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**Genesee County Metropolitan Planning Commission  
Metropolitan Alliance Committee (METRO)**

**Genesee County Administration Building  
Harris Auditorium  
1101 Beach Street, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor  
Flint, Michigan 48502**

**Wednesday, July 17, 2019  
7:00 P.M.**

**AGENDA**

- I. Call to Order
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Roll Call
- IV. Minutes
  - \*\*\*A. Minutes of the June 19, 2019 Regular Meeting (attached)
- V. Introduction of Guests
- VI. Public Comment
- VII. Public Hearing
- VIII. Finances
- IX. Committee Reports
- X. Old Business
  - \*\*\*A. Approval of the Air Quality Conformity Analysis for the Flint MI Conformity Area (Genesee and Lapeer Counties) (attached)

\*\*\*B. FY 2020-2023 Metropolitan Transportation Planning Process Self-Certification (attached)

\*\*\*C. FY 2020-2023 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) approval (attached)

XI. New Business

\*\*\*A. FY 2017-2020 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment # 20 (attached)

XII. Other Business

XIII. Announcements

XIV. Adjournment

**\*\*\*Action Items**

**NEXT MEETING – Wednesday, August 21, 2019, 7:00 P.M.**

**GENESEE COUNTY METROPOLITAN ALLIANCE**  
**Regular Meeting Minutes**  
**June 19, 2019**

The Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance Committee met at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 19, 2019, in the Harris Auditorium of the Genesee County Administration Building, 1101 Beach Street, Third Floor, Flint, Michigan.

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Chairperson Johnson called the meeting to order at 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  
 City of Burton

City of Clio

City of Davison  
 City of Fenton  
 City of Flint

City of Flushing

City of Grand Blanc

City of Linden

City of Montrose  
 City of Mt. Morris  
 City of Swartz Creek

Duane Mosher

Mark Richard

John Gilbert  
 Robert Plumb

Commissioner Ted Henry  
 Thomas Martinbianco  
 Danny Wells

Eric Wiederhold  
 Reuben Garcia  
 Leigh LaForest  
 Patricia Lockwood  
 Mayor Karen Weaver  
 Robert Bincsik  
 Betty Wideman  
 George Gray

Chris Douglas

Mayor Susan Soderstrom  
 Ray Culbert

Paul Zelenak

William Daniels

Argentine Township		Dennis Cramer Brian Saad Leslie Renckly Paulette Johnson Tere Onica
Atlas Township		
Clayton Township	Shelley Thompson	
	Chris Gehringer	
Davison Township		Matthew Karr Rhonda Clark Vince Lorraine
Fenton Township		
	Andrew Marko	
Flint Township		Robert Kesler Karyn Miller
	John Whiteside	
Flushing Township	Jenifer Almassy Bill Bain	Tracey Tucker
Forest Township		Frederick Thorsby Mary Ann Price
Gaines Township	Lee Purdy	
Genesee Township		Diane Hyrman
	Tod Sorensen Cheryl Woughter	
Grand Blanc Township	Al Mansour	
Montrose Township	Tom Tithof	Monica Shapiro
Mt. Morris Township		Mark Emmendorfer
	Robert Johnson Brian Baxter	
Mundy Township		Michael Dunklee Kay Doerr
	Mark Gorton Dan Morey	
Richfield Township		Gerry Masters Gary Stevens Mike LaPointe Pam Faris Kerry Paulson
Theftord Township		
Vienna Township		
Goodrich Village	Doug McAbee	
Otisville Village		Angie Adamec Tim Light
Otter Lake Village		Joan Skias

Lennon Village  
Gaines Village

Emily Alexander  
Valerie Delauter  
Melissa Neal  
Andrea Dewey  
Aaron Dawson  
Jeff Wright

Federal Highway Admin

Gen Cty Drain Comm  
Gen Cty Road Comm  
GCMPC

Alex Patsy

Derek Bradshaw

Mass Trans Authority

Christine Durgan  
Ed Benning

Mich Dept of Trans

Shawnice Dorsey  
Anita Boughner  
Jay Reithel  
Steven Katenhus

Trevor Block

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Jason Nordberg, Sharon Gregory, and Debby Compton.

