## RE: Indian Bend Road Traffic Statement - ADT Comparison with Proposed Traffic Calming

Dear Ms. Snider:
CivTech has been retained to evaluate the effect of the proposed traffic calming concept of Indian Bend Road, between Scottsdale Road and Mockingbird Lane. At the request of the Town of Paradise Valley, the developer of the Palmeraie development and related Ritz Carlton development consulted with the Town, City of Scottsdale and CivTech to design a preferred traffic calming concept. A "swoop" concept was previously selected to move forward in concept design plans. Upon further discussions, the design has been modified.

This evaluation considers the proposed design and a 'no traffic calming' condition for a baseline comparison. The proposed concept is included within the Attachments.

No Traffic Calming: The baseline condition to be compared to was considered in a prior version of the Ritz Carlton Traffic Impact Study. This condition is not recommended, but is used to compare projected changes to future traffic volumes. The Palmeraie access to Indian Bend Road would be at a four-legged, 2-way stop intersection. The stop-controlled northbound approach consists of a shared left-turn/through lane and a right-turn lane. The north leg is a driveway for the Scottsdale Plaza Resort and its approach consists of a single lane. The eastbound approach consists of a left-turn lane and a shared through/right-turn lane. The westbound approach consists of a left-turn lane, a through lane and a right-turn lane. The existing roundabout to the west of the future Palmeraie access will remain.

Swoop-Roundabout Concept: The previous swoop design brings all traffic on Indian Bend Road from Scottsdale Road into the Palmeraie development and similarly all traffic leaving Palmeraie to Scottsdale Road. Vehicles on Indian Bend Road approaching from either side could turn to continue on Indian Bend Road. The concept has been refined into a swoop-roundabout concept, which adds a roundabout to the swoop. The roundabout provides full access to all approaches. The configuration no longer restricts access exiting the site and improves the operation of vehicles approaching from the west. The existing roundabout on Indian Bend Road will be replaced with a one-way stop controlled " $T$ " intersection.

The Town of Paradise Valley indicated that some vehicles currently using Indian Bend Road are cut-through traffic that use Mockingbird Lane and Invergordon Road to bypass congested portions of Scottsdale Road. The previous swoop design of Indian Bend Road had the potential to influence cut-through traffic to use Cheney Drive or Hummingbird Lane instead of Indian

Bend Road. The proposed roundabout in the revised design minimizes this potential by reducing delays to vehicles approaching from the west. In addition, the Town plans to modify the intersection of Mockingbird Lane and Indian Bend Road into a roundabout (as a separate project) which could be expected to reduce some delays at the intersection. The proposed swoop-roundabout design is not anticipated to create cut-through traffic on Cheney Road or Hummingbird Lane.

## Projected Daily Traffic Volumes

Traffic volume counts were observed over a 24 -hour period on Thursday, May 11, 2017, on Indian Bend Road east of Mockingbird Lane and on Cheney Drive east of Mockingbird Lane. Traffic volumes were estimated on Hummingbird Lane due to ongoing construction. At the observed locations, 3,190 daily vehicles were recorded on Indian Bend Road and 2,635 daily vehicles were recorded on Cheney Drive. It may be noted that the Cheney Drive traffic count volume may be larger than typical due to the construction on Hummingbird Lane. The typical daily volume on Hummingbird Lane is estimated to be 50 percent of the traffic observed on Cheney Drive which calculates to approximately 1,320 vehicles. Based on observations of the area roads the week of May 22, the estimated count is assumed to be very conservative. The Town did not request Mockingbird Lane to have traffic counted, though it is considered within this study using the 5,000 average daily traffic (ADT) indicated within the Ritz Carlton Traffic Impact Analysis. Since obtaining the traffic counts, the Town has requested projections for traffic volumes at additional locations. This study uses estimates within the Ritz Carlton Traffic Impact Analysis and the Palmeraie Traffic Impact and Mitigation Analysis.

