanks. Keep me posted.

I did do some research on my own regarding the rumble strips. I hope the town doesn't invest too much of its resources trying to have the strips installed. From what I found, rumble strips are prominently only used to alert motorists and have never been used to "slow cyclists down". Also, everything you read online about rumble strips, the main issue with them is that they are a danger to cyclists because they create "fall hazards"... and also they're noisy. If the Town succeeds at installing rumble strips on Hummingbird, there will be crashes that will lead to potential lawsuits for Paradise Valley, at least that's what ADOT told me yesterday, he said to consult the town attorney before any studies should be ordered. They called the idea completely "not appropriate" especially next to a stop sign and that the strips aren't meant to be used in Urban areas. Again, I'm 100% in favor of having a calming measure installed at that location, also I'm a majority of the cyclist. Just hoping a safe action is taken. When I was inquiring with ADOT I wasn't looking for negative feedback because at that point I really didn't have an opinion either way but after hearing the potential ramifications it seems obvious to take not in favor of rumble strips side :)
Thanks Paul.

kind regards,
Shawna Glazier
beSpoke real estate
www.bespokebliss.com
designated broker/owner
[REDACTED]

From: Paul Michaud <pmichaud@paradisevalleyaz.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, September 6, 2017 11:31 AM
To: Shawna Glazier
Subject: RE: Doubletree & Scottsdale Road Video Detection

The Town Manager is looking at using some of the general fund money to start an engineering study for that area sooner than later. There is \$100,000 in the current budget for bike-ped related items. This budget includes the budget for the bike-ped master plan, but there is additional money that could be used for this engineering study. This engineering study has not been approved at this time, but I should now move more in the coming months.

Paul Michaud

Subject: FW: Biker running stop sign

From: Heidi Denton [mailto:████████████████████]

Sent: Tuesday, August 29, 2017 11:12 AM

To: Paul Michaud; Council Member Julie Pace; Council Member Paul Dembow; Council Member David Sherf; Council Member Mark Stanton; Council Member Scott Moore; Steven McGhee; PD Command Staff; Mayor Michael Collins; Kevin Albert

Cc: ████████████████████@com; John McCauley

Subject: Biker running stop sign

FYI - another one!!!

IFY ME



SECTION
QUESTS



Request ID:	394	Status:	Assigned to Police Department
Description:	Parking	Email:	police@paradisvalleyaz.gov
IP Address:	192.88.158.246	Phone:	
Date Submitted:	8/29/2017 9:23 AM		
Date Last Modified:	8/29/2017 9:23 AM		6331 Hummingbird Lane Paradise Valley AZ
Date Closed:			

Add Comment

Date/Time	Comments
8/29/2017 Heidi Denton	<p>Your Request ID Number is 394.</p> <p>Brief Description Hi, Just wanted to let you know that I encountered another bike rider running the stop sign at Quartz Mtn and Hummingbird this AM (~7:30AM), when I had the right of way (I had already stop and was ready to go and had to stop again to let them blow through the stop sign.) As I followed behind he was speeding as he continued to pull away form me as I went the speed limit down the hill As he approached the electrical bump in the road I noticed he slowed and tried to jump it and lost his water bottle. So, in reagards to slowing the speeders down I think this type of bump in the road is a very good thing--they need more of them and maybe at the stop sign to insure everyone stops there.</p> <p>Problem Location</p> <p>Street Number and Name 6331 Hummingbrd Lane</p> <p>Address Line 2</p> <p>City Paradise Valley</p> <p>State AZ</p> <p>Zip Code</p> <p>Photograph No file was uploaded.</p> <p>Your Information</p> <p>Name Heidi McCauley</p> <p>Street Number and Name</p> <p>Address Line 2</p> <p>City</p> <p>State</p> <p>Zip Code</p> <p>Phone Number</p> <p>Fax Number</p> <p>Email Address heididenton@msn.com</p> <p>Preferred Contact Method email</p> <p>All messages contained in this system are the property of the Town of Paradise Valley and are considered a public record subject to disclosure under the Arizona Public Records Law (A.R.S. 39-121).</p>

Paul Michaud

Subject: FW: Bike and ped plan/ Tatum crossing
Attachments: IMG_0392.PNG; IMG_0393.PNG

From: Shawna Glazier [mailto:Shawna.Glazier@phoenix.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, August 15, 2017 11:59 AM
To: Planning Commissioner Daran Wastchak
Cc: Paul Michaud
Subject: Re: Bike and ped plan/ Tatum crossing

Hi Daran,

I just got done listening/watching the video from the July 25th meeting and I plan to attend today's work session. I must say that I was pleasantly surprised and how fair and open the meeting went. Thank you. I also already mentioned to Paul that I'm beyond thrilled that the Strava heat map was incorporated!! The Strava metro data will allow the city to evaluate cyclist (and runners) behavior and how they choose to navigate through the city. The guessing game on where to place counters or add facilities and infrastructure will soon be over and the raw data of actual needs will be abundantly clear.

