

GENESEE COUNTY TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Thursday, April 6, 2023 1:30 p.m.

MINUTES

The Genesee County Technical Advisory Committee met at 1:30 p.m. on Thursday, April 6, 2023 in the Harris Auditorium of the Genesee County Administration Building, 1101 Beach Street, Flint, Michigan, 48502.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Ed Benning called the meeting to order at approximately 1:30 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

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

Present: Amber Abbey, Andrea Schroeder, Chris Gehringer, Derek Bradshaw, Ed Benning, Eric Johnston, Lynn Markland, Mark Adas, Max Gierman, Michael Pifer, Michelle King, Rod McGaha and Shawnice Dorsey

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

Others Present: Jason Nordberg, Jacob Maurer, Kris Garris, McKenna Dutkiewicz and Renate Soto.

III. MINUTES

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

Motion: Action: Approve, **Moved by** Andrea Schroeder, **Supported by** Eric Johnston, to approve the minutes of the March 2, 2023 regular meeting as presented.

Motion carried unanimously.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

NONE

V. NEW BUSINESS

*****A. FY 2023 Unified Work Program Amendment #1**

Mr. Kris Garris stated the FY 2023 Unified Work Program (UWP) Amendment #1 is proposing to increase Transit Planning Funds by \$240,000 in federal funding and \$60,000 in local MTA

matching funding for a total increase of \$300,000. This funding will be used for a Regional Transit Authority Study. Mr. Garris briefly went over the items in the UWP that were either added or adjusted. At this time, staff is requesting that the Technical Advisory Committee provide a recommendation of approval for Amendment #1 to the FY 2023 UWP to the Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance.

Motion: Action: Approve. **Moved by** Eric Johnston, **Supported by** Andrea Schroeder, to approve Amendment #1 to the FY 2023 United Work Program as presented.

Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion ensued.

*****B. 2023 FY 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment #7**

Ms. McKenna Dutkiewicz stated Amendment #7 changes three projects, deletes one project and adds seven projects in the FY 2023-2026 TIP. At this time, staff is recommending the endorsement of Amendment #7 to the FY 2023-2026 TIP from the Technical Advisory Committee to the Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance.

Motion: Action: Approve. **Moved by** Chris Gehringer, **Supported by** Eric Johnston, to approve Amendment #7 to the FY 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program as presented.

Motion carried unanimously.

*****C. FY 2025 Safety Call for Projects**

Mr. Garris stated MDOT has released a call for Highway Improvement Safety Program (HSIP) projects, Highway Safety Improvement Streamlined Systemic Safety projects, and High-Risk Rural (HRRR) projects to all local road agencies for the 2025 fiscal year. MDOT is requesting that project applications be submitted to their office by Monday, May 1st, 2023. In order to have time to review and endorse the applications, staff is asking that applications be submitted to our office no later than Monday, April 24th, 2023. Mr. Garris stated that projects will be ranked using Time-of-Return Analysis, a prioritized list will be sent to MDOT and a resolution endorsing these projects will be sent to MDOT in May. At this time, staff is requesting that the Technical Advisory Committee recommend to the Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance that the FY 2025 Call for Safety Projects be reviewed and prioritized by staff.

Motion: Action: Approve. **Moved by** Eric Johnston, **Supported by** Andrea Schroeder, to recommend to the Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance that the FY 2025 Call for Safety Projects be reviewed and prioritized by staff.

Motion carried unanimously.

D. Pavement, Bridge, System Reliability, & CMAQ Performance Targets

Ms. Dutkiewicz stated that MDOT has established statewide performance targets. The Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance has until June 14th, 2023 to either adopt the statewide policies or set our own local targets. MDOT has provided supplementary factsheets to assist MPOs in making decisions on targets including a description of the measures, recent trends, and the methodology used to establish these targets. Between now and May, staff will be gathering localized data to help make an informed decision. Discussion ensued.

E. FY 2024 Unified Work Program

Mr. Garris stated that the primary activities for the FY 2024 UWP will focus on the development of the 2050 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP), implementation of the

FY 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP), development of a Safety Action Plan, and continuation of the US-23 Corridor Study. In addition, other activities will include performance measure monitoring, transportation related data collection, non-motorized planning and safety data analysis. Staff is currently developing the FY 2024 work program, and this is an opportunity for the committee to provide suggestions for work activities for the upcoming fiscal year. Mr. Garris asked the committee to provide that feedback by April 13, 2023. Discussion ensued.

VI. OTHER BUSINESS

NONE

VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Eric Johnston, stated that the Genesee County Road Commission (GCRC) now has 3 new Commissioners on the Board, including Commissioners Joe Massey, Reggie Smith, and Chris Gehringer. Mr. Johnston introduced Commissioner Chris Gehringer, who has been appointed to the TAC Committee by the GCRC.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson Benning adjourned the meeting at approximately 1:47 p.m.

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