## $\underline{\text { Ritz Carlton and Palmeraie Volume Changes with Traffic Calming }}$

The proposed traffic calming is expected to reduce Palmeraie trips to/from Lincoln Drive via Indian Bend Road and Mockingbird Lane by approximately 1,510 daily trips compared to no traffic calming. These trips are expected to instead travel south to Lincoln Drive via Scottsdale Road ( 1,130 daily trips) or through internal connections to Quail Run Lane ( 380 daily trips). The swoop and roundabout design allows easy access to/from Mockingbird Lane where a signalized intersection with Scottsdale Road allows favorable capacity for site access.

The future total ADT, with the addition of trips to/from Ritz Carlton, Palmeraie and other background growth, are depicted in Exhibit A for the projected conditions without traffic calming, Exhibit B depicts the anticipated daily volumes for the refined "swoop" design.

## Projected Roadway Levels-of Service

Paradise Valley evaluates roadway segment levels-of-service (LOS) based on roadway classification, number of lanes, ADT and volume thresholds within Table 4 within Traffic Impact Analysis (TIA) Criteria and Traffic Impact Statement (TIS) Criteria, dated May 2015. A portion of the table is copied below as Table 2.

Table 2: Roadway Segment Volume Thresholds for LOS by Classification

| Roadway (Urban Area) | \# of Travel Lanes | LOS A | LOS B | LOS C | LOS D | LOS E |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Major Arterial | 3 | 14,880 | 17,360 | 19,840 | 22,320 | 24,800 |
|  | 4 | 24,540 | 28,630 | 32,720 | 36,810 | 40,900 |
|  | 5 | 30,480 | 35,560 | 40,640 | 45,720 | 50,800 |
|  | 6 | 36,480 | 42,560 | 48,640 | 54,720 | 60,800 |
| Minor Arterial | 2 | 11,280 | 13,160 | 15,040 | 16,920 | 18,800 |
|  | 3 | 12,960 | 15,120 | 17,280 | 19,440 | 21,600 |
|  | 4 | 21,540 | 25,130 | 28,720 | 32,310 | 35,900 |
|  | 5 | 22,080 | 25,760 | 29,440 | 33,120 | 36,800 |
| Major Collector | 2 | 5,100 | 5,950 | 6,800 | 7,650 | 8,500 |
|  | 3 | 8,520 | 9,940 | 11,360 | 12,780 | 14,200 |
|  | 4 | 10,560 | 12,320 | 14,080 | 15,840 | 17,600 |
| Minor Collector | 2 | 3,360 | 3,920 | 4,480 | 5,040 | 5,600 |
| Local Street | 2 | 1,200 | 1,400 | 1,600 | 1,800 | 2,000 |

Source: Traffic Impact Analysis (TIA) Criteria and Traffic Impact Statement (TIS) Criteria, Paradise Valley, Table 4
The projected ADT and LOS for each roadway considered is summarized in Table 3. Except on Indian Bend Road, the LOS ratings at the locations evaluated were unchanged with the traffic calming.

Indian Bend Road, east of Mockingbird Lane, is anticipated to improve from LOS C to LOS A with traffic calming. West of Scottsdale Road, Indian Bend Road is anticipated to operate at LOS C with traffic calming which is anticipated to experience a decrease from LOS B without traffic calming. Cheney Road is anticipated to operate at LOS A with or without traffic calming on Indian Bend Road. Hummingbird Lane is anticipated to operate at LOS B with or without traffic calming on Indian Bend Road.

The Town of Paradise Valley may wish to monitor traffic volumes before and after any reconstruction of Indian Bend Road. If desired, the City may conduct future traffic counts at key locations before the Ritz Carlton Resort and/or the Palmeraie development opens.