Hummingbird:

I've attached a few screen shots of my ride today, which is also the ride that receives the majority of the negative feedback from hummingbird residents. The ride is called "Tuesday Gainey" and there's typically 50-100 riders that depart the Gainey Village health club at 5:30am for a 90min ride every Tuesday morning. I want to point out one change that the group is trying to implement to help slow the peloton and to keep the group from running the stop sign on Hummingbird. The first photo you can see that the group now makes a left on 61st pl, then Right on Quartz Mt, then back to Hummingbird. This change should eliminate the group from running the stop sign and it will slow speeds on Hummingbird decent. (the ride used to go straight down Hummingbird). It's not a huge change but it is progress and a step in the right direction. The second picture is a bigger screen shot of the main route so you have it for reference.

As for an update on the Tatum crossing:

I'm sure Paul filled you in about the meeting being cancelled with Councilwoman Stark because of a family emergency on my end. I've kept in contact with their office and we'll plan another meeting in the future. As of now I'm mainly working with the traffic engineer supervisor in the street transportation department in Phoenix, Bruce Littleton. He has initiated the study to be done at both Fanfol and Mountain View. The study will most likely take place in September. From the research I've done, this study will easily meet all the warrants that are needed to pass. Having Paradise Valley's position on the crossing and their ability to help with capital costs will be greatly beneficial. Also, what does PV prefer to have installed there...bridge, HAWK, traffic signal...? I will obviously keep you updated as I receive more information.

Lastly,

Can we put McDonald back on the drawing board? From my point of view it sounds like the majority of cyclists, residents and motorists all want McDonald enhanced... We heard loud and clear from one Council member that "he" doesn't want McDonald to change but can we hear from everyone else? I agree that it is very scary and dangerous right now for motorists to try to get around cyclists, there just isn't room with the medians. All

the maps and proposed enhancements are great but should the town's efforts and funds be going toward areas that are actually immediately needing attention and being asked for?

Looking forward to meeting you tonight and thanks for your time.