**IV. Minutes**

**\*\*\*A. Minutes of the May 15, 2019 Regular Meeting**

**Motion: Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Chris Gehringer, **Supported by** Robert Plumb, to approve the minutes of the May 15, 2019 regular meeting as presented.

Motion carried unanimously.

**V. Introduction of Guests**

None

**VI. Public Comment**

None

**VII. Public Hearing**

None

**VIII. Finances**

None

**IX. Committee Reports**

None

**X. Old Business**

**A. 2019 Metropolitan Transportation Planning Certification Review for the Flint, Michigan Transportation Management Area (Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance) Update**

Sharon Gregory announced that the Federal Highway Administration and Federal Transit Administration have certified the planning process for the Flint Transportation Management Area. The overall conclusion of the Certification Review is that the Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance is a continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive process and reflects a significant professional commitment to deliver quality in transportation planning. A detailed finding report is expected in the next couple of weeks.

**XI. 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. There is one item on the amendment for the City of Burton, and the city has indicated that it agrees with clearing this old project out of the database. The project has already been closed out. 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. These projects are eligible for the funding programmed and the Interagency Work Group has reviewed the projects and has determined that all of them are exempt from Air Quality Conformity Analysis. At this time the Technical Advisory Committee is recommending approval of amendment #19 to the FY 2017-2020 Transportation Improvement Program to the Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance.

**Motion: Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Robert Plumb, **Supported by** Doug Mcabee, to approve the FY 2017-2020 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment #19.

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**

Sharon Gregory advised that the Michigan Department of Transportation released three (3) Calls for Projects. Staff sent out reminders to road agencies. MDOT is requesting project applications be submitted to them by Monday, August 5, 2019 and 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. Staff is requesting approval from the Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance to allow the FY 2021 Safety Projects to be reviewed and endorsed by the Genesee County Metropolitan Planning Commission staff as the Metropolitan Alliance will not meet between July 29<sup>th</sup> and August 5<sup>th</sup> when the applications are due to MDOT.

**Motion: Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Bill Bain, **Supported by** Robert Plumb, to approve the FY 2021 Call for Safety Projects to be reviewed and endorsed by the Genesee County Metropolitan Planning Commission staff.

Motion carried unanimously.

**C. Draft FY 2020-2023 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Document and Air Quality Conformity Analysis**

Sharon Gregory stated that the Draft FY 2020-2023 TIP Document and Air Quality Conformity Analysis is in the middle of the thirty-day public comment period. Staff hopes everyone has had a chance to review the document and provide comments by clicking the link that was provided in the memo. Staff will be coming back to this committee for approval in July.

**\*\*\*D. Congestion Management Process (CMP) for Genesee County**

Jason Nordberg advised that staff has been working with the Transportation System Management Subcommittee (TSM) on the Congestion Management Process (CMP). 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 Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) is recommending approval of the Congestion Management Process (CMP) as well as the maps identifying the deficiencies to the Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance.

**Motion: Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Chris Gehringer, **Supported by** Robert Plumb, to approve the Congestion Management Process for Genesee County.

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 the application by adding safety and reliability to the scoring and made sure the application references performance measures. At this time the Technical Advisory Committee is recommending approval to the Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance for the 2045 Long Range Transportation Plan Project Application. Discussion ensued.

**Motion: Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Jenifer Almassy, **Supported by** Doug Mcabee, to approve the 2045 Long Range Transportation Plan Project Application.

Motion carried unanimously.

**F. Genesee County Road Commission Projects Update**

Alex Patsy, Programming and Development Engineer from the Genesee County Road Commission (GCRC), presented a PowerPoint presentation on the 2019 GCRC Construction Projects and 2020 Construction Preview. Discussion ensued.

