

GENESEE COUNTY TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Thursday, October 3, 2024 1:30 p.m.

MINUTES

The Genesee County Technical Advisory Committee met at 1:30 p.m. on Thursday, October 3, 2024, in the Harris Auditorium 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 1:32 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, Andrea Schroeder, Christine Durgan, Dylan Campbell, Ed Benning, Ellen Glass, James Slezak, Lynn Markland, Melinda Johnson, Michelle King, Olayinka Ajimoko, Paige DeHate, Reggie Smith, Rod McGaha and Wendy Jean-Buhrer.

Absent/Excused: Amber Abbey, Brian Saad, Brian Ulman, Chad Young, Chris Yeates, Christina Nicholaides, Clyde Edwards, Coetta Adams, Connie Greene, Corey Jarbeau, Dan Eashoo, David Dorr, Derek Bradshaw, Eric Johnston, Frederick Thorsby, Jay Reithel, Jolena Sanders-Sims, Joseph Madore, Joseph Rizk, Karyn Miller, Mary Ann Price, Max Gierman, Michael Pifer, Neil Rankin, Paul Fortino, Rachel Stanke, Randall Naumann, Richard Bayus, Robert Bincsik, Scott Bennett, Shawnice Dorsey, Sheri Wilkerson, Shirley Kautman-Jones, Spencer Lewis, Susan Weber, Thomas Spillane, Vadice Burgett, and Vince Lorraine.

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

III. MINUTES

***** A. Minutes of the September 5, 2024 Regular Meeting**

Motion: Action: Approve, **Moved by** Andrea Schroeder, **Supported by** Ellen Glass, to approve the minutes of the September 5, 2024 regular meeting as presented. **Motion carried unanimously.**

IV. OLD BUSINESS

A. FY 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Call for Projects Update

McKenna Dutkiewicz stated that the FY 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Call for Projects (CFP) closed on September 30, 2024. Approximately 160 applications were received requesting over \$129 million in federal funding. Through allocation, Genesee County is estimated to receive \$48 million in federal funding over the next four years. Although this is not enough to fund all the projects submitted, this

shows there is a great need for transportation projects throughout the county. Staff will be reviewing applications using the application score cards agreed upon by our technical and policy committees. Staff will be performing site checks for all applications to validate scoring and verify the need for each proposed project. Staff will be meeting with the Transportation Systems Management (TSM) subcommittee later this fall to discuss the proposed scoring and develop the draft TIP project list.

An inquiry was made regarding resolutions unable to be completed by 10/14. Jacob Maurer responded that staff is aiming for the week of October 14th and can not accept any past the month of October as they are taking the draft list of projects to committee the first week of November.

V. NEW BUSINESS

*****A. FY 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment #19 (attached)**

Ms. Dutkiewicz stated that staff has updated the layout of the TIP amendment sheet. The Grand Blanc FY 2026 project will be abandoned in order to be combined with their FY 2025 project. The funding for the abandoned 2026 project will be applied to the Grand Blanc's FY 2025 project. The limits and the length of the FY 2025 have also been updated to reflect both projects.

This amendment also features two intersection safety projects. The first is listed for N. Fenton Rd. and was awarded through the 2026 MDOT Safety Program Call for Projects to the Genesee County Road Commission. They received \$750,000 in federal funding to construct a roundabout at the intersection of Fenton and Baldwin Roads.

The second newly awarded safety project is located at N. Irish Rd. between Davison and Richfield Township. The Genesee County Road Commission was awarded \$225,000 to do signal improvements at the intersection of Irish and Potter Roads. The safety project was added to the FY 2026 Local and Safety GPA for more flexibility.

Motion: Action: Approve, **Moved by** Andrea Schroeder, **Supported by** Reggie Smith, to approve the FY 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment #19.
Motion carried unanimously.

