

**GENESEE TRANSPORTATION COUNCIL
PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING**

**August 6, 2020
10:00 a.m.**

Due to physical distance requirements during the COVID-19 outbreak, this meeting was conducted online rather than in-person.

PLANNING COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Timothy Frelier, Monroe County
Erik Frisch, Rochester - At Large
Todd Gadd, Wyoming County
Carlos Gonzalez, FHWA
Timothy Hens, Genesee County
Scott Leathersich, Monroe County - At Large (Chairperson)
John Papponetti, Orleans County
Kevin Rooney, Wayne County
Mitch Rowe, Seneca County
Robert Scanlon, Rochester City Council
David Zorn, Genesee/Finger Lakes Regional Planning Council (G/FLRPC)

ALTERNATE REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT

Patrick Gooch, Monroe County Planning Board, representing Rochelle Bell
Joel Kleinberg, New York State Department of Transportation – Region 4, representing Christopher Reeve
Jason Wolfanger, Livingston County representing Angela Ellis

PLANNING COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT AND UNREPRESENTED

Bill Carpenter, Rochester Genesee Regional Transportation Authority (RGRTA)
Stephen Golding, Empire State Development Corporation
Norman Jones, City of Rochester
Bob Kiley, Monroe County Supervisors' Association
Dorraine Kirkmire, City of Rochester Planning Commission
David Lindsay, Monroe County - At Large
Mike Rockow, Monroe County Legislature
Steven Ulass, Federal Aviation Administration (FAA)
Bill Wright, Ontario County
(Vacant), Yates County
(Vacant), NYS Thruway Authority
(Vacant), Federal Transportation Administration (FTA)
(Vacant), NYS Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC)

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE

Jody Binnix, GTC staff	Yixuan Lin, Monroe County
Joe Bovenzi, GTC staff	Kiernan Playford, G/FLRPC
Mike Croce, Bergmann Associates, Inc.	Maria Rudzinski, Ontario County
Megan Crowe, Livingston County	Christopher Reeve, NYSDOT
Haylee Ferington, G/FLRPC	Terry Rice, Barton and Loguidice, Inc.
Scott Helser, NYS Thruway Authority	Chris Sichak, Erdmann Anthony, Inc.
Jeff Jamberdino, NYSDOT	James Stack, GTC staff
Dennis Judson, Fisher Associates, Inc.	Chris Tortora, GTC staff
Joel Kleinberg, NYSDOT	Bob Williams, GTC staff
Alex Kone, GTC staff	

1. Call to Order & Introductions

Scott Leathersich, Planning Committee Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. Alex Kone conducted a roll call of Committee members and alternates. The names of other attendees were captured from meeting log in information.

2. Public Forum

Nobody from the public spoke during the Public Forum.

3. Approval of Minutes

BJ Scanlon moved to approve the minutes from the May 14, 2020 Planning Committee meeting; Tim Hens seconded the motion. The motion passed unopposed.

4. Reports and Action on Old Business

a. Reports on UPWP Projects and Other Activities

GTC

Jim Stack reported:

- GTC Strategic Planning: No new activity to report.
- Long Range Transportation Plan Update/Implementation: The LRTP will be discussed under Item 4.c. An LRTP status update will be a standing item until a new LRTP is adopted.
- Genesee-Finger Lakes Scenario Tool: Five online trainings were held in June with UrbanFootprint. 2050 trend scenario allocations are being developed based upon GTC control totals for use in UF and the GTC Travel Demand Model.
- I-490 Integrated Corridor Management (ICM) Plan: The consultant evaluation and selection team identified a preferred consultant and the contract is currently under legal review.
- Vulnerable Users Safety Assessment Program Phases 1 & 2: The project is expected to be presented for closeout in October.
- Congestion Management Process (CMP): No activity to report.
- Travel Time Data Collection Program: Permission was granted for GTC to enter into a one-year Sole Source procurement, with the expectation that GTC staff will take the project out for RFQ this winter. The contract with INRIX was signed in May.
- Lake Ontario State Parkway Lane Transportation Alternatives Feasibility Study: Final cost estimates were received from NYSDOT and the consultant has been able to review and summarize the final alternatives. The Steering Committee is expected to meet later this month to review this information. The final public meeting will be scheduled this fall.

