

# GENESEE COUNTY METROPOLITAN ALLIANCE

## Regular Meeting Minutes

**OCTOBER 16, 2013**

The Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance Committee met at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 16, 2013, in the Harris Auditorium of the Genesee County Administration Building, 1101 Beach Street, Third Floor, Flint, Michigan.

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Chairperson Johnson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Chairperson Johnson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**III. ROLL CALL**

Members present and absent were noted as follows:

<b><u>UNIT REPRESENTED</u></b>	<b><u>MEMBERS PRESENT</u></b>	<b><u>MEMBERS ABSENT</u></b>
Genesee County City of Burton		Ellen Ellenburg Robert Spose
City of Clio	William Kovl	Eric Wiederhold Duane Mosher (A)
City of Davison City of Fenton	David Martin Patricia Lockwood	Scott Grossmeyer Les Blanc (A) Dayne Walling Megan Hunter
City of Flint	Kay Muhammad (A)	George Kozan Dennis Bow Matt Telliga Ester Galuska Ray Culbert
City of Flushing City of Grand Blanc		Colleen Brown Frank Crosby (A)
City of Linden		
City of Montrose		

City of Mt. Morris	Dennis Heidenfeldt	Mark Middleton (A)
City of Swartz Creek	John Gilbert	Ronald Schultz
Argentine Township	Robert Cole	Denise Graves (A)
Atlas Township		Shirley Kautman-Jones
Clayton Township		Tere Onica (A)
Davison Township	Robert Widigan	Chris Gehringer
Fenton Township	Robert Cottrell	Matthew Karr
	Andy Marko	
		Vince Lorraine
Flint Township		Robert Krug (A)
	David Arceo	Karyn Miller
		Mike Pifer (A)
Flushing Township	Bill Bain	Rian Birchmeier
		Shirley Gage (A)
Forest Township		Mary Ann Price
		Bob Breckenridge
		Debbie Banyas (A)
Gaines Township	Chuck Timmons	
	Kenneth Draper	
		Diane Hyrman (A)
Genesee Township	Patricia Witte	
	Marian Michalik	
Grand Blanc Township	Scott Bennett	
Montrose Township	Tom Tithof	
Mt. Morris Township	Jerry Deloney	
	Robert Johnson	
		George Wilson (A)
Mundy Township		Mark Frost
		Kelly Kupiec
	Bill Morey (A)	
Richfield Township	Gerry Masters	
Thetford Township		
Vienna Township		Paul Luttenbacher
		Robert Palmer
		Doug McAbee
Goodrich Village		
Otisville Village		
Otter Lake Village		Joan Skias
Lennon Village		

Gaines Village

Donna Archambault  
Dave Lobdell  
Sam Stiff (A)  
Rachael Tupica  
Jeff Wright

Federal Highway Admin  
Gen Cty Drain Comm  
Gen Cty Road Comm  
GCMPC  
Mass Trans Authority  
Mich Dept of Trans

Christine Durgan

Ed Benning  
Jay Reithel  
Pamela Boyd

Linda Burchell

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Gloria Nealy, Mary Ann Ketels, Jason Nordberg, Sharon Gregory and Alberta Gunsell.

**IV. MINUTES**

**A. Minutes of the September 18, 2013 Regular Meeting**

Chairperson Johnson requested corrections and/or additions to the minutes of the September 18, 2013, regular meeting.

Action Taken: Motion by Mr. Cole, supported by Mr. Heidenfeldt, to approve the minutes of the September 18, 2013, regular meeting as presented.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**V. INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS**

No one spoke at this time.

**VI. PUBLIC COMMENT**

No one spoke at this time.

**VII. PUBLIC HEARING**

**A. FY 2011-2014 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment #19**

CHAIRPERSON JOHNSON OPENED THE PUBLIC HEARING AT 7:06 p.m.

Chairperson Johnson provided the public an opportunity to comment on the FY 2011-2014 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment #19. Chairperson Johnson repeated this opportunity for comments twice more with no comments at this time.

CHAIRPERSON JOHNSON CLOSED THE PUBLIC HEARING AT 7:07 p.m.

**VIII. FINANCES**

**A. FY 2014 Dues for Local Units**

Ms. Michalik stated that the Executive Board met prior to this meeting to discuss dues. The Executive Board recommends the dues for FY 2014 to be \$150.00 per local unit. Discussion ensued.

Action Taken: Motion by Mr. Cole, supported by Mr. Heidenfeldt, to approve dues for FY 2014 at \$150.00 per local unit.

Motion Carried – 1 Nay

**IX. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

There were no Committee Reports.