kind regards,

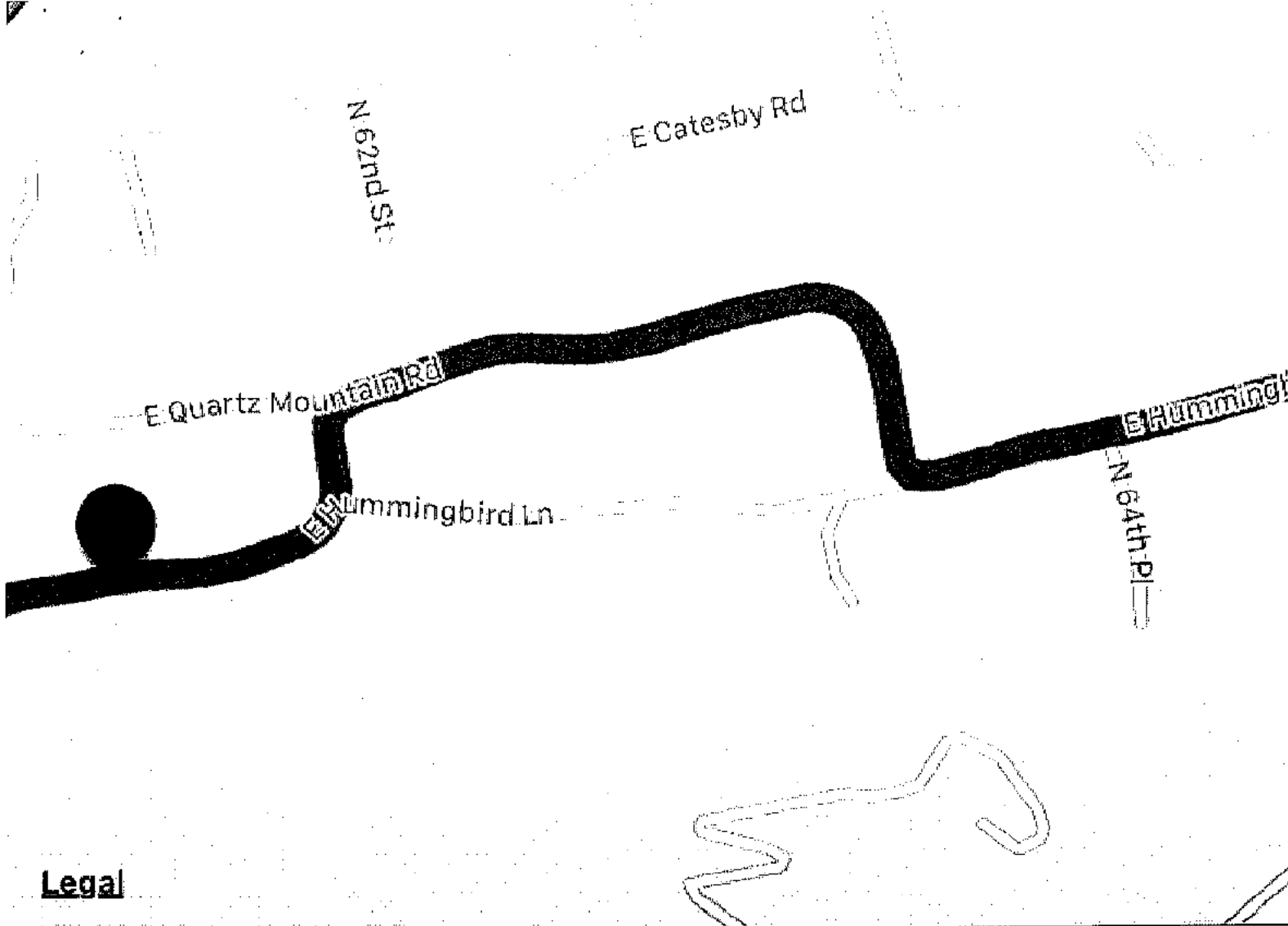
Shawna Glazier

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Legal

- Standard
- Satellite
- Hybrid

5th Overall - 3:34



Cholla to Cheney [Hummingbird]