**XII. 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 their 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. MDOT's Local Agency Programs has 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 who has a current-year TIP project as they always do at the beginning of the fiscal year. Discussion ensued.

Jason Nordberg stated that the Obligation Authority for projects ran out in June, which is a lot earlier than in prior years.

**XIII. Announcements**

None

**XIV. Adjournment**

Chairperson Johnson adjourned the meeting at 7:45 p.m.

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

## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Members of the Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance

**FROM:** Sharon Gregory, Lead Planner  
Genesee County Metropolitan Planning Commission

**DATE:** July 17, 2019

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

At the June meeting of the Metropolitan Alliance, staff presented a draft version of the Air Quality Conformity Analysis for the Flint MI Conformity Area, as part of the FY 2020-2023 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) document. The draft Air Quality Conformity Analysis makes the determination that our FY 2020-2023 TIP and its projects satisfy all requirements in the Air Quality Conformity regulations. The FY 2020-2023 TIP conforms to the State Implementation Plan (SIP) for the 1997 ozone standard based on the results of the conformity analysis. The attached resolution makes a formal conformity determination after the Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance approves and signs it.

The draft Air Quality Conformity Analysis document can be accessed by using the following link:

<http://gcmpc.org/draft-fy-2020-2023-transportation-improvement-program-tip-and-draft-air-quality-conformity-analysis-for-the-flint-mi-area/>

The required 30-day public comment period began on Sunday, June 2, 2019, and ran through Tuesday, July 2, 2019. A public hearing was held on July 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Harris Auditorium on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor of the Genesee County Administration Building.

Any comments received on the draft Air Quality Conformity Analysis have been incorporated into the document.

At this time, the Technical Advisory Committee is recommending approval to the Metropolitan Alliance for the Air Quality Conformity Analysis for the Flint MI Conformity Area, and also for the chairperson of the Metropolitan Alliance to sign the attached resolution.

**Resolution to Accept the 1997 Ozone NAAQS Transportation Conformity Analysis for Genesee County and Lapeer County for the 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan and the FY 2020-2023 Transportation Improvement Program for the Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance (GCMA)**

WHEREAS, per the court decision in South Coast II, beginning February 16, 2019, transportation conformity determinations for the 1997 ozone national ambient air quality standards (NAAQS) will be needed for those areas that were maintenance areas when the 1997 ozone NAAQS was revoked and then attainment for the 2008 and 2015 NAAQS; and

WHEREAS, the United States Environmental Protection Agency designated Genesee County and Lapeer County, (hereafter referred to as the Flint, MI Conformity Area) as a maintenance area in May 2007; and

WHEREAS, the Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance (GCMA) is the designated Policy Committee and Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Flint, Michigan urban area; and

WHEREAS, the conformity of the GCMA 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan and FY 2020-2023 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) will be pending approval by the Federal Highway Administration after local action on the conformity analysis document by the GCMA Policy Committee; and

WHEREAS, the GCMA 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan and FY 2020-2023 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) were analyzed in accordance with 40 CFR 51 for air quality conformity and the results of the conformity analysis conducted by the Michigan Department of Transportation demonstrates that the forecasted volatile organic compound (VOC) and nitrogen oxide (NOx) emissions for all analysis years are below the State Implementation Plan (SIP) budgets;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance accepts the results of the 1997 ozone transportation conformity analysis for the Flint, MI Conformity Area for the GCMA 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan and FY 2020-2023 Transportation Improvement Program in Genesee County and Lapeer County; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the 1997 Ozone Transportation Conformity Analysis for the Flint, MI Conformity Area demonstrates conformity with the SIP for air quality as required by provisions of Title 40 CFR 51.390 and 93, and Title 23 CFR 450 and the South Coast II decision.

