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**Genesee County Metropolitan Planning Commission
Metropolitan Alliance Committee (METRO)**

**Genesee County Administration Building
Harris Auditorium
1101 Beach Street, 3rd Floor
Flint, Michigan 48502**

**Wednesday, December 16, 2015
7:00 P.M.**

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Roll Call
- IV. Minutes

***A. Minutes of the November 18, 2015 Regular Meeting (attached)

- V. Introduction of Guests
- VI. Public Comment
- VII. Public Hearing
- VIII. Finances
- IX. Committee Reports

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- X. Old Business
 - A. Draft 2045 Population Projections and Methodology (discussion)
 - B. FY 2017-2020 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Call for Projects Update (attached)
 - C. Governor's Regional Transit Mobility Initiative Update (attached)
- XI. New Business
 - ***A. FY 2014-2017 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment #13 (attached)
 - B. MDOT Local Road Safety Plan Update (attached)
 - C. MDNR 2015 Iron Belle Trail – Round II Funding Opportunity (attached)
 - D. Flint River Water Trail – NPS Technical Assistance (attached)
- XII. Other Business
- XIII. Announcements
- XIV. **Special Holiday Presentation**
- XIV. Adjournment

*****Action Items**

NEXT MEETING – January 20, 2016

GENESEE COUNTY METROPOLITAN ALLIANCE
Regular Meeting Minutes
November 18, 2015

The Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance Committee met at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 18, 2015, 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:

UNIT REPRESENTED

MEMBERS PRESENT

MEMBERS ABSENT

Genesee County
 City of Burton

City of Clio

City of Davison
 City of Fenton

City of Flint

City of Flushing
 City of Grand Blanc

City of Linden

City of Montrose

City of Mt. Morris

City of Swartz Creek

Argentine Township

William Kovl

Ester Galuska

Paul Zelenak
 Mark Richard

Mark Middleton (A)

Ronald Schultz
 Robert Cole

Ellen Ellenburg
 Vaughn Smith

Eric Wiederhold
 Duane Mosher (A)
 Joan Snyder
 Patricia Lockwood
 Les Bland
 Dr. Karen Weaver
 Kay Muhammad (A)
 Kevin Keane
 Brad Barrett

Susan Soderstrom (A)
 Ray Culbert

Dennis Heidenfeldt
 Dan Davis

John Gilbert

Atlas Township		Jane Lefler (A) Shirley Kautman-Jones
	Paulette Johnson	
Clayton Township		Tere Onica (A) Rich Tesner
	Robert Widigan	
Davison Township		Chris Gehringer (A) Matthew Karr Robert Cottrell Robert Kesler
Fenton Township	Andrew Marko	
Flint Township		Robert Krug (A) Karyn Miller
	David Arceo	
Flushing Township		Tracey Tucker (A) Maryion Lee Bill Bain Shirley Gage (A) Mary Ann Price Mark Martin (A)
Forest Township		
Gaines Township	Chuck Timmons Kenneth Draper	
Genesee Township	Patricia Witte Marian Michalik	Diane Hyrman (A)
Grand Blanc Township	Monica Shapiro	Scott Bennett
Montrose Township		Tom Tithof Mark Emmendorfer Jerry Deloney
Mt. Morris Township	Robert Johnson	
Mundy Township	Dianne Down (C) Bill Morey (A) Gerry Masters	Jolena Sanders (A) Kay Doerr
Richfield Township		Eileen Kerr David Cain Joseph Rizk (A) Doug McAbee
Theftord Township		
Vienna Township		
Goodrich Village		Tim Brannan Joan Skias
Otisville Village		
Otter Lake Village		
Lennon Village		Sam Stiff
Gaines Village		Dave Lobdell

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

Diane Nowak (A)
Andrea Dewey
Jeff Wright

Derek Bradshaw
Ed Benning

Mich Dept of Trans

Mary Ann Ketels
Jay Reithel

Pamela Boyd
Larry Doyle

OTHERS PRESENT: Jason Nordberg, Sharon Gregory, Damon Fortney and Debby Compton.

