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## **Pinal Regional Transportation Authority Board of Directors Meeting September 23, 2020 5:00 p.m.**

**CALL IN: 877-853-5257 MEETING ID: 864 5259 2282 MEETING PASSWORD: 568639**

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### **AGENDA**

- I. CALL TO ORDER – *Chair McFarland***
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- III. ROLL CALL AND INTRODUCTIONS**
- IV. CALL TO PUBLIC**
- V. APPROVAL OF PINAL RTA MINUTES – June 9, 2020**
- VI. APPROVAL OF THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE PINAL RTA COMMITTEES**
  - a. Pinal RTA Board
  - b. Pinal RTA Transportation Technical Advisory Committee
  - c. Pinal RTA Citizen Transportation Advisory Committee
- VII. PINAL RTA UPDATE ON INTERIM MANGEMENT SERVICE – *Wilson & Company***
- VIII. DISCUSSION AND DIRECTION/RECOMMENDATION TO STAFF ON THE PINAL COUNTY TRANSIT GOVERNANCE STUDY – *Travis Ashbaugh***
- IX. ADJOURN**



<b>CONSENT AGENDA ITEM:</b>	YES	<input type="checkbox"/>	NO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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**PINAL REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY  
Request for PRTA Board Action**

<p><b><u>Date Submitted:</u></b></p> <p align="center">September 9, 2020</p> <p><b><u>Date Action Requested:</u></b></p> <p align="center">September 23, 2020</p>	<p><b><u>Type of Action(s) Requested:</u></b></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Formal Action/Motion</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Information Only</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Resolution</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Other</p>	<p><b><u>Subject:</u></b></p> <p align="center">Pinal RTA Minutes – June 9, 2020</p>
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**TO:** CHAIRMAN AND PRTA BOARD MEMBERS

**FROM:** Andrea Robles, Executive Director

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION:** Approve the June 9, 2020 Pinal RTA meeting minutes.



**DATE:** June 9, 2020  
**TIME:** 10:00 a.m.  
**LOCATION:** 2540 W. Apache Trail, Suite 108; Apache Junction, AZ 85120

## I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Craig McFarland called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM.

## II. ROLL CALL AND INTRODUCTIONS

**Members Present:** Pete Rios, Craig McFarland, Jon Thompson, Micah Powell, Deborah Sommers, Christian Price, Robin Benning

**Members Absent:** Robert Schroeder, Tara Walter, Joe Dietz, Mila Besich

**Staff:** Louis Andersen, Andy Smith, Andrea Robles, Travis Ashbaugh

## III. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

No one answered the Call to the Public

## IV. UPDATE AND DISCUSSION ON THE PINAL COUNTY TRANSIT GOVERNANCE STUDY

Mr. Travis Ashbaugh updated the board on the current status of the Pinal County Transit Governance Study. He stated that the study will be looking at Pinal County as a whole to determine if there is a better governing structure than what is currently in place. Mr. Ashbaugh stated that this would help with implementing different efficiencies that can be implemented. Ms. Bethany Whitaker from Nelson/Nygaard highlighted the work that they've been doing on the study and shared the draft governance models with the board to give them the opportunity to provide feedback. Members of the Board requested that Nelson/Nygaard present to their councils. Ms. Whitaker stated that they will be reaching out to the City and Town Councils to provide workshops and presentations to offer the opportunity for feedback. Questions, comments and discussion followed. This was an information item.

## V. IGA WITH PINAL COUNTY – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON TERMINATION

Ms. Robles stated that the Pinal RTA received a memo on April 24, 2020 from Pinal County stating that they made the decision to terminate the lease agreement with Andy Smith as the General Manager, due to his promotion and additional responsibilities with the County. Councilmember Robin Benning thanked Mr. Smith for his services. Councilmember Robin Benning, Town of Queen Creek, made a motion to terminate the IGA dated November 15, 2017 for leased employee services. Mayor Jon Thompson, City of Coolidge, seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board discussed the hiring of an Executive Director and a General Manager for the Pinal RTA. The Pinal RTA is currently in a legal dispute and the board expressed a desire to retain Andrea Robles as Executive Director until the legal matters are resolved and hire an interim consultant to maintain the General Manager position to keep the day to day matters moving forward. Questions, comments and discussion followed. Chairman Craig McFarland, City of Casa Grande, made a motion to accept the resignation of Andy Smith as the General Manager and the board provided direction to County Manager Andersen and Executive Director Robles to conduct a search for a consultant to provide interim management services to the Pinal RTA. Councilmember Robin Benning, Town of Queen Creek, seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.



