

GENESEE COUNTY METROPOLITAN ALLIANCE
Regular Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, February 23, 2022, 7:00 p.m.

MINUTES

The Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance Committee met at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 23, 2022, in an in-person meeting in the Harris Auditorium.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Johnson called the meeting to order 7:00 p.m.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairperson Johnson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. ROLL CALL

Members present and absent were noted as follows:

<u>UNIT REPRESENTED</u>	<u>MEMBERS PRESENT</u>	<u>MEMBERS ABSENT</u>
Genesee County	Commissioner Meredith Davis	Commissioner Debra Newman
City of Burton		Greg Hull
City of Clio	Duane Mosher	Tom Martinbianco
City of Davison		Eric Wiederhold
City of Fenton		Mayor Tim Bishop
	Skip Bancroft	Patricia Lockwood
City of Flint		Sean Sage
		Mayor Sheldon Neeley
City of Flushing		John Daly
City of Grand Blanc	Chris Douglas	Mark Adas
		Brooke Good
City of Linden	Ray Culbert	Susan Soderstrom
	Danielle Cusson	Don Becker
City of Montrose	Mark Richard	
City of Mt. Morris		Dennis Heidenfeldt
City of Swartz Creek	John Gilbert	
	Nate Henry	Robert Plumb
Argentine Township		Brian Saad

Atlas Township	Paulette Johnson	Leslie Renckly Rebecca Nemecheck Shirley Kautman-Jones
Clayton Township	Shelley Thompson	Katie Vick
Davison Township		Tom Spillane Matthew Karr Travis Howell Patrick Miller
Fenton Township	Kade Katrak	Andrew Marko Robert Kesler Karyn Miller
Flint Township	John Whiteside	Tracey Tucker
Flushing Township		Bill Bain Frederick Thorsby Mary Ann Price Rocky Fowler Lee Purdy Diane Hyrman
Forest Township Gaines Township		
Genesee Township	Tod Sorensen Robin Ackerman	
Grand Blanc Township	Loren Crandell	Joel Feick
Montrose Township Mt. Morris Township	Robert Johnson	Tom Tithof Mark Emmendorfer
Mundy Township	Kimberly Jimenez	Michele Loper Dewayn Allen
Richfield Township Theftford Township Vienna Township Goodrich Village	Gerald Masters	Shane Towne Debra Ridley
Richfield Township Theftford Township Vienna Township Goodrich Village		Rachel Stanke Cathrine Thompson Sherry Moore Angie Adamec Melissa Schluentz
Otisville Village Otter Lake Village Lennon Village Gaines Village		Joan Skias
Federal Highway Admin		Samuel Stiff Bruce Ferris Valerie Delauty Andy Pickard

Gen Cty Drain Comm
Gen Cty Road Comm
GCMPC

Alex Patsy
Derek Bradshaw

Jeff Wright

Mass Trans Authority

Shawnice Dorsey

Christine Durgan
Ed Benning

Mich Dept of Trans

Anita Boughner
Jay Reithel
Steven Katenhus
Trevor Block

OTHERS PRESENT: Jason Nordberg and Alicia Williams.

IV. MINUTES OF THE January 26, 2022 MEETING

Motion: Action: Approve, **Moved by** Gerald Masters, **Supported by** Ray Culbert, to approve the minutes of the January 26, 2021 meeting as presented.

Motion carried unanimously.

V. INTRODUCTION OF GUEST

NONE

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT

NONE

VII. PUBLIC HEARING

NONE

VIII. FINANCES

NONE

IX. COMMITTEE REPORTS

NONE

X. OLD BUSINESS

*****A. FY 2022 Updated Allocations**

Ms. Williams indicated that Genesee County received an additional \$1.9 million in federal STP funding for FY 2022, and that this funding will need to be obligated in this fiscal year. Projects that utilize this funding must be designed and make it through the MDOT review process quickly. Ms. Williams said that following the TIP rules, staff looked at FY 2023 projects that meet these requirements. Typically, simple road projects and Advanced Construct Conversion (ACC) projects meet these requirements. Genesee County also received an additional \$444,581 in Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) funding. Ms. Williams reviewed the project changes that are being proposed to use this funding.

Motion: Action: Approve, **Moved by** John Whiteside, **Supported by** Paulette Johnson, to move the identified projects from FY 2023 to FY 2022 through an administrative modification as presented. Discussion ensued.

Motion carried unanimously.

XI. NEW BUSINESS

*****A. FY 2020 – 2023 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment #20**

Ms. Williams provided an overview of Amendment # 20. She said a Genesee County Road Commission roundabout at Lapeer and Oak Roads is being added to FY 2023, using funding from the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA). Also, the FY 2022 Local Livability and Sustainability General Program Account is increasing because of adding funding for the MichiVan program in Genesee County. Discussion ensued.

Motion: Action: Approve. **Moved by** Gerald Masters, **Supported by** Paulette Johnson, to approve Amendment # 20 to the FY 2020-2023 Transportation Improvement Program as presented.

Motion carried unanimously.

B. FY 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Prioritized List of Projects

Ms. Williams provided an overview of the listing of projects received during the FY 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Call for Projects. She said staff has field-checked the projects, scored the applications, and several meetings of the Transportation System Management (TSM) Subcommittee have been held to discuss, prioritize, and recommend projects for funding. Ms. Williams indicated that TSM has recommended funding for projects identified in green in the listing of projects. The projects have been grouped into Preservation, PASER 5, Reconstruction, Rural, Expansion, Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ), and Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) to match funding criteria and have been prioritized based on the application scores. MDOT projects and MTA projects have also been included. Ms. Williams indicated that TSM also recommended a prioritized listing of unfunded projects to be used if additional funding becomes available prior to the next TIP Call for Projects. Mr. Nordberg provided details and background information on this process. Discussion ensued.

Motion: Action: Approve. **Moved by** Paulette Johnson, **Supported by** Gerald Masters, to approve the projects proposed for funding, allowing staff to begin public comment and further analysis including year assignment.

Neigh by Mark Richard.

Motion carried.

C. FY 2024 MDOT Call for Safety Projects

Ms. Williams indicated that MDOT has released a call for Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) projects, Highway Safety Improvement Program Streamlined Systemic Safety Projects, and High-Risk Rural Road (HRRR) projects to all local road agencies for FY 2024. Ms. Williams said a letter detailing the qualifications for these funds and the criteria by which applications will be judged was enclosed with the agenda packet. She let the committee know that to have time to review and endorse the

applications, local road agencies are asked to e-mail a copy of their application(s) to her by Monday, March 21, 2021 at awilliams1@geneseecountymi.gov. Applications will be ranked using the MDOT Time-of-Return Analysis. Project applications must be received by MDOT no later than Monday, May 2, 2022 and it is the local agency's responsibility to submit applications to MDOT by this date. Ms. Williams said that questions should be directed to Pamela Blazo, Local Agency Programs Safety Engineer, at 517-335-2224 or at BlazoP@Michigan.gov. Discussion ensued.

XII. OTHER BUSINESS

A. Appointment of the Nominating Committee to Prepare a Slate of Officers for Elections in March

Volunteers for the nominating committee were appointed (John Whiteside and John Gilbert) and will meet prior to the March Metropolitan Alliance meeting. There are currently three positions open for re-election. Anyone seeking an open position should contact Alicia Williams at awilliams1@geneseecountymi.gov.

XIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Patsy mentioned that there are a lot of Genesee County Road Commission projects going through committees and planned for FY 2022/2023. Discussion ensued.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson Johnson adjourned the meeting at 7:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Alicia Williams, Planner
Genesee County Metropolitan Planning Commission