

GENESEE COUNTY METROPOLITAN ALLIANCE
Regular Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, June 15, 2022, 7:00 p.m.

MINUTES

The Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance Committee met at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 15, 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:

UNIT REPRESENTED

MEMBERS PRESENT

MEMBERS ABSENT

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	Patricia Lockwood	Mayor Tim Bishop
City of Flint		Skip Bancroft
City of Flushing	Brooke Good	Sean Sage
City of Grand Blanc		Mayor Sheldon Neeley
City of Linden		John Daly
City of Montrose	Mark Richard	Mark Adas
City of Mt. Morris		Chris Douglas
City of Swartz Creek		Susan Soderstrom
	Nate Henry	Don Becker
		Ray Culbert
		Danielle Cusson
		Dennis Heidenfeldt
		John Gilbert
		Robert Plumb

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

Federal Highway Admin		Valerie Delauty Andy Pickard
Gen Cty Drain Comm		Jeff Wright
Gen Cty Road Comm	Alex Patsy	
GCMPC	Derek Bradshaw	
Mass Trans Authority		Christine Durgan Ed Benning
	Shawnice Dorsey	
Mich Dept of Trans		Anita Boughner Jay Reithel Steven Katenhus Trevor Block

OTHERS PRESENT: Jason Nordberg, Alicia Williams and Renate Soto.

IV. MINUTES OF THE MAY 18, 2022 MEETING

Motion: Action: Approve, **Moved by** John Whiteside, **Supported by** Nate Henry, to approve the minutes of the May 18, 2022 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 2023-2026 Metropolitan Planning Process Self-Certification**

Ms. Williams stated that the Technical Advisory Committee is seeking approval from the Metropolitan Alliance to self-certify the Metropolitan Planning Process in Genesee County which takes place in conjunction with the submittal of a new TIP. By self-certifying,

the Metropolitan Alliance will acknowledge that the major transportation issues in the metropolitan planning area are being addressed and the planning process is being conducted in accordance with all applicable federal requirements.

Motion: Action: Approve. **Moved by** Mark Richard, **Supported by** John Whiteside, to approve the FY 2023-2026 Metropolitan Transportation Planning Process Self-Certification and for the Metro Chairperson to sign the Self-Certification.

Motion carried unanimously.

*****B. Approval of the Air Quality Conformity Analysis for the Flint MI Conformity Area (Genesee and Lapeer Counties)**

Ms. Williams indicated that in May, staff presented a draft version of the Air Quality Conformity Analysis for the Flint MI Conformity Area, as part of the FY 2023-2026 TIP. The draft Air Quality Conformity Analysis makes the determination that our FY 2023-2026 TIP and its projects satisfy all requirements in the Air Quality Conformity regulations. The required 30-day public comment period began on Sunday, May 8, 2022, and ran through Tuesday, June 7, 2022. A public hearing was held on June 1st at 4:00 p.m. where no comments were received. No comments were received during the public comment period. The signed resolution will be placed in the TIP document before it is submitted to MDOT.

Motion: Action: Approve. **Moved by** Mark Richard, **Supported by** Duane Mosher, recommend approval from the Metropolitan Alliance for the Air Quality Conformity Analysis for the Flint MI conformity Area and for the Metro Chairperson to sign the Air Quality Resolution.

Motion carried unanimously.

*****C. FY 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Approval**

Ms. Williams stated that in May, staff presented a draft version of the FY 2023-2026 TIP document. The required 30-day public comment period began on Sunday, May 8, 2022, and ran through Tuesday, June 7, 2022. A public hearing was held on June 1st at 4:00 p.m. where no comments were received on the draft document. The FY 2023-2026 TIP document is fiscally constrained. It contains a listing of projects that have been through Air Quality Conformity Analysis, Environmental Justice Analysis, and Environmental Consultation, and they are eligible for the identified funding. Staff received comments on the proposed FY 2023-2026 TIP projects, and those comments have been incorporated into the document. The signed resolution will be placed in the TIP document before it is submitted to MDOT.

Motion: Action: Approve. **Moved by** Mark Richard, **Supported by** Kimberly Jimenez, recommendation of approval from the Metropolitan Alliance for the FY 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program.

Motion carried unanimously.

XI. NEW BUSINESS

*****A. FY 2020-2023 Transportation Improvement Program (TI) Amendment #24**

Ms. Williams provided an overview of Amendment # 24. She indicated that one project would be abandoned, 15 projects added, and six projects that have changes. First was the 2022 MTA project that is being abandoned. This was an FY22 CMAQ Bus Purchase and is being abandoned per the request from the MTA. Below is a list of 10 projects being

added to match the FY23 year for the FY20-23 TIP and FY23-26 TIP. These projects have already been approved by the committee. There were 4 projects with changes. The first three projects listed to change are MDOT, MTA, and City of Davison projects. All these projects had an increase in budget. The fourth project being changed is the Genesee County Road Commission project which is being split between 2023 and 2024. The length and cost have been split to accommodate the updated project years.

Lastly, there were GPAs that are being amended. GPAs are projects that have similar work-type activities that can be grouped together in a GPA based on that work-type activity. GPAs are used to streamline the TIP process and minimize the need to amend the TIP. This means that individual projects can be changed without an amendment until a 25% cost change has occurred then the entire GPA has to be amended.

Looking at the GPAs we are amending today, first is the FY23 Transit Capital GPA which is increasing federal to \$4,714,960 and state increasing to \$1,178,741 for a total GPA amount of \$5,893,701.

Then was the FY23 Transit Operating GPA that is increasing federal to \$674,068 and local increasing to \$374,068 for a total GPA amount of \$1,348,136. These GPAs are being amended to match FY23 for the FY20-23 TIP and FY23-26 TIP.

Motion: Action: Approve. **Moved by** Nate Henry, **Supported by** John Whiteside, to approve Amendment # 24 to the FY 2020-2023 Transportation Improvement Program as presented.

Motion carried unanimously. Discussion ensued.

XII. OTHER BUSINESS

XIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. July and August Meetings

Alicia Williams announced that we are planning on cancelling the July and August Metro meetings. Staff will let the committee know if the meeting will be cancelled or held as scheduled around 1 (one) week prior to the scheduled date of the meeting.

Alex Patsy spoke about a dam being opened up.

B. MDOT I-475 PEL Study

Alicia Williams announced that the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) will be holding a meeting regarding the I-475 Planning and Environmental Linkages (PEL) Study. The meeting will be held at the Flint Public Library on June 28, 2022 at 5:30 p.m. with a presentation being given at 6:15 p.m.

C. Updates on Recycle Events

Alicia Williams announced the dates of our upcoming Recycle Day Events and gave details about the ongoing Free Residential Latex Paint Recycling Program at Habitat for Humanity.

Derek Bradshaw announced the results from our most recent Recycle Day event that was held on May 14, 2022. Mr. Bradshaw also gave more details on the Latex Paint Recycling Program at Habitat for Humanity. He explained that Genesee County residents can drop off used paint at Habitat for Humanity, which will then be processed into new paint to be sold at the Habitat for Humanity ReStore.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson Johnson adjourned the meeting at 7:19 p.m.

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