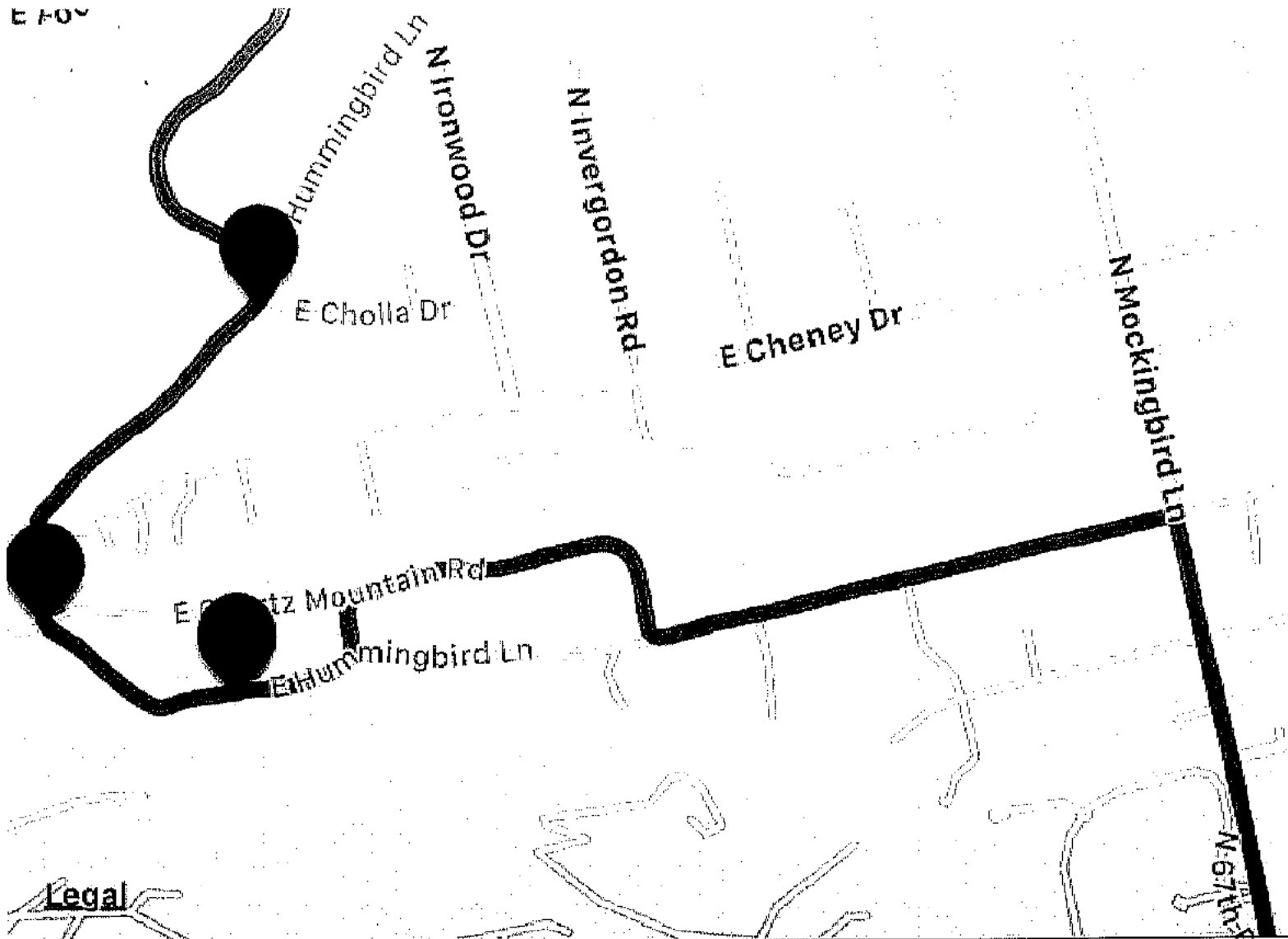
5th Overall - 1:05



Hummingbird Climb

Personal Record - 0:32





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Cholla to Cheney [Hummingbird]

5th Overall - 1:05



Hummingbird Climb

Personal Record - 0:32



Paul Michaud

From: Council Member Julie Pace
Sent: Sunday, August 13, 2017 8:31 AM
To: Peter Wingert; Kevin Burke; Eva Cutro; Paul Michaud
Cc: Council Member Julie Pace
Subject: Fwd: August 11, 2017 video of Cyclist running stop sign and harassing resident plus other videos of violators

Sounds like some bicyclists are getting more aggressive if they are hitting vehicles. Is that taught at bike groups to hit vehicles for some type of reason. This is third person to raise that this is occurring

Excuse errors from gliding.
Julie Pace 602.322.4046

Begin forwarded message:

From: nan murley <[REDACTED]>
Date: August 12, 2017 at 9:58:51 PM MST
To: Julie Pace <jpace@paradisevalleyaz.gov>
Subject: Fw: August 11, 2017 video of Cyclist running stop sign and harassing resident plus other videos of violators

Dear Julie,

This is from a fairly new neighbor, John McCauley, living near the Intersection of Hummingbird and Quartz Mtn intersection where cyclists don't stop as they speed downhill. John has been taking videos here for months usually early morning and here is his recent report. He sometimes feels that our police do not believe how the cyclist's behavior is hostile and disrespectful. That is why he takes videos. His wife runs our streets with their dog nearly every morn.

He has a few questions and I do hope that you can give some reply. He and his wife Heidi are very nice neighbors, good people, love PV. and truly care about everyone here. I don't think Paul Michaud can give the help that you as an attorney can to answer questions. This is becoming overwhelming to me and I'm quite uncomfortable with the aggressive behavior of bicyclists (such as beating on my car window when I was stopped at an intersection that they wanted to ride through.)

Thanks in advance for your attention and any suggestions. Nan

From: John McCauley <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Friday, August 11, 2017 9:47 PM
To: 'Paul Michaud'; [REDACTED]
Cc: 'Heidi Denton'; 'nan murley'; [REDACTED]
Subject: August 11, 2017 video of Cyclist running stop sign and harassing resident plus other videos of violators

Paul/Officer Chavira,

Paul Michaud

From: Council Member Julie Pace
Sent: Sunday, August 13, 2017 10:19 AM
To: Peter Wingert; Kevin Burke; Eva Cutro; Paul Michaud; Andrew Miller; Deborah Robberson
Subject: Fwd: Bicycle Pedestrian Master Plan

