

**TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING  
MINUTES  
February 4, 2016**

The Technical Advisory Committee met at 1:30 p.m. on Thursday, February 4, 2016, in the Conference Room of the Genesee County Metropolitan Planning Commission (GCMPC), 1101 Beach Street, Room 223, Flint, Michigan.

I.  **Call to Order**

Vice Chairperson Peivandi called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

II.  **Roll Call**

**Present:** Andrea Dewey (by phone), Bob Slattery (1:34), David Guigear, Derek Bradshaw (1:36), Elena Danishevskaya, Fred Peivandi, Jim Koenig, Karen Miller, Larry Green, Mary Ann Price, Robert Cole, Robert Johnson, Ryan Doyle, Tom Svrcek.

**Absent/Excused:** Bonnie Mathis, Brad Barrett, Byran Sutton, Carl Johnson, Chris Gehringer, Craig Williams, Dave Cain, Dave Miller, David Arceo, David Dorr, Ed Benning, Eileen Kerr, Eric Wiederhold, Erik Tamlyn, Jakki Sidge, Jay Reithel, John Barsalou, Joseph Madore, Kay Muhammad, Lynn Markland, Mark Emmendorfer, Michael Hart, Michael Pifer, Micki Hoffman, Pamela Boyd, Paul Fortino, Paul Zelenak, Rian Birchmeier, Robert Jennings, Sam Stiff, Shirley Kautman-Jones, Steven Fuhr, and Tom Darnell.

**Others Present:** Mary Ann Ketels, Jill Bauer, Dennis Heidenfeldt, Jason Nordberg, Sharon Gregory, Damon Fortney, Jacob Maurer and Debby Compton.

III.  **Minutes**

\*\*\*A. **Minutes of the January 7, 2016 Regular Meeting**

**Motion: Action:** Approve, **moved by** Robert Cole, **supported by** Robert Johnson, to approve the minutes of the January 7, 2016 regular meeting as presented.

Motion passed unanimously.

IV.  **Old Business**

A. **2016 Asset Management PASER Training**

Damon Fortney stated that the 2016 Asset Management PASER training is coming in February and to get reimbursed for your time spent surveying federal aid roads you have to go to the training. Training and Webinar dates were shared with the committee. Discussion ensued.

**B.  MDOT Safety Plan**

Damon Fortney stated that they met with MDOT and the consultant that is working on the Regional Safety Plans for Genesee, Lapeer and Shiawassee Counties. Mr. Fortney stated that when they met with them they provided an overview of what would be included in these plans. He stated the plan will identify the biggest traffic and safety issues in our area. For example, drunk driving or younger drivers getting in accidents. Mr. Fortney stated they are going to have a variety of maps in these plans with some more generalized recommendations. The plans will also identify segments with the greatest safety issues. Mr. Fortney stated that there will be a meeting on March 9<sup>th</sup> at the MTA for the Genesee, Lapeer and Shiawassee Counties to discuss safety issues going on in the Region.

**C.  Flint River Water Trail – NPS Technical Assistance**

Jacob Maurer stated that on January 21<sup>st</sup> staff participated in two Flint River Watershed Coalition (FRWC) forums. He stated that the forums were a success in extracting the local knowledge needed to begin to develop an action plan for National Water Trail Designation. Mr. Maurer stated that in the upcoming months, the FRWC will be reaching out to individuals and organizations who offered interest in forming a water trail council.

**V.  New Business**

**\*\*\* A. FY 2014-2017 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment #14**

Sharon Gregory stated this was not included in your packet and is a handout. She stated that this amendment changes three projects and adds five projects. Ms. Gregory 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 endorsement of Amendment #14 to the FY 2014-2017 Transportation Improvement Program from the Technical Advisory Committee to the Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance.

**Motion: Action:** approve, **moved by** Robert Cole, **supported by** David Guigear, to approve endorsement of Amendment #14 to the FY 2014-2017 Transportation Improvement Program to the Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance.  
Motion passed unanimously.

**\*\*\* B.  FY 2017-2020 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Draft Prioritized List of Projects**

Sharon Gregory stated that the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Draft Prioritized List of Projects has been prioritized based on application scores. Ms. Gregory stated that staff has also included projects received from the Mass Transportation Authority and the Michigan Department of Transportation. Ms. Gregory stated that the Transportation Systems

Management Subcommittee (TSM) has recommended that the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) provide a recommendation of approval for the identified projects to the Metropolitan Alliance allowing staff to begin public comment and further analysis. Discussion ensued.

**Motion: Action:** approve, **moved by** David Guigear, **supported by** Robert Slattery, to approve the identified projects to the Metropolitan Alliance to allow staff to begin public comment and further analysis. Motion passed unanimously.

VI.  **Other Business**

There was no Other Business.

VII.  **Announcements**

Jim Koenig stated that a lot of local agencies have been calling MDOT and asking how the revenue from the FAST ACT is going to impact their current year allocations. He stated MDOT is still waiting for the dollar amounts to be populated within their financial system by FHWA. He stated that they have roughly figured there would be about a 5% increase between 2015 and 2016 for what the state will receive. Mr. Koenig stated that once the actual state numbers are released their financial person will run them through the ACT 51 formula and provide updated allocations to each individual agencies as soon as possible. He stated that there was a one page document that was recently sent out to the Regional Planning Agencies that stated what I just shared.

Jim Koenig also announced that he is leaving MDOT and moving to Florida taking a new job. He stated that February 19, 2016 will be his last day.

Derek Bradshaw stated that the GCMPC Annual Report was just released. Mr. Bradshaw passed out copies to the committee and stated that there are more available so take some and share them.

Andrea Dewey stated that she is available if anyone has questions regarding the FAST Act however, she stated that she is limited in what she can share.

VIII.  **Adjournment**

Vice Chairperson Peivandi adjourned the meeting at 1:52 p.m.

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