B. FY 2024 PASER Reports, Dashboard & Interactive Map (presentation)

Kris Garris stated that earlier this year staff collected pavement condition data on all federal aid roads in Genesee County. We are currently working on updating how we display and provide this data to local communities, making it easier and more accessible for local units or residents. This can be found on our website at [Transportation Programs](#). You will be able to sort by commissioner district or municipality and will have data on the city and what roads are included. There is a distribution of the latest PASER ratings and there are still traditional PASER reports as was created and distributed to local units. There is an interactive dashboard which has a breakdown of roads within Genesee County as a whole and can be sorted by community providing a quick snapshot as to pavement conditions over the past few years and the most up to date report ratings.

Mr. Maurer asked the road agencies and communities to take a look and let us know any inaccuracies or questions in order for us to make any needed adjustments before the data is submitted to TAMC.

Mr. Garris stated to let him know if there are any other changes that may be beneficial. Local data was collected last year and is something we want to incorporate into this as well. This would incorporate subdivisions and local streets to make this easily accessible to residents and local units to get the full picture of how the pavement conditions are in communities across the county.

Commissioner Patsy noted that these roads are the federal system. Not every subdivision street or section line road is included.

Lynn Markland inquired if local streets will be included on this in the future. Mr. Garris replied that yes we hope to do that. Discussion ensued.

Mr. Markland requested staff to provide a 1-page overview on how road improvements are funded.

C. MTA Transit Asset Management Plan (TAMP) (attached)

Dru Hajec stated that the Mass Transportation Authority (MTA) has updated its Transit Asset Management Plan (TAMP). The plan was last reviewed by the TAC and Metro committees in October of 2018. The TAM Plan represents a long-term action strategy for the management of the assets of Flint MTA. It addresses MTA's current and recommended governance, business practices, processes and tools; asset condition and performance requirements; and lays out a blueprint on how MTA intends to achieve and maintain its assets in a state of good repair (SGR). The TAM Plan can be found on the GCMPC website.

D. Transportation Economic Development Fund (discussion)

Chairperson Patsy stated that legislation is in the works that would affect the future funding for every road agency in Genesee County.

Jacob Maurer stated that legislation was introduced last month that is proposing to change the Transportation Economic Development Fund distribution. Ultimately, this affects our surface transportation dollars (urban flex) and Category C Expansion funds. This is a \$10 million reduction to our TIP program. House Bill 5922 was passed in the last couple weeks. Senate Bill 1011 has been referred to the Committee on Transportation Infrastructure. This is 18% of our budget for surface transportation improvements for the next four years.

Chairperson Patsy provided an example of how this will affect our funding. Discussion ensued.

VI. OTHER BUSINESS

None.

VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chris Durgan announced an update on the housing initiative that the county is working on. At the October 2nd meeting with the County Board of Commissioners, it was voted to move forward with the housing initiative and will go before the full board on October 9th. This initiative provides more funding into the County for affordable housing. A combination of county, state and federal dollars will be used to leverage other funds and the hope is that this will turn into a \$100 million investment overall. Once approved, staff will begin visiting communities to discuss their needs and next steps.

Ed Benning stated that the Catholic Charities and Veterans Village will be going after some of this funding.

Mr. Markland asked what the definition of affordable housing is. Ms. Durgan replied that in this case affordable housing is low to middle income. Discussion ensued.

Ed Benning announced that MTA will be looking at potentially moving the transit center to the downtown area. They now have an interest in having housing adjacent to the transit center.

Mr. Benning also announced that they are carefully watching the SORE package that is in legislation. In that legislation, there is up to \$175 million available for roads, transit and other possibilities.

Mr. Maurer announced that the Transportation Safety Action Plan hired a consultant yesterday and we will be looking task force members. These meetings will coordinate around the TAC meeting. If you or someone from your agency would like to be on that task force to talk about safety around intersections and corridors in your community, we will be looking for support in a few weeks.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson Patsy adjourned the meeting at approximately 2:01 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Theresa LeFavour
Genesee County Metropolitan Planning Commission