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Julie Pace 602.322.4046

Begin forwarded message:

From: nan murley <[REDACTED]>
Date: August 12, 2017 at 7:45:09 PM MST
To: Julie Pace <jpace@paradisevalleyaz.gov>
Subject: Fw: Bicycle Pedestrian Master Plan

Julie,

I know council is on summer break but I'm sending this to you now anyhow. I appreciate your understanding of the bicycle problem because you are are hillside and Chair of the Advisory Committee on Public Safety. Police have been somewhat active but they are short staffed so cannot keep up with the dangerous behavior of cyclists. The police "decoy," usually an empty car at the stop sign on Quartz and Hummingbird, sometimes helps when cyclists decide to stop. There are two groups on Tuesdays and one group on Thursday besides smaller numbers any other days. As weather cools we are sure there will be more. This is extremely dangerous because it is a blind curve on a steep hill where two stop signs are at a 3 way intersection. Cyclists have hit cars with this street design.

We who live on East Hummingbird do not feel that safety issues have been addressed here as I wrote Paul Michaud. We want a solution so everyone can safely enjoy our mountain and valley views on Hummingbird. I'd call this a Quality of Life issue that needs to be improved.. Thanks for serving PV.

Nan

From: nan murley <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, August 13, 2017 1:17 AM
To: 'Paul Michaud'; ecutro@paradisevalleyaz.gov; Paul Mood; Kevin Burke; Julie Pace; Michael Collins; Daran Wastchak; Planning Commissioner James Anton; tcampbell@paradisevalleyaz.gov; ccovington@paradisevalleyaz.gov; rmahrle@paradisevalleyaz.gov; dstrom@paradisevalleyaz.gov;

jwainright@paradisevalleyaz.gov; John McCauley
Subject: Bicycle Pedestrian Master Plan

Dear Paul Michaud.

I've read the Objectives for 8/15 work session Planning Commission work study meeting. I'm pleased that FINALLY you are addressing safety of pedestrians. You have put the cart before the horse with bicycle routes in previous reports. You haven't coordinated these or addressed these on the pedestrian walking streets especially in the neighborhood on or near East Hummingbird Lane and Quartz Mountain Road on the north slopes of Mummy Mountain. This is a town Council Initiative and Goal to protect resident safety. Our Quality of Life, that our mayor refers to, is declining, not improving in this area.

This neighborhood has no sidewalks. Resident pedestrians and resort visitors use these streets for walking and running, pushing baby strollers, or for walking children and dogs, and appreciate the scenic value of this hillside. Our residents and resort guests find the views of the mountains and valley make Hummingbird Lane a special place to walk.

East Hummingbird Lane is the most unsafe loop with steep hills on Mummy Mountain, blind curves on narrow pavement and its eroded blacktop that drops off three feet or much more below the street surface into water eroded channels on hillside. pedestrians walking or running have no place to go to safely go to avoid bicyclists and cars speeding toward them Continuing maintenance for safety, which has been neglected, should be a top priority on these existing hillside streets for The Plan. There is no room for a sidewalk.

Please engage our engineer, Paul Mood, public works and planning department to be involved in the Master Plan in this area. Storm water drainage, landscaping, and street maintenance need to be investigated. Interact and work with residents and ask where they see problems on their mountainside streets.

Unfortunately many residents of this area are away for the summer months, so only those neighbors who are in town are representing the neighborhood. Resident John McCauley has been especially active in addressing the dangers of bicycle traffic and working tirelessly with our police to enforce traffic laws. We support his efforts. However, there is more to be done by the town to improve safety for everyone. John and his wife would invite Paul Michaud, Paul Mood, and even a representative from Coffman Studio to put on their sun hats, bring their water bottles, and walk East Hummingbird with them early in the morning, especially on a Tuesday or Thursday to enjoy the street with them. Planning commissioners would be welcome also.

Please continue to work focusing on solving the pedestrian safety issue for this area and other popular walking/cycling streets which have been mentioned at earlier Plan meetings.

Your attention is appreciated and we look forward to positive changes. As traffic becomes heavier, residents, can no longer feel a sense of safety as all traffic (including speeding bicycle groups blowing through stop signs) increases on residential streets that weren't designed for such use. I've lived on Hummingbird Lane hillside for 36 years and have observed serious accidents, even death on Hummingbird. The Plan needs to reflect on improving and protecting Pedestrian safety on this quiet, beautiful and popular walking area.

Nan Murley