- Genesee-Finger Lakes Regional Performance Measurement Monitoring & Evaluation System: GTC, MCDOT, and NYSDOT staff have been reviewing a draft Phase II scope of work.
- Transportation Impacts on Economic Development in the Greater Rochester International Airport (GRIA) Area: Joe Bovenzi developed a draft RFP for key partners to comment on. Meetings were conducted with several key partners. However, COVID-19 got in the way of finishing those meetings and many key staff have had to focus on the response. This project has not been able to progress.
- Cross Asset Highway and Bridge Evaluation and Prioritization Tool: Staff are continuing to coordinate with Decision Lens on asset data and existing TIP evaluation criteria. A meeting with the TDC is expected in the fall.
- Livingston County Human Services Trip Planning Website: The project was accepted by the GTC Board at its February 27 meeting.
- Greater Rochester Transportation Management Association Feasibility Plan: The RFP has been officially cancelled and responding firms have been notified.

G/FLRPC

Dave Zorn reported:

- Genesee Finger Lakes Region Local Update of Census Addresses 2020: Project was accepted by the GTC Board at its June 11 meeting.
- Regional Land Use Monitoring Report: Alternative data for permits is being used to supplement jurisdiction surveys outside of the urbanized area.

Kiernan Playford reported:

- Implementing Complete Streets in the G-FL Region; A Guidebook: The draft model policy is complete and will be presented for public comment in Penn Yan later in the month. The Guidebook development is on-going.

Haylee Ferington reported:

- Regional Fleet Electrification Study: Initial data collection of existing fleets including schools, agriculture, and goods movement sectors. Suggestions and contacts are requested.

Livingston County

Jim Stack reported:

- Livingston County Downtown Wayfinding Master Plan: A project website is now available. The Steering Committee met on June 3 and additional small group walking tours have been taking place in each village. A larger public input opportunity will commence later this month.
- Livingston County Mobility Management Strategy: The scope of work is being presented for approval under agenda item 5.a.

Monroe County

Patrick Gooch reported:

- Monroe County Land Use Monitoring: Project was accepted by the GTC Board at its June 11 meeting.

Tim Frelier reported:

- Monroe County High Accident Location Program: Two additional locations have been completed, totaling four of the twenty-eight locations for 2020-2021.
- Monroe County Traffic-Signal/Sign Pole Asset Management: A contract will be executed by the end of September.

NYS DOT

Alex Kone reported:

- NYS DOT Safety Investigations and Analysis: The consultant has provided draft countermeasure and operational recommendations for the Rt 15 corridor.

Joel Kleinberg reported:

- O'Rorke Bridge Operations and Maintenance Analysis and Strategy: The kick-off meeting was held on June 25. A draft tech memo will be developed summarizing existing practices and deficiencies while compiling best practices related to similar structures.
- Ramp Reconfiguration Study: The scope of work is being presented for approval under agenda item 5.a.

Ontario County

Maria Rudzinski reported:

- State Route 332 & Route 96 Sub-Area Study: The Steering Committee met on June 25. A public meeting/walking tour will be held on September 21.
- Honeoye Hamlet Active Transportation Study: A virtual public open house was held on July 20-22. The public engagement summary will be provided to the Steering Committee on August 11.
- Ontario County SR 364/CR 11 Active Transportation Corridor Plan: The scope of work is being presented for close out under agenda item 5.b.

City of Rochester

Erik Frisch reported:

- West Main Street Multimodal Transportation and Placemaking Study: The scope of work was approved at the May 14 meeting. The proposal review committee met on July 30.
- City of Rochester Comprehensive Access & Mobility Plan: Project was accepted by the GTC Board at its June 11 meeting.

RGRTA

James Stack reported:

- RTS System Redesign: A new launch date has not yet been determined and the decision will be driven by future guidance with respect to managing COVID-19.

Seneca County

Mitch Rowe reported:

- Phase II - Cayuga-Seneca Trail: The draft plan is complete and is currently being reviewed by the Steering Committee. Close out is expected at the October meeting.

Wayne County

Kevin Rooney reported:

- Wayne County High Accident Location Study: Location screening is complete based upon crash rates and other factors. The selected locations will be investigated.
- Ontario Midland Strategic Plan: The Business Opportunity Analysis is being finalized for distribution to the Steering Committee. The Steering Committee is expected to meet at the end of the month to review the Analysis.
- Gananda Parkway Pedestrian & Bicycle Active Transportation Plan: The draft Inventory and Needs Assessment Tech Memo was provided in June. The revised memo was distributed to the Steering Committee for its meeting on August 7. An online public meeting is scheduled for August 26.

