

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:

<u>UNIT REPRESENTED</u>	<u>MEMBERS PRESENT</u>	<u>MEMBERS ABSENT</u>
Genesee County City of Burton		Ellen Ellenburg Vaughn Smith
City of Clio	William Kovi	Eric Wiederhold Duane Mosher (A) Joan Snyder Patricia Lockwood Les Bland Dr. Karen Weaver Kay Muhammad (A) Kevin Keane Brad Barrett
City of Davison City of Fenton		
City of Flint		
City of Flushing City of Grand Blanc	Ester Galuska	Susan Soderstrom (A) Ray Culbert
City of Linden	Paul Zelenak Mark Richard	
City of Montrose		
City of Mt. Morris		Dennis Heidenfeldt Dan Davis
City of Swartz Creek	Mark Middleton (A)	John Gilbert
Argentine Township	Ronald Schultz Robert Cole	

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

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

Mich Dept of Trans

Mary Ann Ketels
Jay Reithel

Diane Nowak (A)
Andrea Dewey
Jeff Wright

Derek Bradshaw
Ed Benning

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