**X. OLD BUSINESS**

**A. Transportation Survey Technical Reports**

Ms. Gregory stated that the Transportation Survey Technical Report was reviewed and approved by the Long Range Transportation Plan Steering Committee and the Technical Advisory Committee. Staff received comments and those comments were incorporated into the report. The Technical Advisory Committee recommends that the Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance approve the Transportation Survey Technical Report.

Action Taken: Motion by Mr. Cole, supported by Mr. Heidenfeldt, to approve the Transportation Survey Technical Report for the 2040 LRTP.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**B. Financial Summary – Phase 1 Technical Report**

Ms. Gregory stated The Financial Summary Technical Report – Phase 1 was reviewed and approved by the Long Range Transportation Plan Steering Committee and the Technical Advisory Committee. Any comments received were incorporated into the report. The Technical Advisory Committee recommends that the Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance approve the Financial Summary – Phase 1 Technical Report

Action Taken: Motion by Mr. Cole, supported by Mr. Heidenfeldt, to approve the Financial Summary – Phase 1 Technical Report for the 2040 LRTP.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**C. MDOT FY 2015 Call for Safety Projects**

Ms. Gregory stated that the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) Local Safety Program is currently holding their Call for Projects. Applications

were due to MDOT by October 4, 2013. The Genesee County Road Commission was the only entity that submitted projects, so staff is providing their prioritized list of projects. The Technical Advisory Committee recommends approval to the Metropolitan Alliance by a Resolution.

Action Taken: Motion by Mr. Cole, supported by Mr. Heidenfeldt, to approve the FY 2015 Safety projects prioritized list as presented and to authorize the Chairperson to sign the Resolution.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**D. FY 2014-2017 Transportation Improvement Program Update**

Ms. Gregory stated that Federal Highway has received our FY 2014-2017 TIP. They were late receiving the TIP from MDOT as our TIP is tied to the state TIP and the State TIP was submitted late. Due to the government shutdown the FTA was unable to review the TIP. The TIP is expected to be approved by Federal Highway in November. Staff is currently working with the 2014 year of the FY 2011-2014 TIP.

**E. FY 2011-2014 Transportation Improvement (TIP) Amendment #19**

Ms. Gregory stated that amendment #19 is a request from MDOT and is focused on moving individual projects to General Program Accounts, allowing more flexibility as projects move forward. This amendment meets the financial constraints of the TIP. The Technical Advisory Committee is recommending approval to the Metropolitan Alliance for Amendment #19 to the FY 2011-2014 Transportation Improvement Program.

Action Taken: Motion by Mr. Heidenfeldt, supported by Ms. Michalik, to approve the FY 2011-2014 Transportation Improvement Amendment #19 as presented.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**XI. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. Draft Bridge Technical Report**

Ms. Gregory stated that the Bridge Technical Report provides data on the current condition of the bridges in Genesee County and funding available for bridge repair and reconstruction. This data is used to forecast the future condition of bridges and funding needs into the year 2040. The report also provides a comparison of bridge conditions to other communities in the State of Michigan and to Michigan and United States averages. This report has been provided to the Long Range Transportation Plan Steering Committee (LRTPSC). The LRTPSC reviewed the document and provided comments which were incorporated into the draft report. This report has been presented to TAC for review. Staff is requesting the Metropolitan Alliance to review this report and

provide comments by October 25, 2013. Approval of this report will be requested at the November meeting.

**B. Draft Genesee County Population Projections Technical Report**

Mr. Nordberg stated that staff developed projections for the City of Flint separately from local units of government outside the City of Flint. This is primarily due to the amount and duration of population loss in the City of Flint. The projections were sent to all communities in Genesee County for their review. Any comments should be made to Jason Nordberg. Discussion ensued.

**C. Regional Prosperity Initiative Prosperity Region VI Application**

Mr. Nordberg stated that representatives from the Prosperity Region VI are developing an application at this time and staff is anticipating an application for \$375,000 at a Tier 2 level that will include the development of a plan for regional prosperity, development of a regional council and potential funding for projects. Applications are due November 1, 2013. The Technical Advisory Committee has recommended support from the Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance for the Regional Prosperity Initiative Prosperity Region VI grant application to be developed and submitted for funding consideration.

Action Taken: Motion by Mr. Cole, supported by Mr. Heidenfeldt to approve submitting a Letter of Support and to authorize the Chairperson to sign the letter.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**XII. OTHER BUSINESS**

There was no Other Business.

**XII. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

There were no Announcements.

**XIII. ADJOURNMENT**

Chairperson Johnson adjourned the meeting at 7:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Alberta Gunsell, Secretary  
Genesee County Metropolitan Planning Commission