

GENESEE COUNTY TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Thursday, December 7, 2023 1:30 p.m.

MINUTES

The Genesee County Technical Advisory Committee met at 1:30 p.m. on Thursday, December 7, 2023 in the Harris Auditorium of the Genesee County Administration Building, 1101 Beach Street, Flint, Michigan, 48502.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Lynn Markland called the meeting to order at approximately 1:30 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

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

Present: Alex Patsy, Amber Abbey, Andrea Schroeder, Derek Bradshaw, Ed Benning, Ellen Glass, Lynn Markland, Mark Adas, Max Gierman, Michelle King, and Shawnice Dorsey

Absent/Excused: Adam Zettel, Brian Saad, Brian Ulman, Chad Young, Chris Gehringer, Chris Yeates, Christina Nicholaides, Craig Williams, Curtis Armstrong, Dan Eashoo, Dave Miller, David Dorr, Don Mayle, Emily Alexander, Eric Johnston, Eric Weiderhold, Frederick Thorsby, James Slezak, Jay Reithel, Jolena Sanders-Sims, Joseph Madore, Joseph Rizk, Karyn Miller, Mary Ann Price, Michael Pifer, Neil Rankin, Paul Fortino, Rachel Stanke, Robert Bincsik, Rod McGaha, Scott Bennett, Sheri Wilkerson, Shirley Kautman-Jones, Thomas Spillane, Tonya Ketzler, Vadice Burgett, Vicki Fishell, Vince Lorraine, and Wendy Jean-Buhrer.

Others Present: Jacob Maurer, McKenna Dutkiewicz, Kris Garris, Melinda Johnson, Corey Jarbeau, Paige DeHate and Renate Soto.

III. MINUTES

*****A. Minutes of the November 2, 2023 Regular Meeting**

Motion: Action: Approve, **Moved by** Andrea Schroeder, **Supported by** Amber Abbey, to approve the minutes of the November 2, 2023 regular meeting as presented.

Motion carried unanimously.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

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

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. Discussion ensued.

V. NEW BUSINESS

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

Mr. 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, staff is requesting that the Technical Advisory Committee endorse the Memorandum of Agreement to 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** Ed Benning, **Supported by** Ellen Glass, to endorse the Memorandum of Agreement to the Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance and to 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 Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment #13**

Ms. McKenna Dutkiewicz reviewed all the changes included in the TIP Amendment #13, including 2 project changes, 1 project abandonment, 1 project added, and 1 GPA project change to the FY 2023-2026 TIP. At this time, staff is recommending the approval of Amendment #13 to the FY 2023-2026 TIP from the Technical Advisory Committee to the Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance.

Motion: Action: Approve. **Moved by** Andrea Schroeder, **Supported by** Amber Abbey, to approve Amendment #13 to the FY 2023-2026 TIP as presented.

Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion ensued.

C. MDOT Small Urban Program Update

Ms. McKenna 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 a meeting 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.

VI. OTHER BUSINESS

None

VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance – Citizen Award

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.

Chairperson Markland announced that Mr. Mark Adas, is retiring from the City of Flint and wished him congratulations. A reception will be held in his honor; details will be emailed out to Committee members.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson Markland adjourned the meeting at approximately 1:48 pm.

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