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Robert Johnson, Chairperson  
Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance

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DATE:

## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Members of the Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance

**FROM:** Sharon Gregory, Lead Planner  
Genesee County Metropolitan Planning Commission

**DATE:** July 17, 2019

**SUBJECT: FY 2020-2023 Metropolitan Transportation Planning Process Self-Certification**

Genesee County Metropolitan Planning Commission (GCMPC) is seeking approval from the Metropolitan Alliance to self-certify the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Process in Genesee County. Self-certification is a process that takes place in conjunction with the submittal of a new Transportation Improvement Program (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. Please find attached a copy of the Self-Certification which identifies these requirements.

At this time, the Technical Advisory Committee is recommending approval of the Self-Certification for the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Process to the Metropolitan Alliance, and also for the chairperson of the Metropolitan Alliance to sign the Self-Certification.

## **METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLANNING PROCESS CERTIFICATION**

In accordance with 23 CFR 450.334, the Michigan Department of Transportation and the Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance, the Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Flint-Genesee County, Michigan urbanized area, hereby certify, as part of the STIP submittal, that the transportation planning process is addressing the major issues in the metropolitan planning area and is being conducted in accordance with all applicable requirements of:

- (1) 23 U.S.C. 134, 49 U.S.C. 5303, and this subpart;
- (2) In nonattainment and maintenance areas, sections 174 and 176(c) and (d) of the Clean Air Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. 7504, 7506(c) and (d)) and 40 CFR part 93;
- (3) Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended (42 U.S.C. 2000d-1) and 49 CFR part 21;
- (4) 49 U.S.C. 5332, prohibiting discrimination on the basis of race, color, creed, national origin, sex, or age in employment or business opportunity;
- (5) Section 1101(b) of the FAST Act (Pub. L. 114-357) and 49 CFR part 26 regarding the involvement of disadvantaged business enterprises in DOT funded projects;
- (6) 23 CFR part 230, regarding the implementation of an equal employment opportunity program on Federal and Federal-aid highway construction contracts;
- (7) The provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12101 *et seq.*) and 49 CFR parts 27, 37, and 38;
- (8) The Older Americans Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. 6101), prohibiting discrimination on the basis of age in programs or activities receiving Federal financial assistance;
- (9) Section 324 of title 23 U.S.C. regarding the prohibition of discrimination based on gender; and
- (10) Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 794) and 49 CFR part 27 regarding discrimination against individuals with disabilities.

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Robert Johnson, Chairperson  
Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance

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Todd White, Director  
Bureau of Transportation Planning

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Date

## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Members of the Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance

**FROM:** Sharon Gregory, Lead Planner  
Genesee County Metropolitan Planning Commission

**DATE:** July 17, 2019

**SUBJECT: FY 2020-2023 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Approval**

At the June meeting of the Metropolitan Alliance, staff presented a draft version of the FY 2020-2023 TIP document. The required 30-day public comment period began on Sunday, June 2, 2019, and ran through Tuesday, July 2, 2019. A public hearing was held on July 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Harris Auditorium on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor of the Genesee County Administration Building. The document can be accessed by using the following link:

<http://gcmnpc.org/draft-fy-2020-2023-transportation-improvement-program-tip-and-draft-air-quality-conformity-analysis-for-the-flint-mi-area/>

The FY 2020-2023 TIP document is fiscally constrained. It contains a listing of projects that have been through Air Quality Conformity Analysis, Environmental Justice Analysis, Environmental Consultation, and they are eligible for the identified funding. Staff received comments on the proposed FY 2020-2023 TIP, and those comments have been incorporated into the document.

At this time, the Technical Advisory Committee is recommending approval to the Metropolitan Alliance for the FY 2020-2023 Transportation Improvement Program, and also for the chairperson of the Metropolitan Alliance to sign the attached resolution.