Table 3: Roadway Segment LOS Summary

| Roadway | Location Reference | Classification | \# of Travel Lanes | Projected LOS and ADT |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | No Calming |  | SwoopRoundabout |  |
| Cheney Drive | East of Mockingbird Lane | Collector (Minor) ${ }^{(1)}$ | 2 | A | 2,640 | A | 2,680 |
| Hummingbird Lane ${ }^{(3)}$ | East of Mockingbird Lane | Local | 2 | B | 1,320 | B | 1,340 |
| Indian Bend Road | East of Mockingbird Lane | Collector (Major) ${ }^{(1)}$ | 2 | C | 6,120 | A | 4,920 |
| Indian Bend Road | West of Scottsdale Road | Collector (Major) ${ }^{(1)}$ | $4^{(2)}$ | B | 11,410 | C | 12,670 |
| Mockingbird Lane ${ }^{(4)}$ | North of Indian Bend Road | Minor Arterial | 2 | A | 7,610 | A | 7,530 |
| Mockingbird Lane ${ }^{(4)}$ | South of Indian Bend Road | Minor Arterial | 2 | A | 8,140 | A | 7,250 |
| Lincoln Drive ${ }^{(4)}$ | West of Mockingbird Lane | Major Arterial | 4 | A | 22,970 | A | 22,970 |
| Lincoln Drive ${ }^{(4)}$ | East of Mockingbird Lane | Major Arterial | 4 | A | 19,780 | A | 20,630 |
| Scottsdale Road ${ }^{(4)}$ | South of Cheney Drive | Major Arterial | 6 | C | 46,130 | C | 46,450 |
| Scottsdale Road ${ }^{(4)}$ | South of Indian Bend Road | Major Arterial | 6 | D | 50,320 | D | 52,880 |

(1) "Minor" or "Major" designation is not indicated within the Town's classification map. This study presumes Cheney Drive is a Minor Collector and Indian Bend Road is a Major Collector.
(2) The Ritz Carlton and Palmeraie developments will construct half-street improvements.
(3) Count could not be conducted due to road construction, volume was estimated using Cheney Drive as a reference.
(4) Base volume retrieved from associated studies.

## CONCLUSIONS

- At the request of the Town of Paradise Valley, the developer of the Palmeraie development and related Ritz Carlton development consulted with the Town, City of Scottsdale and CivTech to design a preferred traffic calming concept. A "swoop" concept was previously selected to move forward in Concept Design plans. Upon further discussions, the design has been modified.
- The proposed traffic calming is expected to reduce Palmeraie trips to/from Lincoln Drive via Indian Bend Road and Mockingbird Lane by approximately 1,510 daily trips compared to no traffic calming. These trips are expected to instead travel south to Lincoln Drive via Scottsdale Road ( 1,130 daily trips) or through internal connections to Quail Run Lane (380 daily trips). The swoop and roundabout design allows easy access to/from Mockingbird Lane where a signalized intersection with Scottsdale Road allows favorable capacity for site access.
- Except on Indian Bend Road, the LOS ratings at the locations evaluated were unchanged with the traffic calming.
o Indian Bend Road, east of Mockingbird Lane, is anticipated to improve from LOS C to LOS A with traffic calming. West of Scottsdale Road, Indian Bend Road is anticipated to operate at LOS C with traffic calming which is anticipated to experience a decrease from LOS B without traffic calming.
o Cheney Road is anticipated to operate at LOS A with or without traffic calming on Indian Bend Road.
o Hummingbird Lane is anticipated to operate at LOS B with or without traffic calming on Indian Bend Road.
- The Town of Paradise Valley may wish to monitor traffic volumes before and after any reconstruction of Indian Bend Road. If desired, the City may conduct future traffic counts at key locations before the Ritz Carlton Resort and/or the Palmeraie development opens.
- The level of service anticipated at the intersection of Scottsdale Road and Lincoln Drive is anticipate to remain consistent at a LOS D with or without traffic calming on Indian Bend Road.
- The level of service at the intersection of Mockingbird Lane and Indian Bend Road currently operates overall at an A. The Town plans to modify the intersection of Mockingbird Lane and Indian Bend Road into a roundabout, as a separate project, which could be expected to reduce some delays at the intersection. Since this is a separate project, evaluation of delay at the intersection is not included within this analysis.

Thank you for allowing CivTech to provide engineering services for this project. Should there be any questions please contact me at 480-659-4250.

Sincerely,

## CivTech



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Attachments:
Exhibit A: 2023 Projected Conditions, No Traffic Calming
Exhibit B: 2023 Projected Conditions, With Traffic Calming
Design Concept
Traffic Counts


Exhibit A: 2023 Projected Conditions


Exhibit B: 2023 Projected Conditions


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