- IV. Minutes**
- ***A. Minutes of the October 21, 2015 Regular Meeting**
Motion: Action: Approved, **Moved by** Robert Cole, **Seconded by** Gerald Masters, to approve the minutes of the October 21, 2015 regular meeting as presented.
Motion passed unanimously.
- V. Introduction of Guests**
No one spoke at this time.
- VI. Public Comment**
There were no Public Comments.
- VII. Public Hearing**
There was no Public Hearing.
- VIII. Finances**
There were no Finances at this time.
- IX. Committee Reports**
There were no Committee Reports.
- X. Old Business**
- A. 2015 Asset Management PASER Survey Report**
Mr. Damon Fortney presented a PowerPoint and stated that a draft report was presented to the Technical Advisory Committee in October, and staff worked to incorporate comments that were received. He stated that the key findings from the 2015 PASER Survey of Genesee County were: both the overall Federal Aid network and the Local Federal Aid network saw a slight improvement each year between 2011 and 2014, followed by a slight decline between 2014 and 2015; State Trunklines in Genesee County, maintained by MDOT, have seen a slight improvement since 2011; Township roads, maintained by the Genesee

County Road Commission (GCRC), saw a significant improvement between 2011 and 2014, followed by a slight decline between 2014 and 2015; Pavement conditions on city and village Federal Aid roads have seen a significant decline each year between 2012 and 2015. Mr. Fortney stated that as less funding is available to make structural improvements, we have seen a shift toward road treatments that focus on preservation, rather than reconstruction. He stated that road preservation techniques such as chip sealing may temporarily improve pavement conditions, however, in the long term, pavement conditions will decline without additional sources of funding for reconstruction projects. Discussion ensued.

B. FY 2017-2020 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Call for Projects Update

Ms. Sharon Gregory stated that the FY 2017-2020 (TIP) Call for projects ended Friday, November 13, 2015. She stated that staff received seventy two (72) road projects, six (6) CMAQ, two (2) trails, twenty (20) applications from MDOT and sixty four (64) from MTA. Ms. Gregory stated that next week staff will start the site visits. She stated that a non-prioritized draft list of TIP projects should be ready in January for the Metropolitan Alliance to review.

XI. New Business

A. Draft 2045 Population Projections and Methodology Report

Mr. Jason Nordberg stated that the main use of the projections is for the transportation model to help project future traffic patterns in Genesee County. He stated that the local units use it for their Master Plans and for some grant applications. Mr. Nordberg stated that 2014 is the base year of the projections and it is also the base year of the Transportation Model. He stated that being the base year, staff used the 2014 census for the projections. He stated that projected households are multiplied by a future estimate for persons per household (PPHH) to calculate population. Mr. Nordberg stated that at the next meeting staff will be requesting approval. Discussion ensued.

B. Transportation Funding Update

Mr. Jason Nordberg stated that the Michigan Department of Transportation provided a handout. Mr. Nordberg stated that the Legislature passed and Governor Snyder signed nine (9) bills into law which will raise \$1.2 billion for the new transportation revenue package. Mr. Nordberg stated that the handout provides an overview of the different bills that were passed and estimates of additional funding for local road agencies in Genesee County. Discussion ensued.

*****C. Letter of Support for I-69 Thumb Region Regional Prosperity 2016 Application**

Mr. Damon Fortney stated that the Regional Prosperity Initiative (RPI) is a voluntary grant process that encourages local private, public and non-profit partners to create vibrant regional economies. He stated that for

the third year (FY 2016), the Governor's budget includes grant funds for the RPI. Mr. Fortney stated that the I-69 Thumb Region will apply for \$250,000 for 2016 to be used to assist with the implementation of projects and strategies outlined in the Accelerate Plan. Mr. Fortney stated that currently, letters of support for the 2016 I-69 Thumb Region Regional Prosperity application are being requested. He stated that staff is requesting the Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance to approve Chairperson Robert Johnson signing a Letter of Support for the Regional Prosperity Initiative application submission.

Motion: Action: Approved, **Moved by** Robert Widigan, **Seconded by** Robert Cole, to approve Chairperson Robert Johnson to sign a Letter of Support for the Regional Prosperity Initiative application submission. Motion passed unanimously.

*****D. 2016 Meeting Dates**

Motion: Action: Approved, **Moved by** Robert Widigan, **Seconded by** Mark Richard, to approve the 2016 Meeting Dates as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

XII. Other Business

There was no Other Business.

XIII. Announcements

There were no Announcements.

