

GENESEE COUNTY TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Thursday, January 9, 2025 1:30 p.m.

MINUTES

The Genesee County Technical Advisory Committee met at 1:30 p.m. on Thursday, January 9, 2025, in Room 301 of the Genesee County Administration Building, 1101 Beach Street, Flint, Michigan, 48502.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Alex Patsy called the meeting to order at approximately 1:30 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

Chairperson Patsy announced that a sign-in sheet would be used for today's official roll call. No verbal roll call was done.

Present: Adam Zettel, Alex Patsy, Amber Abbey, Andrea Schroeder, Corey Jarbeau, Derek Bradshaw, Dylan Campbell, Ed Benckly, Dennis McDonagh, Larry Green, Lynn Markland, Max Gierman, Michael Pifer, Michele Zawerucha, Michelle King, Paige DeHate, Reggie Smith, and Robert Cole.

Absent/Excused: Brian Ulman, Chad Young, Chris Yeates, Christina Nicholaides, Clyde Edwards, Coetta Adams, Connie Greene, Dan Eashoo, David Dorr, Ed Benning, Ellen Glass, Eric Johnston, Frederick Thorsby, James Slezak, Jay Reithel, Joseph Madore, Joseph Rizk, Karyn Miller, Mary Ann Price, Melinda Johnson, Neil Rankin, Olayinka Ajimoko, Paul Fortino, Rachel Stanke, Randall Naumann, Richard Bayus, Robert Bincsik, Rod McGaha, Scott Bennett, Shawnice Dorsey, Sheri Wilkerson, Shirley Kautman-Jones, Spencer Lewis, Susan Weber, Thomas Spillane, Vadice Burgett, Vince Lorraine, and Wendy Jean-Buhrer.

Others Present: Jacob Maurer, Cody Roblyer, Kris Garris, McKenna Dutkiewicz, Dru Hajec and Theresa LeFavour.

III. MINUTES

***** A. Minutes of the December 12, 2024 Regular Meeting**

Motion: Action: Approve, **Moved by** Robert Cole, **Supported by** Reggie Smith, to approve the minutes of the December 12, 2024 regular meeting as presented. **Motion carried unanimously.**

IV. OLD BUSINESS

None

V. NEW BUSINESS

*****A. FY 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment #21**

Ms. McKenna Dutkiewicz stated this amendment changes two projects in the FY 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program. The first project is the Embury Rd. project requiring a technical correction from 0.36 miles to 1.28 miles. The limits have not changed. The second project is the Genesee County Road Commission's (GCRC) Van Slyke Rd. project. This project received new engineer's estimates. The construction budget increased from \$285,084 to \$423,197. GCRC has updated the local contribution to account for the budget increase.

Motion: Action: Approve, **Moved by** Amber Abbey, **Supported by** Michael Pifer, to approve the FY 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment #21. **Motion carried unanimously.**

*****B. Genesee County 2045 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) Reaffirmation**

Mr. Cody Roblyer stated staff is in the process of updating the Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP). The current LRTP expires May 30, 2025. An LRTP needs to be in place at all times. Staff have reviewed the 2045 LRTP and have found that the analysis and recommendations of the plan are still valid and applicable for our county at this time. The reaffirmation of the 2045 LRTP will be in effect until May 31, 2026.

Motion: Action: Request that the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) recommend approval to the Metropolitan Alliance to reaffirm the 2045 LRTP through May 31, 2026, **Moved by** Robert Cole, **Supported by** Amber Abbey, to approve the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) recommend approval to the Metropolitan Alliance to reaffirm the 2045 LRTP through May 31, 2026. **Motion carried unanimously.**

C. FY 2024 Annual Status Report of TIP Projects

Ms. Dutkiewicz stated the Genesee County Planning Commission has published the 2024 annual listing of Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) projects. There was approximately a \$65 million investment into the Genesee County transportation network. These investments include \$11.6 million in Bridge Work \$161,705 in Commuter Services, \$0 in Non-Motorized Facilities, \$12.4 million in Road Restoration/Resurfacing, \$1.4 million in Safety, \$34.5 million in Transit Equipment, Facilities and Services, and \$4.5 million in other improvements. The complete list of TIP projects is available for review on our website at <https://gcmpc.org/transportation/>.

Mr. Michael Pifer inquired if all projects in the 2024 TIP are completely filed. Mr. Jacob Maurer responded that these are projects that have been obligated. Discussion ensued.

D. Genesee County Master Plan 2025 Update

Mr. Kris Garris stated Genesee County Metropolitan Planning staff is currently updating the 2025 Genesee County Master Plan. This document will serve as the 2050 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) for our Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) and meet all federal requirements. When the technical reports are completed, drafts will be rolled

out to the appropriate committees for approval. Committees will be asked to review and comment on the technical reports and provide necessary feedback to shape the plan. As part of our public involvement, staff have been interviewing key agencies and organizations to gather input for the Master Plan update, as well as a public survey which had over 650 responses. Updates will continue to be brought to the appropriate committees.

E. 2025 Michigan Transportation Asset Management Council (TAMC) PASER Training

Mr. Garris stated that the Michigan Transportation Asset Management has announced their 2025 PASER training dates. Registration information can be found on our website. The program consists of two classes, PASER 1 and PASER 2 with both needing to be completed to become certified.

Chairperson Patsy inquired if the TMC for PASER rating in 2025 has any projects on which roads will be done in 2025 in Genesee County. Mr. Garris responded that staff will be evaluating Lapeer and Shiawassee counties this year as Genesee County was evaluated last year. Mr. Maurer added that we will also be looking at the non-federal aid roads in Genesee County. In the years we are not collecting federal aid in Genesee County, we look at the conditions of the non federal aid roads.

F. CMAQ Interim Guidance

Ms. Dru Hajec stated that on October 28, 2024, the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) released the 2024 Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement (CMAQ) Program Interim Guidance as revised by Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL). One of the key changes made includes new eligibility for shared micromobility which refers to fleets of micromobility devices (scooters, bicycles) that are available to the public for shared use between multiple users. Capital costs that are integral to the establishment or expansion of bikesharing or shared scooter systems (including docks, equipment, and the purchase of bicycles, including the e-bikes and scooters) are now eligible for CMAQ funds.

Discussion ensued.

G. Local Agency Advance Construction Opportunity

Mr. Maurer stated that Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) has released additional guidance regarding a local agency advance construction opportunity. MDOT has funds available on a first-come, first-serve basis to allow local agencies to not have to up-front their local share if they are advance constructing a project.

VI. OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Maurer stated that communication was sent out January 8th from Mr. Garris regarding culvert data. If your road agency is interested in collecting condition culvert data, please get that information to staff by January 17, 2025. The State will look at the requests and determine if there is enough funding to go into each of the regions: Genesee, Shiawassee and Lapeer Counties.

Discussion ensued.

VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chairperson Patsy stated the Genesee County Road Commission is kicking off a series of internal pavement meetings. These are a broad look at paving the road commission does and tracking of the work needed on local roads.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson Patsy adjourned the meeting at approximately 2:02 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Theresa LeFavour
Genesee County Metropolitan Planning Commission