## **VI. FUTURE PRTA ADMINISTRATIVE TASKS**

Ms. Robles stated that once the Board has hired an interim consultant to continue the General Manager duties for the Pinal RTA, there are items that need to be revised. She stated that the By-Laws need to be updated and that there are items such as the governance structure that will need to be addressed as the Board moves forward with a consultant. Questions, comments and discussion followed. This was an information item.

## **VII. ADJOURN**

Chairman Craig McFarland adjourned the meeting at 11:10 AM.



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**TO: CHAIRMAN AND PRTA BOARD MEMBERS**

**FROM:** Andrea Robles, Executive Director

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION:** Approve the membership of the Pinal RTA Committees.

**DISCUSSION:** These Committees will provide guidance, input, and recommendations to the Pinal Regional Transportation Authority (PRTA) Board through the Executive Director and Staff on transportation related issues.

Pinal RTA Committees:

- Pinal RTA Board
- Pinal RTA Transportation Technical Advisory Committee
- Pinal RTA Citizen Transportation Advisory Committee

# Pinal Regional Transportation Authority (PRTA) Board

2020 – 2021

**Chair**

Mayor Craig McFarland  
City of Casa Grande

**Vice Chair**

Mayor Mila Besich  
Town of Superior

**Secretary/Treasurer**

Mayor Debra Sommers  
Town of Kearny

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**Membership**

**City of Apache Junction**

Mayor Jeff Serdy  
Councilmember Robert Schroeder (Alternate)

**City of Casa Grande**

Mayor Craig McFarland

**City of Coolidge**

Mayor Jon Thompson

**City of Eloy**

Mayor Joel Belloc  
Vice-Mayor Micah Powell (Alternate)

**Town of Florence**

Mayor Tara Walter

**Town of Kearny**

Mayor Debra Sommers

**Town of Mammoth**

Mayor Joe Dietz

**City of Maricopa**

Mayor Christian Price  
Vice-Mayor Vincent Manfredi (Alternate)

**Pinal County**

Supervisor Pete Rios

**Town of Queen Creek**

Mayor Gail Barney  
Councilmember Robin Benning (Alternate)

**Town of Superior**

Mayor Mila Besich

# Pinal Regional Transportation Authority (PRTA) Transportation Technical Advisory Committee

2020 – 2021

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## Membership

**City of Apache Junction**  
Mike Weaver

**City of Casa Grande**  
Duane Eitel

**City of Coolidge**  
Matt Rencher

**City of Eloy**  
Keith Brown

**Town of Florence**  
Chris Salas

**Town of Kearny**  
Jeff McCormick

**Town of Mammoth**  
John Schempf

**City of Maricopa**  
Joshua Plumb

**Pinal County**  
Scott Bender

**Town of Queen Creek**  
Troy White

**Town of Superior**  
Svetlana Clark

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# Pinal Regional Transportation Authority (PRTA) Citizen Transportation Advisory Committee

**2020 – 2021**

\* Per the Pinal RTA Bylaws, Section 4 Item 2: The Citizens Transportation Advisory Committee (CTAC) membership shall consist of citizens of Pinal County who are appointed by the Authority Board. The functions of this Committee shall be to assure voters that the funds collected under the Pinal County Regional Transportation Authority twenty-year, \$640 million plan (PRTP) will be implemented as approved by the voters on November 7, 2017. The CTAC shall: (i) advise and report to the RTA board; (ii) provide accurate, complete, and timely documentation of all project budgets and schedules for implementing all projects or programs contained in the PRTP; (iii) report all findings on project or program implementation to the RTA Board, including reports on project delivery, review of revenue projections and project expenditures; and (iv) prepare reports on the progress of implementation of the voter-authorized PRTP.

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## **Membership**

### **City of Apache Junction**

Lareme Fessler

### **City of Casa Grande**

Bob Jackson

### **City of Coolidge**

Tim Hansen

### **City of Eloy**

Chris Vasquez

### **Town of Florence**

Lonnie Frost

### **Town of Kearny**

David Herrera

### **Town of Mammoth**

Sharon Christensen

### **City of Maricopa**

Joshua Plumb

### **Pinal County**

Steve Brown

Jim Mickelson

Jason Riggs

Rusty Riggs

Richard Wilson

### **Town of Queen Creek**

Vacant

### **Town of Superior**

Vacant

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