XIV. Adjournment

Chairperson Johnson adjourned the meeting at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Debby Compton, Secretary
Genesee County Metropolitan Planning Commission



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MEMORANDUM

TO: Members of the Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance

FROM: Sharon Gregory, Planner III
Genesee County Metropolitan Planning Commission

DATE: December 16, 2015

**SUBJECT: FY 2017-2020 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Call
for Projects Update**

Project applications for the FY 2017-2020 TIP were due to staff by Friday, November 13, 2015. Eighty-eight applications were received from local road agencies in the following categories: 55 Preservation; 14 Reconstruction; 3 Expand; 2 Non-Motorized, and 14 Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) projects. The eighty-eight projects are requesting approximately \$101 million in federal funding, and approximately \$40.6 million in funding is available. Staff has been scoring the applications and has finished doing project site reviews. After the reviews and scoring are complete, staff will begin to work with the TSM Subcommittee to prioritize the projects and select projects for funding. The Mass Transportation Authority (MTA) has identified 68 projects for \$35.6 million in federal funds and \$12.6 million in state funds. The Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) has identified 23 projects for approximately \$52.9 million in federal funds and approximately \$12.2 million in state funds. Please feel free to contact me at sgregory@co.genesee.mi.us or (810) 766-6545 with any questions regarding this process.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Members of the Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance

FROM: Jacob Maurer, Planner I
Genesee County Metropolitan Planning Commission

DATE: December 16, 2015

SUBJECT: **Governor's Regional Transit Mobility Initiative Update**

Phase 2 of the Regional Transit Mobility Initiative is still currently underway. The KFH Group provided staff with a preliminary draft of the transportation needs and a list of potential strategies based on input gained from the September 29th Region 6 workshop. GCMPC staff provided immediate feedback to this preliminary document and is expecting an updated draft in the coming weeks.

To access the complete task 1 report, we have included the following link:

GLS Region V

<http://gcmnpc.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/05/Regional-Transit-GLS-Region-V-Phase-1.pdf>

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Members of the Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance

FROM: Sharon Gregory, Planner III
Genesee County Metropolitan Planning Commission

DATE: December 16, 2015

**SUBJECT: FY 2014-2017 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)
Amendment # 13**

Attached is a description of the proposed projects in the FY 2014-2017 TIP Amendment #13. This amendment changes one (1) project, adds seven (7) projects, and deletes two (2) projects.

This amendment meets the financial constraints of the TIP and will have no disproportionately high or adverse impacts to any of the identified Environmental Justice (EJ) populations in Genesee County.

At this time, staff is recommending endorsement of the attached Amendment #13 to the FY 2014-2017 Transportation Improvement Program from the Technical Advisory Committee to the Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance.

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**FY 2014-2017 Transportation Improvement Program
Proposed Amendment # 13**

Projects proposed to be changed with a TIP Amendment

Year	Agency	Project	Length	Limits	Description	Phase	Fund Type	Federal	State	Local	Total Cost	Comments
2016	GCRC	Coldwater Road	2 1.4	Clio Road to N. Saginaw Road Clio Road to Detroit Street	Reconstruct from 4 lanes to 3 lanes	CON	STU	\$3,742,613 \$2,951,943	\$ -	\$935,653 \$1,128,457	\$ 4,080,400	Change in Terminus and scope; will be a partial Advance Construct project in 2017 for \$387,857.

Projects proposed to be added with a TIP Amendment

Year	Agency	Project	Length	Limits	Description	Phase	Fund Type	Federal	State	Local	Total Cost	Comments
2017	GCRC	Coldwater Road	0.62	Detroit Street to Saginaw Street	Reconstruct from 4 lanes to 3 lanes	CON	STU	\$1,337,600	\$ -	\$ 334,400	\$1,672,000	This project was split off of the original 2016 Coldwater Road (Clio Rd. to N. Saginaw Rd.) project.
2017	GCRC	Coldwater Road (Advance Construct Conversion)	1.4	Clio Road to Detroit Street	Reconstruct from 4 lanes to 3 lanes	CON	STU	\$387,857	\$ -		\$387,857	This is an Advance Construct Conversion for the 2016 Coldwater Road project. (Clio to Detroit)
2017	GCRC	Jennings Road	n/a	Over Kearsley Creek	Replacement	CON	BRO	\$ 536,560	\$ 134,140	\$ 35,300	\$ 706,000	Add
2016	MDOT	I-69	0.44	Under Pedestran Bridge	Bridge Removal	SUB	ST	\$ 43,112	\$ 9,650	\$ -	\$ 52,672	Add
2016	MDOT	I-69	0.44	Under Pedestran Bridge	Bridge Removal	PE	ST	\$ 8,557	\$ 1,897	\$ -	\$ 10,454	Add
2017	MDOT	I-69	0.44	Under Pedestran Bridge	Bridge Removal	CON	ST	\$ 371,367	\$ 82,349	\$ -	\$ 453,716	Add

