

**TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
MINUTES
May 3, 2018**

The Technical Advisory Committee met at 1:30 p.m. on Thursday, May 3, 2018, in the Conference Room of the Genesee County Metropolitan Planning Commission (GCMPC), 1101 Beach Street, Room 223, Flint, Michigan.

I. Call to Order 

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

II. Roll Call 

Present: Alex Patsy, Andrea Schroeder, Bob Slattery, Brad Barrett, Derek Bradshaw, Don Mayle, Ed Benning, Fred Peivandi, Jakki Sidge, Joseph Medici, Larry Doyle, Lynn Markland, Mark Adas, Mary Ann Ketels, Michael Pifer, and Robert Johnson.

Absent/Excused: Aaron Dawson, Adam Zettel, Betty Wideman, Bonnie Mathis, Brian Saad, Chris Gehringer, Craig Williams, Curtis Armstrong, Dave Miller, David Dorr, David Guigear, Emily Alexander, Eric Weiderhold, Frederick Thorsby, Gary Stevens, Jay Reithel, Joseph Madore, Joseph Rizk, Karen Miller, Karyn Miller, Larry Green, Mark Emmendorfer, Mary Ann Price, Neil Rankin, Paul Fortino, Paul Zelenak, Ryan Doyle, Sam Stiff, Scott Bennett, Steven Furh, Teresa Onica, tom Svrcek, Vicki Fishell, and Wendy Jean-Buhrer.

Others Present: Shawnice Dorsy, Jason Nordberg, Sharon Gregory, Damon Fortney, Jacob Maurer, and Debby Compton.

III. Minutes 

*****A. Minutes of the April 5, 2018 Regular Meeting**

Motion: Action: Approve, **Moved by** Robert Johnson, **Supported by** Michael Pifer, to approve the minutes of the April 5, 2018 regular meeting as presented.

Motion passed unanimously.

IV. Old Business 

*****A. FY 2019 Unified Work Program (UWP)**

Jason Nordberg stated that the 2019 Fiscal Year UWP outlines the main transportation work activities staff will be doing, such as the update of the Combined Plan and the Long Range Plan. Also, in October, staff will start the Call for Projects for the FY 2020-2023 Transportation Improvement Program

(TIP). Staff will work with MTA to do a study of electronic vehicles infrastructure in Genesee County, as well as a roundabout study. Staff will talk with local units regarding these studies, to see if there are areas they want to look at. Mary Ann Ketels stated that before MTA does the electronic vehicles study they will be doing a ridership survey.

Mr. Nordberg stated that the transit funds will remain the same. Money that GCMPC uses for the highway side has increased by 2% in 2019. In general, GCMPC will receive a small increase from previous years. At this time, staff is requesting that the Technical Advisory Committee provide a recommendation of approval for the FY 2019 Unified Work Program (UWP) to the Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance. Discussion ensued.

Motion: Action: Approve, **Moved by** Lynn Markland, **Supported by** Jakki Sidge, to approve the FY 2019 Unified Work Program as presented.

Motion passed unanimously.

B. Genesee: Our County, Our Future – update 


Jacob Maurer stated that over the past couple of months, staff has talked to over a hundred stakeholders, such as elected officials, social service agencies, state and federal agencies, community advocacy groups and public institutions. GCMPC held three open house sessions last week; one each in Fenton, Clio and Flint. As of this morning, we had over three hundred surveys completed.

Mr. Maurer stated that there are three (3) \$2,000 beautification grants tied to the survey. The three (3) communities with the highest percentage of population that complete the survey will each receive a \$2,000 beautification grant. These grants can be used to do such things as plant a tree, downtown street scaping, or benches, or to put with a current project the community has in progress, etc.

Derek Bradshaw stated that there is no match requirement and it's a simple one-page Memorandum of Understanding. The survey competition ends on May 31st. At this time, staff is out in the communities doing a housing conditions survey. Some upcoming data collection areas include a recycling survey analysis, the first phase of the roundabout study, and some land use analysis as well. Mr. Maurer reviewed the timeline with the committee. Discussion ensued.

V. New Business 

*****A. FY 2017-2020 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment #12**

 Sharon Gregory stated that this amendment has been revised since agenda packets were e-mailed, with handouts available. The revision was due to one Genesee County Road Commission trail project receiving additional funding. This amendment is adding eight (8) projects, with seven of those projects being MDOT projects. They are mostly safety upgrades. One project that is getting added is a Genesee County Road Commission railroad crossing project. Staff is also proposing to change two projects, both of those are Genesee County Road Commission projects. One is the Dort Highway

Extension that has a revised funding estimate and the other one is the Argentine LAFF Pathway that has received additional funding. 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. The projects that are getting amended are eligible for the funding programmed, and they meet the intended state including State TEDF Category C and federal goals and objectives identified for the funding. At this time, staff is recommending endorsement of Amendment #12 to the FY 2017-2020 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) from the Technical Advisory Committee to the Genesee County Metro Alliance.

