

**TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
MINUTES
June 6, 2019**

The Technical Advisory Committee met at 1:30 p.m. on Thursday, June 6, 2019, in the Conference Room of the Genesee County Metropolitan Planning Commission (GCMPC), 1101 Beach Street, Room 223, Flint, Michigan.

I. Call to Order 

Vice-Chairperson Johnston called the meeting to order at 1:31 p.m.

II. Roll Call

Present: Alex Patsy, Andrea Schroeder, Bob Slattery, Brad Barrett, Chris Gehringer, Derek Bradshaw, Eric Johnston, Jay Reithel, Larry Green, Lynn Markland, Mark Adas, Michael Pifer, Robert Johnson, Shawnice Dorsey, and Tim Elkins.

Absent/Excused: Aaron Dawson, Adam Zettel, Betty Wideman, Bonnie Mathis, Brian Saad, Chad Young, Chris Yeates, Craig Williams, Curtis Armstrong, Dave Miller, David Dorr, Don Mayle, Ed Benning, Emily Alexander, Eric Weiderhold, Fred Peivandi, Frederick Thorsby, Gary Stevens, Joseph Madore, Joseph Rizk, Karyn Miller, Mark Emmendorfer, Mary Ann Price, Neil Rankin, Paul Fortino, Sam Stiff, Scott Bennett, Scott Sutter, Sheri Wilkerson, Steven Furh, Steven Katenhus, Teresa Onica, Tom Svrcek, Trevor Block, Vicki Fishell, and Wendy Jean-Buhrer.

Others Present: Lane Masoud, Michelle Weber-Currie, Jason Nordberg, Sharon Gregory, Zachary Sompels, and Debby Compton.

Chairperson Markland arrived.

III. Minutes

***A. Minutes of the May 2, 2019 Regular Meeting

Motion: Action: Approved, **moved by** Robert Johnson, **supported by** Andrea Schroeder, to approve the minutes of the May 2, 2019 regular meeting as presented.

Motion carried unanimously.

IV. Old Business 



None

V. New Business 


- ***A. FY 2017-2020 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment #19
Sharon Gregory stated that amendment #19 is more clean-up with the JobNet database. MDOT has one project where the cost has changed. This amendment meets the financial constraints of the TIP and will have no disproportionately high or adverse impacts to any of the identified Environmental Justice (EJ) populations in Genesee County. Staff has reviewed these projects and has determined that they are exempt from Air Quality analysis. The projects have been sent to the Interagency Work Group to review and provide concurrence with staff's determination that these projects are exempt from Air Quality analysis. At this time staff is recommending approval of Amendment #19 to the FY 2017-2020 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to the Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance. Discussion ensued.

Motion: Action: Approved, **moved by** Bob Slattery, **supported by** Andrea Schroeder, to recommend approval of FY 2017-2020 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment #19 to the Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance.

Motion carried unanimously.

- B. MDOT Call for Highway Safety Improvement Safety Program (HSIP) projects, Highway Safety Improvement Program Streamlined Systemic Safety Program Projects, and Call for High Risk Rural Road (HRRR) projects 
Zachary Sompels stated that the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) has released multiple calls for projects for fiscal year 2021. MDOT is requesting project applications be submitted to them by Monday August 5, 2019. GCMPC staff is requesting project applications be submitted to Mr. Sompels by Monday, July 29, 2019 to have time to review and endorse submitted projects. Discussion ensued.
- C. Draft FY 2020-2023 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Document and Air Quality Conformity Analysis 
Sharon Gregory stated that the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Document and Air Quality Conformity Analysis is now in the 30-day comment period until July 2nd. At the end of the comment period on July 2nd there will be a public hearing. Staff asks that you please go through the TIP document and Air Quality Conformity Analysis and provide any comments during the month of June.

Jason Nordberg stated that staff will be looking for approval at the July TAC meeting.

- ***D. Congestion Management Process (CMP) for Genesee County 
Jason Nordberg advised that staff has been working with MDOT on the Congestion Management Process (CMP) going through the CMP that identifies any capacity or any congestion related deficiencies on the targeted transportation network. The process is in place to explain what congestion is,

identify it and have a process to address any issues that may come about. Mr. Nordberg discussed the 2014 and 2045 CMP deficiency maps as well as the CMP checklist and toolbox.

At this time the Transportation System Management (TSM) recommends the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) recommend approval of the Congestion Management Process (CMP) for Genesee County to the Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance. Discussion ensued.

Motion: Action: Approve, **moved by** Larry Green, **supported by** Chris Gehringer, to recommend approval of the Congestion Management Process for Genesee County to the Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance.

Motion carried unanimously.

***E. 2045 Long Range Transportation Plan Project Application 

Sharon Gregory stated that this application is for the Long Range Transportation Plan Call for Projects. It is pretty much the same application as the last time GCMPC did the Long Range Transportation Plan. Staff updated a little bit of it by adding some safety and reliability information and made sure the application references performance measures. At this time staff is recommending approval to the Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance for the 2045 Long Range Transportation Plan Project Application.

Motion: Action: Approve, **moved by** Robert Johnson, **supported by** Andrea Schroeder, to recommend approval of the 2045 Long Range Transportation Plan Project Application to the Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance.

Motion carried unanimously.

Jason Nordberg advised that Transportation is doing a combined plan with Community Development. However, due to federal regulations staff is clarifying what type of project it is. That is why we are having a separate transportation call for projects.

- F. Genesee County Road Commission Projects Update 
Alex Patsy, Programming and Development Engineer from the Genesee County Road Commission, presented a PowerPoint presentation on the 2019 Construction Projects & 2020 Construction Preview. Discussion ensued.

VI. Other Business 

- A. National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)
Sharon Gregory stated that this is the NEPA paperwork you have been hearing about the past year. Staff will be reminding everyone each month to be prepared to start early on your fiscal year 2020 projects. This is the environmental paperwork that you have always done but the form has increased to eighteen pages so the process with MDOT may take up to 6 months to complete. It has been said that for a simple paving project it may take up to two months to get through the environmental paperwork. Staff will be going out to meet with

everyone as they always do at the beginning of the fiscal year. Discussion ensued.

Jason Nordberg stated that recently it was brought to the attention of staff that obligation authority for projects is about to run out.

VII. Announcements 

- A. Derek Bradshaw announced that everyone should have received a Save the Date for the Improving Michigan Infrastructure Spring Summit happening on June 20, 2019. If you are unable to attend, please make sure to have someone else there to represent your community. Discussion ensued.

Jason Nordberg announced that the Metropolitan Alliance Chairperson, Robert Johnson received a notice stating the GCMPC Federal Review that we had back in March regarding the Transportation Planning Process in Genesee County is certified.

Eric Johnston inquired about permitting. If there are any questions contact Corey Jarbeau, the Genesee County Road Commission Permits Specialist. Discussion ensued.

VIII. Adjournment

Chairperson Markland adjourned the meeting at 2:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Debby Compton, Secretary
Genesee County Metropolitan Planning Commission