

**GENESEE COUNTY METROPOLITAN ALLIANCE**  
**Regular Meeting Minutes**  
**Wednesday, November 15, 2023, 6:00 p.m.**

**MINUTES**

The Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance Committee met at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 15, 2023, in the Human Resources Training Room (G51) of the Genesee County Administration Building.

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Chairperson Johnson called the meeting to order 6:00 p.m.

**II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Chairperson Johnson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**III. ROLL CALL**

Members present and absent were noted as follows:

**UNIT REPRESENTED**

Genesee County

City of Burton

City of Clio

City of Davison

City of Fenton

City of Flint

City of Flushing

City of Grand Blanc

City of Linden

City of Montrose

City of Mt. Morris

City of Swartz Creek

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Duane Mosher

Mark Richard

John Gilbert  
Nate Henry

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Dr. Beverly Brown

Martin L. Cousineau

Greg Hull

Tom Martinbianco

Eric Wiederhold

Josh Westfall

Mayor Tim Bishop

Patricia Lockwood

Mayor Sheldon Neeley

Rodney McGaha

Mark Adas

Brooke Good

Chris Douglas

Susan Soderstrom

Don Becker

Pamela Howd

Danielle Cusson

Aaron Burch

Steven Sorenson

Mayor Sara Dubey

Charles Campbell

Argentine Township		Brian Saad Kyle Kurtz Shirley Kautman-Jones Paulette Johnson Katie Vick Shelley Thompson Tom Spillane Matthew Karr Travis Howell
Atlas Township		
Clayton Township		
Davison Township		
Fenton Township	Kade Katrak	
Flint Township		Andrew Marko Vince Lorraine Karyn Miller
Flushing Township	John Whiteside	
Forest Township		Tracey Tucker Bill Bain Frederick Thorsby Mary Ann Price Rocky Fowler Lee Purdy Diane Hyrman Tod Sorensen
Gaines Township		
Genesee Township		
Grand Blanc Township	Robin Ackerman	
Montrose Township		Joel Feick Loren Crandell Mark Emmendorfer Tom Tithof
Mt. Morris Township	Robert Johnson	
Mundy Township	Kimberly Jimenez	Brian Baxter Dewayn Allen
Richfield Township		Michael Simon Debra Ridley Leonard Marden Connie Chirich Eric Gunnels Nancy Belill Sherry Moore Angie Adamec Keith Walworth Vadice Burgett David Dorr Terry Gill
Thetford Township		
Vienna Township		
Goodrich Village		
Otisville Village		
Otter Lake Village		
Lennon Village		
Gaines Village		Connie Greene Melissa Neal Mark Sanborn Christina Nicholaiodes
Federal Highway Admin		

Gen Cty Drain Comm  
Gen Cty Road Comm  
GCMPC

Alex Patsy

Jeff Wright

Derek Bradshaw  
Christine Durgan  
Ed Benning

Mass Trans Authority

Shawnice Dorsey  
Jay Reithel

Mich Dept of Trans

Brian C. Ulman  
Trevor Vincke

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Jacob Maurer, McKenna Dutkiewicz, Paige Dettute, Joanie Towarnicky, Jeff Bagdade, and Renate Soto

**\*\*\*IV. MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 18, 2023 MEETING**

Nate Henry requested a correction to the minutes. Under Call to Order, the time will now state 6:00 p.m.

**Motion: Action:** Approve, **Moved by** John Gilbert, **Supported by** Mark Richard, to approve the minutes of the October 18, 2023 meeting as amended.

**Motion carried unanimously.**

**V. INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS**

NONE

**VI. PUBLIC COMMENT**

NONE

**VII. PUBLIC HEARING**

NONE

**VIII. FINANCES**

NONE

**IX. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

NONE

**X. OLD BUSINESS**

**A. FY 2025 List of Approved Safety Projects**

Ms. McKenna Dutkiewicz stated that MDOT released an approved list for Safety Projects for FY 2025. The Genesee County Road Commission was awarded \$880,200 for four (4) projects. Ms. Dutkiewicz reviewed the projects with the Committee.

## **XI. NEW BUSINESS**

### **A. 2024 State Safety Performance Measures**

Ms. Dutkiewicz stated that in October, MDOT released the statewide safety targets for calendar year 2024. The Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance has until February 27, 2024, to either adopt the statewide targets or set our own local targets. The five (5) performance targets were shown to the Committee via a slide presentation.

### **B. FY 2024-2026 Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) Allocation Adjustments**

Ms. Dutkiewicz stated Genesee County will see a reduction in TAP funding of approximately \$590,000 over the next three (3) fiscal years. This is a direct result of shifts in urban population from 2010 to 2020 based on the 2020 adjusted Census Urban Boundary changes. Staff is working with local road agencies to adjust projects and to ensure that the new financial constraints are met. Discussion ensued.

### **\*\*\*C. FY 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment #12**

Ms. McKenna Dutkiewicz stated this Amendment changes one 2026 road commission project, abandons one road commission project which will be moved to FY 2027 due to the new Transportation Alternative Program estimates, and adds two transit projects to the FY 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program.

At this time, the Technical Advisory Committee is recommending the approval of Amendment #12 to the FY 2023-2026 TIP from the Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance.

**Motion: Action:** Approve. **Moved by** Mark Richard, **Supported by** John Whiteside, to approve Amendment #12 to the FY 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program as presented.

**Motion carried unanimously.**

Discussion ensued.

### **D. US-23 Corridor Traffic Study Update**

Mr. Jacob Maurer stated that we have an approved contract with Rowe Professional Engineering Services for the US-23 Corridor Traffic Study. Staff is working with and has sent the executed contract to MDOT. The goal is to have some meetings with the Steering Committee next month, as well as some virtual and in-person public outreach meetings with communities over the next several months. There is an estimated completion date of September 2024, but there will be more information forthcoming as the process evolves with Rowe. Discussion ensued.

### **\*\*\*E. 2024 Meeting Dates**

Mr. Jacob Maurer reviewed the proposed 2024 meeting dates.

**Motion: Action:** Approve. **Moved by** Mark Richard, **Supported by** Nate Henry, to approve the 2024 meeting dates as presented.

### **F. I-75 Corridor Study – Atkins**

Mr. Jeff Bagdade with Atkins Realis, the consultant company that is working with MDOT to prepare the I-75 Pilot Corridor Plan, presented an overview of the Plan. He went over the Project Overview including Project Goals, the Study Area, Approach Tasks and Stakeholder Engagement; the Corridor Plan Scope including Travel Demand Modeling, Travel Time Reliability, Complete Streets, Safety, Equity, Environmental Scan, Goals and

Objectives, Needs Analysis Process, and Solutions and Strategies; and reviewed the key dates and next steps of the Study. Discussion ensued.

**G. I-475 Reconstruction Update – MDOT**

Mr. Jay Reithel from MDOT introduced himself and provided an update on the I-475 Planning and Environmental Linkages (PEL) Study. Mr. Reithel gave an Overview of the PEL Study including the Rebuilding Process, the limits, purpose and needs of the Study, Preliminary Design Alternatives, Cost Considerations and Grant Application process, and a summary of the North Segment Project. Mr. Reithel reviewed the PEL Study project schedule and key dates for the North, Middle and South Projects and provided contact information if any Committee members have questions about the PEL or would like more information. Discussion ensued.

**XII. OTHER BUSINESS**

NONE

**XIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

NONE

**XIV. ADJOURNMENT**

Chairperson Johnson adjourned the meeting at 7:05 p.m.

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