Motion: Action: Approve, **Moved by** Ed Benning, **Supported by** Fred Peivandi, to recommend endorsement of the FY 2017-2020 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment #12 to the Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance.

Alex Patsy of the Genesee County Road Commission, stated that there appears to be a typo. An MDOT project in the City of Flushing appears to be listed twice. Potter Road should be a Genesee County Road Commission project. Ms. Gregory stated that she will contact MDOT to get this cleared up. Discussion ensued.

Motion to amend this TIP as discussed.

Motion: Action: Approve, **Moved by** Fred Peivandi, **Supported by** Andrea Schroeder, to recommend endorsement of the FY 2017-2020 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment #12 with amendment as discussed to the Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance.

Motion passed unanimously.

B. Review of Current Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Policies, Procedures, and Project Applications 

Sharon Gregory advised that the FY 2020-2023 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Call for Projects will go out this fall. Before we can proceed with that, the policies, procedures and project applications must be put in place first. Over the next several months staff will be setting up Transportation System Management (TSM) Subcommittee meetings to finalize the policies, procedures, and project applications. During this process, there are discussions about what needs to be updated. Past discussions have included things like: PASER points; money for preliminary engineering and construction engineering; and money for reconstruction projects. It is very important to have all of our TIP policies in place. We are waiting for direction from MDOT regarding our CMAQ funds. They may be covered up to 2020, but staff needs direction on what happens with our CMAQ funds after 2020. Before the Call for Projects goes out, staff needs the PASER data and our allocations to see what our monies are doing for our new TIP. The committee advised they

would like an email on who is on the TSM committee and who has official voting rights. Discussion on Air Quality Conformity ensued.

C. 2018 Asset Management PASER Program 

Damon Fortney advised that starting June 4th – 8th and June 11th – 15th staff will be going around the county rating all federal aid roads. Since it is federal aid roads local agencies are invited to participate. There will be an MDOT, Genesee County Road Commission and GCMPC staff person in the vehicle. If a local unit of government wants to participate they can also ride along. If they have taken the PASER training they can be reimbursed for participating. If not, it is still a good opportunity to take a look at the roads and see how they are rated. Staff will also be doing local roads this year. Parties interested in rating roads should contact Damon Fortney. Discussion ensued.

D. 2018 Michigan Department of Transportation Road Projects 

Larry Doyle of the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT), passed around a three-page handout to the committee. Mr. Doyle presented a PowerPoint on FY2018 – 2022 MDOT projects. Discussion ensued.

Lynn Markland inquired about bridge inspection information. Mr. Doyle stated that he would provide the bridge inspection database to Mr. Markland.

*****E. Election of Officers** 

Jason Nordberg stated that the election committee met last month after the TAC meeting and discussed the election of officers. The Election Committee's recommendation is to keep the current rotation which would be Chair-Ed Benning (MTA), Vice-Chair-Lynn Markland (Small Cities/Villages), Secretary-Fred Peivandi (GCRC), Bye-Bob Slattery (Large Cities).

Motion: Action: Approve, **Moved by** Andrea Schroeder, **Supported by** Jakkie Sidge, to accept the election committee's recommendation to keep the current rotation of Chair, Ed Benning, Vice-Chair, Lynn Markland, Secretary, Fred Peivandi, and Bye, Bob Slattery.

Motion passed unanimously.

Derek Bradshaw announced that MDOT just sent an email with their new Air Quality requirements effective immediately. Staff will be looking into what that means for TIP projects and TIP amendments.

Larry Doyle, Davison TSC manager, announced that he has accepted a position within MDOT but back in Lansing. His new position will be the Development Services Division Administrator.

VI. Other Business

No Other Business.

VII. Announcements

A. Recycle Day – May 12, 2018

Derek Bradshaw announced that the next recycle day event is at the Grand Blanc High School on Saturday, May 12th. Grand Blanc is our most popular site so staff estimates there will be between 1,200 and 1,600 vehicles. New this year, we have Tuesday events at Mott Community College on June 12th, July 10th, Aug 14th and Oct 9th, from 2 p.m. – 6 p.m. However, staff will not be accepting appliances or tires at these events. Discussion ensued.

Jacob Maurer announced that this year in place of the Planning Forum we will be hosting a Planning Workshop on Wednesday, May 23rd at the UM-Flint University Center. The topic will be on Planning & Zoning Essentials. We have a guest speaker coming in from Giffels and Webster. Handouts are still available from staff for anyone that has not received one. GCMPC is planning on average two (2) of these types of workshops each year in place of the Annual Planning Forum.

VIII. Adjournment

Chairperson Slattery adjourned the meeting at 2:53 p.m.

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