

GENESEE COUNTY METROPOLITAN ALLIANCE
Regular Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, December 20, 2023, 6:00 p.m.

MINUTES

The Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance Committee met at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, December 20, 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

Dr. Beverly Brown

Duane Mosher

Chris Douglas

Don Becker

Mark Richard

John Gilbert
Nate Henry

MEMBERS ABSENT

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

Susan Soderstrom

Pamela Howd

Danielle Cusson

Aaron Burch

Steven Sorenson

Mayor Sara Dubey

Charles Campbell

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

Gen Cty Drain Comm
Gen Cty Road Comm
GCMPC

Alex Patsy
Derek Bradshaw

Jeff Wright

Mass Trans Authority

Christine Durgan
Ed Benning

Mich Dept of Trans

Shawnice Dorsey
Jay Reithel

Brian C. Ulman
Trevor Vincke

OTHERS PRESENT: Jacob Maurer, McKenna Dutkiewicz, Kris Garris, Joanie Towarnicky and Renate Soto

*****IV. MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 15, 2023 MEETING**

Motion: Action: Approve, **Moved by** Mark Richard, **Supported by** Nate Henry, to approve the minutes of the November 15, 2023 meeting as presented.

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. Updated FY 2024-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Allocation Estimates

Ms. McKenna Dutkiewicz stated the final FY 2024 allocation estimates for Genesee County were released by MDOT in late November. Genesee County will see an additional increase in Category C funding and Rural funding and an additional decrease in Urban and Carbon Reduction funding. Projects that have already been obligated in FY 2024 cannot be adjusted. Staff is working with local transit and road agencies that have unobligated FY 2024 projects to adjust project budgets to maintain fiscal constraint.

Over the next couple months, staff will begin reviewing FY 2025 and FY 2026 projects as well to adjust budgets to the available allocation estimates.

XI. NEW BUSINESS

*****A. Adjusted Census Urban Boundary Agreement – GCMA, SEMCOG, and MDOT**

Mr. Kris Garris stated as part of Title 23, the Adjusted Census Boundary (ACUB) must be fixed by responsible state and local officials in cooperation. This entails a memorandum of agreement between GCMA, SEMCOG and MDOT. This is an update to the existing agreement already in place and will include the Urban Area changes that were previously determined: the additions of the Fenton Urbanized area and the Goodrich Urbanized area. At this time, the Technical Advisory Committee is requesting the endorsement of the Memorandum of Agreement by the Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance and to sign the Memorandum of Agreement for the Adjusted Census Boundary Planning Activities for the Flint and Fenton Urbanized Areas.

Motion: Action: Approve. **Moved by** John Whiteside, **Supported by** Mark Richard, to endorse and sign the Memorandum of Agreement for the Adjusted Census Urban Boundary Planning Activities for the Flint and Fenton Urbanized Areas.

Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion ensued.

*****B. FY 2023-2026 Transportation Alternatives Program (TIP) Amendment #13**

Ms. McKenna Dutkiewicz reviewed the proposed projects included in the TIP Amendment #13, including two (2) project changes, one (1) road commission project abandonment, and one (1) GPA project change to the FY 2023-2026 TIP. At this time, the Technical Advisory Committee is recommending the approval of Amendment #13 to the FY 2023-2026 TIP by the Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance.

Motion: Action: Approve. **Moved by** Duane Mosher, **Supported by** Shelley Thompson, to approve Amendment #13 to the FY 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program as presented.

Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion ensued.

C. MDOT Small Urban Program Update

Ms. Dutkiewicz stated that based on 2020 Adjusted Census Urban Boundaries, the Fenton Urbanized Area has now been included into MDOT's Small Urban Program. The Fenton Urbanized Area is estimated to receive \$380,000 in federal funding every two years. Staff will be contacting the appropriate local road and transit agencies to set up meetings to discuss the Small Urban Program and schedule a call for projects. The Goodrich/Ortonville Urbanized Area will be removed from the Small Urban Program. MDOT indicated that projects selected by the Goodrich/Ortonville areas will still receive funding as originally promised. Discussion ensued.

XII. OTHER BUSINESS

NONE

XIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Maurer announced that Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance received the Citizen Award from the City of Montrose. Last month, staff was honored to attend a City Council meeting to receive the award and a handwritten note, in thanks for receiving approximately \$500,000 in federal funds to repair a main community road in the City of Montrose that was in a poor state of repair.

A. Special Holiday Presentation

Staff gave a special holiday presentation.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson Johnson adjourned the meeting at 6:38 pm.

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