**RESOLUTION**  
**A Resolution Approving the**  
**FY 2020-2023 Transportation Improvement Program**

**WHEREAS**, The Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance (GCMA) is the designated policy committee and Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Flint-Genesee County Transportation Planning Study Area, and

**WHEREAS**, The Metropolitan Planning Organization is responsible for the development of a Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) which is required by both the Federal Transit Administration and Federal Highway Administration, and

**WHEREAS**, The FY 2020-2023 TIP includes a fiscal analysis that identifies sources of anticipated revenue and demonstrates how the transportation system will be operated and maintained and how identified projects will be funded and thus is financially constrained, and

**WHEREAS**, The FY 2020-2023 TIP was developed with the opportunity for public input and comment as specified in the Flint-Genesee County Public Participation Plan, and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, It is the finding by the Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance that the FY 2020-2023 TIP is consistent with the Flint-Genesee County 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That the Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance approves the FY 2020-2023 TIP, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That the current FY 2017-2020 TIP remains in effect until the FY 2020-2023 TIP has been approved by the Michigan Department of Transportation and the Governor, and has been found to conform to the State Implementation Plan by the Federal Highway Administration, and the Federal Transit Administration.

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Robert Johnson, Chairperson  
Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance

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Date

**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Members of the Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance

**FROM:** Sharon Gregory, Lead Planner  
Genesee County Metropolitan Planning Commission

**DATE:** July 17, 2019

**SUBJECT: FY 2017-2020 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)  
Amendment # 20**

Attached is the description of proposed projects in the FY 2017-2020 TIP Amendment # 20. This amendment changes four (4) projects in the FY 2017-2020 TIP.

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. The projects that are being amended are eligible for the funding programmed, and they meet the intended state (including State TEDF Category C) and federal goals and objectives identified for the funding.

Staff has reviewed these projects and has determined that all projects are exempt from Air Quality Conformity Analysis as consistent with Conformity Regulations. The Interagency Work Group (IAWG) has reviewed the listing of projects for this amendment and has provided concurrence with staff's determination.

At this time, the Technical Advisory Committee is recommending approval of the attached Amendment #20 to the FY 2017-2020 Transportation Improvement Program to the Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance.

**FY 2017-2020 Transportation Improvement Program  
Proposed Amendment # 20**

**Projects proposed to be changed with a TIP Amendment**

Year	MDOT Job Number	Responsible Agency	Project Name	Length	Limits	Project Description	Phase	Fund Type	Federal	State	Local	Total Cost	Comments
2019	208454	MDOT	M-57 (Vienna Rd.)	n/a	At the Huron & Eastern Railway crossing in Montrose	Reconstruct railroad crossing surface for safety	CON	STRH	\$83,117	\$9,236	\$0	\$92,353	Project was added to the FY 2019 Trunkline Traffic Operations And Safety GPA.
2019	205161	MDOT	I-475 North	1.12	Kearsley St. to Crapo St. in Flint	Sound barrier rehabilitation	PE	NH	\$48,147	\$10,677	\$0	\$58,824	Project was added to the FY 2019 Trunkline Traffic Operations And Safety GPA.
2019	205326	MDOT	M-54 (Dort Hwy.)	3.7	Atherton Rd. to Leith St.	Milling and One Course HMA Overlay, joint-repairs, drainage upgrades, and sidewalk ramp-ADA upgrades Milling and Two Course HMA Overlay, partial reconstruction with watermain replacement, joint repairs, drainage upgrades, sidewalk ramp ADA upgrades, and permanent signing and pavement markings.	PE	NH	\$94,151 \$94,077	\$20,878 \$3,018,660	\$0 \$61,207	\$115,029 \$3,173,944	Scope change with a major funding increase.

**GPA proposed to be changed with a TIP Amendment**

Year	MDOT Job Number	Responsible Agency	Project Name	Length	Limits	Project Description	Phase	Fund Type	Federal	State	Local	Total Cost	Comments
2019	n/a	MDOT	Trunkline Traffic Operations And Safety GPA	n/a	Genesee County	Trunkline Traffic Operations And Safety GPA	n/a	n/a	\$218,814 \$350,078	\$22,646 \$42,559	\$0	\$241,460 \$392,637	JN 208454 and JN 205161 were added to this GPA.

STRH--Surface Transportation Safety Highway Crossing Hazard Elimination

NH--National Highway System