Projects proposed to be added with a TIP Amendment

Year	Agency	Project	Length	Limits	Description	Phase	Fund Type	Federal	State	Local	Total Cost	Comments
2017	MDOT	M-15	0.76	at Clark Street	Reconstruct	ROW	NH	\$ 613,875	\$ 136,125	\$ -	\$ 750,000	Add

Projects proposed to be deleted with a TIP Amendment

Year	Agency	Project	Length	Limits	Description	Phase	Fund Type	Federal	State	Local	Total Cost	Comments
2016	GCRC	Gale Rd.--Lapeer Rd.	1.7	Gale Rd. --Lapeer Rd. Long Lake Drain to M-15	Non-Motorized Path 10-ft. wide asphalt path	CON	TA	\$ 433,000	\$ -	\$ 127,000	\$ 560,000	Delete
2017	GCRC	Flint River Trail	2.8	Bluebell Beach to Genesee Road	Install a 10 Ft wide non- motorized pathway	CON	TAU	\$ 443,153	\$ -	\$ 1,822,555	\$ 2,265,708	Delete

BRO--Bridge Replacement - Not Classified, Off System

NH--National Highway System

ST--(STP) Surface Transportation Program - Any Area

STU--STP - Urban Areas > 200,000 Population

TA--Transportation Alternatives Program Flex

TAU--Transportation Alternatives Urban Areas > 200K Population



MEMORANDUM

TO: Members of the Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance

FROM: Damon Fortney, Planner I
Genesee County Metropolitan Planning Commission

DATE: December 16, 2015

SUBJECT: MDOT Local Road Safety Plan Update

The Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) has begun working with Regional Planning Organizations to develop Local Road Safety Plans (LRSPs). An LRSP is a formal document that defines key emphasis areas and strategies that impact local roads and provides a framework to accomplish safety enhancements at the local level. An LRSP provides an opportunity for safety stakeholders and involved agencies at all levels of government to work together to align and leverage resources to address safety challenges.

Plans will be developed through Michigan's Regional Planning Organizations (RPOs), and will also have county-specific issues addressed. MDOT is currently working with two regions in the state as part of a pilot program. The results of this pilot program are currently being evaluated to refine the process for other regions. Atkins Group has been selected as the consultant to develop LRSPs for GLS Region V during FY 2016 and 2017. MDOT expects to begin working with RPOs during the month of December, followed by a kickoff meeting in January 2016.

Further information about this program will be provided at a later date. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (810) 766-6560 or dfortney@co.genesee.mi.us.

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TO: Members of the Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance

FROM: Jacob Maurer, Planner I
Genesee County Metropolitan Planning Commission

DATE: December 16, 2015

SUBJECT: MDNR 2015 Iron Belle Trail – Round II Funding Opportunity

The Michigan Department of Natural Resources (MDNR) has announced that a second round of grant funding is available for communities and organizations working on sections of trail that will be part of Michigan's two Iron Belle Trail routes. A total of \$350,000 will be available with a maximum grant award of \$30,000. Match is not required but highly recommended. The following are eligible items for round-two funding:

- Engineering and design assistance.
- Construction project assistance.
- Purchase of Iron Belle signs

Applications can be found under the "Parks & Trails" tab at: <http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/>. Proposals are due to MDNR on **January 8, 2016**. If you need further assistance, contact Kristen Bennett, *MDNR Trails Specialist*, at bennettk@michigan.gov or 248-623-9759. Please also feel free to contact me at jmaurer@co.genesee.mi.us or 810-257-3010.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Members of the Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance

FROM: Jacob Maurer, Planner I
Genesee County Metropolitan Planning Commission

DATE: December 16, 2015

SUBJECT: Flint River Water Trail – NPS Technical Assistance

The Flint River Watershed Coalition (FRWC) has been approved to receive technical assistance through the National Park Service (NPS) in 2016. The FRWC intends to capitalize on this opportunity by building an application to submit for a National Water Trail Designation of the Flint River. "The National Water Trails System is a distinctive national network of exemplary water trails that are cooperatively supported and sustained. The National Water Trails System has been established to protect and restore America's rivers, shorelines, and waterways and conserve natural areas along waterways" (nps.gov).

The FRWC and GCMPC staff, along with other key partners, will kick off the planning process with a Flint River Water Trail Forum on January 21, 2016 in both Genesee and Lapeer Counties. Further details regarding this Forum and other key dates will be sent out in upcoming weeks.

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