



In Partial Fulfillment of the Requirements for the Degree of

Doctor of Philosophy

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Will defend his dissertation

Populating and Facilitating Urban Sustainability Transition Arenas

Abstract

Urban sustainability transitions require the coordinated efforts of diverse stakeholders. This dissertation details a step-by-step process for initial stakeholder engagement developed under Reinvent Phoenix, a grant from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. Building on initial stakeholder engagement, the second chapter offers criteria for institutionalizing stakeholders into a transition arena. Once a transition arena exists, it can become a platform for transdisciplinary collaboration in pursuit of sustainability goals. The final chapter examines the facilitation of a specific transition arena, through a partnership between the School of Sustainability, the School of Nutrition and Health Promotion, the Center for Policy Informatics, the Phoenix Public Transit Department, and the Citizens Committee for the future of Phoenix Transportation.

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Faculty, students, and the general public are invited.

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