

**TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
MINUTES
March 3, 2016**

The Technical Advisory Committee met at 1:30 p.m. on Thursday, March 3, 2016, in the Conference Room of the Genesee County Metropolitan Planning Commission (GCMPC), 1101 Beach Street, Room 223, Flint, Michigan.

I. **Call to Order** 

Chairperson Markland called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

II. **Roll Call** 

Present: Bob Slattery, Craig Williams, Darrell Harden, (on phone) David Guigear, Derek Bradshaw, Elena Danishevskaya, Fred Peivandi, Jakki Sidge, Karen Miller, Larry Doyle, Larry Green, Lynn Markland, Mary Ann Ketels, Robert Cole, Robert Johnson, Ryan Doyle, Shirley Kautman-Jones, Tom Svrcek.

Absent/Excused: Andrea Dewey, Bonnie Mathis, Brad Barrett, Byran Sutton, Carl Johnson, Chris Gehringer, Dave Cain, Dave Miller, David Arceo, David Dorr, Ed Benning, Eileen Kerr, Eric Wiederhold, Jay Reithel, Joseph Madore, Joseph Medici, Karyn Miller, Kay Muhammad, Mark Emmendorfer, Mary Ann Price, Maryion Lee, Michael Hart, Michael Pifer, Micki Hoffman, Neal Rankin, Pamela Boyd, Paul Fortino, Paul Zelenak, Robert Jennings, Sam Stiff, Steven Fuhr, Wendy Jean-Buhrer.

Others Present: Jill Bauer, Ken Johnson, Jason Nordberg, Sharon Gregory, Damon Fortney, Jacob Maurer and Debby Compton.

New MDOT rep, Darrell Harden on the phone.

III. **Minutes** 

***A. **Minutes of the February 4, 2016 Regular Meeting**

Jason Nordberg stated that there were additions to the attendee list after the agenda packet went out.

Motion: Action: Approved, **moved by** Robert Cole, **supported by** Fred Peivandi, to approve the minutes of the February 4, 2016 regular meeting with the addition of the attendees.

Motion passed unanimously.

IV.  **Old Business**

A. FY 2017-2020 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Projects Update

Sharon Gregory stated that the draft FY 2017-2020 Transportation Improvement Program Projects list was approved at last month's Metropolitan Alliance. She stated that staff is getting ready to release a postcard announcing the projects are out for public review and comment with three public input sessions coming up in March. Ms. Gregory stated that the TSM subcommittee will meet on Friday, March 11, 2016 at 10:00 a.m.

Jason Nordberg stated that he just received updated allocations before this meeting. He stated that we haven't had a chance to thoroughly review the numbers yet but it looks like we may be able to fund several additional projects. Discussion ensued.

B. MDOT Safety Plan 

Damon Fortney stated that staff is currently working with MDOT and the Atkins Group on a Regional Safety Plan. He stated that there will be several meetings held throughout the year for safety stakeholders to provide input including road agencies, transit agencies, police and sheriff's departments from the region. Mr. Fortney stated that the first meeting will be held on March 9th at the MTA building. He stated that these meetings will be interactive allowing discussion of what our emphasis areas should be and what targets should be set for improving safety. He stated that if anyone had questions about the Local Road Safety Plan they could contact him.

V. **New Business**

*** **A. FY 2014-2017 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment #15**



Sharon Gregory stated that the 2014-2017 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment #15 adds two (2) projects and deletes one (1) project. She stated that the Genesee County Road Commission is adding a bridge replacement on Bristol Road and deleting the bridge replacement on Henderson Road because it was not funded. Ms. Gregory also stated that the Michigan Department of Transportation is adding a project on M-54. She stated that 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. Ms. Gregory stated that at this time staff is recommending approval of Amendment #15 to the FY 2014-2017 Transportation Improvement Program.

Motion: Action: Approved, **moved by** Robert Cole, **supported by** Fred Peivandi, to approve the FY 2014-2017 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment #15

B. Draft 2045 Employment Projections and Methodology Report 

Jacob Maurer presented a PowerPoint on the Draft 2045 Employment

Projections and Methodology. He stated that this is an updated version of the Genesee County Employment Projections and an update to what we originally had in the 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan. Mr. Maurer stated that for accuracy staff contacted all employers with over 100 employees in Genesee County. Mr. Maurer stated that staff will send out a Methodology report following this meeting. He stated that staff would like everyone to review the report and at the next meeting staff will be asking for approval on the Draft 2045 Employment Projections and Methodology Report. Discussion ensued.

C. FY 2016 Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER) Grant 

Damon Fortney stated that the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) has released a Notice of Funding Opportunity for the 2016 Consolidated Appropriations Act, also known as the TIGER Discretionary Grants program. He stated that the 2016 program appropriates \$500 million to be awarded for capital investments in surface transportation infrastructure across the country. Mr. Fortney stated that the FY 2016 funds are available for obligation until September 30, 2019, and grant funds have until September 30, 2024 to be expended. He stated that the applications must be submitted online by April 29, 2016.

VI. Other Business 

Ken Johnson of the Genesee County Road Commission stated that they had a very informative meeting Wednesday, March 2nd at MDOT. He stated it was announced they are going toward a web based program. Mr. Johnson stated that there will be a website that will show all TIP projects. Discussion ensued.

Jakki Sidge stated that the Michigan Association of Township Supervisors (MATS) is sponsoring a lunch seminar on traumatic events in communities on Monday, March 7, 2016, at 11:00 a.m. in Alpine Township. Ms. Sidge stated that they are having two (2) keynote speakers that are experts on this topic. She stated that it is in light of what happened recently in Kalamazoo and in Fenton with the carbon monoxide deaths. Ms. Sidge stated that the cost is \$18.00 for both the event and lunch.

VII. Announcements

There were no Announcements.

VIII. Adjournment

Chairperson Markland adjourned the meeting at 2:08 p.m.

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