

GENESEE COUNTY TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Thursday, January 12, 2023 1:30 p.m.

MINUTES

The Genesee County Technical Advisory Committee met at 1:30 p.m. on Thursday, January 12, 2023 in the Harris Auditorium of the Genesee County Administration Building, 1101 Beach Street, Flint, Michigan, 48502.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Vice-Chairperson Lynn Markland called the meeting to order at approximately 1:34 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

Mr. Jason Nordberg 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, Derek Bradshaw, Ellen Glass, Eric Johnston, Lynn Markland, Mark Adas, Max Gierman, Michael Pifer, Michelle King, Shawnice Dorsey and Wendy Jean-Buhrer

Absent/Excused: Brian Saad, Brian Ulman, Chad Young, Chris Yeates, Christina Ignasiak, Craig Williams, Curtis Armstrong, Dan Eashoo, Dave Miller, David Dorr, Don Mayle, Ed Benning, Emily Alexander, Eric Weiderhold, Frederick Thorsby, James Slezak, Jay Reithel, Jolena Sanders-Sim, Joseph Madore, Joseph Rizk, Karyn Miller, Mark Emmendorfer, Mary Ann Price, Neil Rankin, Paul Fortino, Rachel Stanke, Robert Bincsik, Sam Stiff, Scott Bennett, Sheri Wilkerson, Shirley Kautman-Jones, Thomas Spillane, Tim Elkins, Tonya Ketzler, Vadice Burgett, Vicki Fishell and Vince Lorraine

Others Present: Jason Nordberg, Kris Garris and Renate Soto.

III. MINUTES

*****A. Minutes of the December 1, 2022 Regular Meeting**

Motion: Action: Approve, **Moved by** Ellen Glass, **Supported by** Andrea Schroeder, to approve the minutes of the December 1, 2022 regular meeting as presented.

Motion carried unanimously.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

NONE

V. NEW BUSINESS

*****A. FY 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment #5**

Mr. Norberg stated that TIP Amendment #5 adds 5 new projects and abandons 2 projects in the FY 2023-2026 TIP. Three of the projects being added are MDOT projects involving a new sound wall at the I-69 and I-475 interchange, another project adds a dedicated

center-left hand turn lane to Torrey Road, and the final project being added includes several GPA projects that were awarded 2024 Safety Funding. The three projects being abandoned are now being funded with MDOT buyout funding. At this time, staff is recommending the endorsement of attached Amendment #5 to the FY 2023-2026 TIP from the Technical Advisory Committee to the Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance.

Motion: Action: Approve. **Moved by** Michael Pifer, **Supported by** Eric Johnston, to approve Amendment #5 to the FY 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program as presented.

Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion ensued.

*****B. 2023 Safety Performance Measure Targets**

Mr. Garris stated that on September 30, 2022, MDOT submitted statewide safety targets for calendar year 2023 as required to meet performance measure requirements of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) annually. He further stated that the 2022 safety targets were previously adopted by the Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance (GCMA) and that we have until March 29, 2023 to either adopt the statewide targets or to set our own. Mr. Garris reviewed the five statewide performance targets, which include Fatalities, Fatality Rate, Serious Injuries, Serious Injury Rate and Non-Motorized Fatalities & Serious Injuries and compared them to Genesee County crash trends. At this time, staff is requesting that TAC provide a recommendation of approval to the GCMA to adopt the statewide safety targets for 2023 through the resolution of support.

Motion: Action: Approve. **Moved by** Eric Johnston, **Supported by** Michael Pifer, to provide a recommendation of approval to the GCMA to adopt the statewide safety targets for 2023 and for the GCMA Chairperson to sign the Safety Targets Resolution.

Motion carried unanimously.

C. FY 2022 Annual Status Report of TIP Projects

Mr. Garris stated GCMPC is required to provide the status of the TIP projects within 90 days of the end of the fiscal year. He further stated that the list was provided in the agenda packet and is located on our website for further review. The project list includes Bridge Work, Commuter Services, Non-Motorized Facilities, Road Restoration/Resurfacing, Safety, Transit Equipment, Facilities & Services, and other miscellaneous improvements totaling in a \$69 million dollar investment. Mr. Garris thanked the local agencies that made these improvements possible.

D. Genesee County Road Commission (GCRC) Road Condition Presentation

Mr. Patsy gave a presentation on current road conditions in Genesee County. This information was gathered from the PASER (Pavement Surface Evaluation and Rating) that is done each year. He stated that every 2 years every hard surface road is completed with the help of the staff at GCMPC, with federal aid routes being done on the odd years and non-federal aid routes being completed on the even years. The presentation was broken down by 2 lane primary roads and multi-lane primary roads. With the PASER rating system, the roads are assessed with a number system of 1-4 (poor), 5-7 (fair) and 8-10 (good). Mr. Patsy stated that overall the conditions of the roads in Genesee County have improved in the last few years and they are continuing to trend favorably. He also spoke regarding bridge conditions in Genesee County, which are rated as good, fair and poor. The County has 121 bridges in total, with just 27 of those in

poor condition and some of those bridges are on the repair/reconstruction schedule in the next few years.

VI. OTHER BUSINESS

NONE

VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. Federal Certification Review Notification

Mr. Nordberg stated that the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) will be conducting a Certification Review of the GCMPC transportation planning process on February 8th and 9th, 2023. This review will be conducted virtually. Representatives from these agencies will also attend the METRO meeting in February to ask if any of the Committee members have any questions. He stated that a survey would be sent out to Committee members and it would be very helpful if members respond to the survey with their feedback. A final summary report of the Review is expected to be completed sometime in May, that may include identifying best practices, exchanging information and identifying improvements needed.

Mr. Bradshaw stated that Jacob Maurer, a former Planner with GCMPC, will be coming back to our agency as a Supervisor, Community Planner. He will be working in the transportation department for the next 6-12 months.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Vice-Chairperson Markland adjourned the meeting at approximately 2:31 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Renate Soto, Secretary
Genesee County Metropolitan Planning Commission