Other Agencies

Jim Stack reported:

- Route 390 Multi-Use Trail Restoration and Safety Improvement Study: The contract was executed in June. The Steering Committee kick-off is scheduled for August 10. GTC will provide counts along the trail.
- Honeoye Falls Circulation, Accessibility, and Parking (CAP) Study: Project was accepted by the GTC Board at its June 11 meeting.
- Village of Avon Circulation, Accessibility & Parking: The first public meeting was held on June 30 via PublicInput.com.
- Village of Waterloo Circulation, Accessibility and Parking (CAP) Study: RFP was released on July 15 with responses due on August 19.
- Village of Perry Transportation Safety and Access Study: Five consultant proposals have been received.
- Mt. Morris-Leicester Route 36 Corridor Study: GTC staff provided traffic camera footage and active transportation counts. The Steering Committee met on July 14. The consultant is producing a needs assessment and public outreach materials for PublicInput.com.

- Beh Industrial Park Traffic Optimization Study: The scope of work was approved at the May meeting and the RFP is under development.
- Canandaigua Waterfront Active Transportation Plan: Thirteen consultant proposals have been received.
- Geneseo Active Transportation Plan: Project was accepted by the GTC Board at its June 11 meeting.
- Sodus Point Active Transportation Plan: Project was accepted by the GTC Board at its June 11 meeting.
- Maple Ridge Corridor Study: Project was accepted by the GTC Board at its June 11 meeting.
- Middle Cheshire Road & Health Care Services Corridor Active Transportation Plan: Peak period traffic and turning movements were collected at two intersections on August 4 and 5. A public workshop will be held on August 19.

b. Any Other Old Business or Announcements

Federal Legislative and Funding Update

James Stack reported that the House of Representatives has passed an appropriations bill for Federal Fiscal Year 2021 but that the Senate has not taken it up prior to their August recess.

The FAST Act authorization is set to expire on September 30. There is not yet agreement on a new authorization bill between the House and Senate. The Senate Environment and Public Works Committee previously passed the America's Transportation Infrastructure Act in 2019 and the House approved its own package, the INVEST in America Act. Neither chamber has acted on the other's bills to date.

A continuing resolution to extend the FAST Act through the election is expected when both chambers return to session in mid-September. A compromise, if any, on stimulus funds on a successor the CARES Act will be addressed then.

TIP Staff Modifications

Alex Kone reported that five TIP Staff Modifications were included in the agenda materials. He noted an additional Modification, adding a local non-participating share to the Mud Mills Road Bridge over Ganargua Creek project, that was approved following the agenda distribution.

Other Announcements

- James Stack announced that Patrick Gooch is an alternate for Rochelle Bell representing the Monroe County Planning Board.
- Tim Frelier announced his retirement from Monroe County at the end of September.
- Dave Zorn announced his retirement from the Genesee-Finger Lakes Regional Planning Council at the end of September.

c. *Long Range Transportation Plan for the Genesee-Finger Lakes Region 2045*

Jody Binnix reported that staff are continuing to work on the public engagement component of the LRTP and initial document prep. GTC has received preliminary guidance from our federal partners that the LRTP deadline will not be extended due to COVID-19. GTC is still anticipating a June 2021 adoption.

GTC staff developed an initial survey on issues and opportunities facing the region now and, in the future, along with transportation related solutions that address these issues and opportunities.

On July 23, GTC staff sent out the survey via email to more than 750 people. GTC has been sharing and promoting the survey on our social media platforms such as Facebook and Twitter. As of Wednesday, August 5, almost 100 people have taken the survey. The survey is being managed through PublicInput.com and will remain active until Friday, September 4.

Two virtual open houses for the LRTP will be held. The first will take place on Thursday, August 20 from noon to 1 p.m. and the second on Tuesday, August 25 from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. GTC is utilizing the PublicInput.com platform to host these meetings. A prerecorded PowerPoint presentation discussing the LRTP update will be available to view on YouTube ahead of the open houses. The open houses will provide an opportunity for members of the public to ask staff questions regarding the plan.

Additionally, staff are working on completing sections of the LRTP that include the profiling the existing transportation system and updating demographic data.

Carlos Gonzalez added that FHWA will provide COVID-related travel data and projections, as they are made available. He noted that GTC is conducting public involvement and collecting survey data earlier than other MPOs.

5. Action Items

a. Action concerning consideration of UPWP Project Scope of Work

Scott Leathersich suggested grouping Items 5.a.1 through 5.a.2 into a single action. No Member or Alternate objected.

1. Task 7952 – Ramp Reconfiguration Study

Joe Bovenzi presented the Scope of Work for the project. He reported that the purpose of this project is to assess the current ramp configuration at two interchanges (I-490/I-590/NYS Route 590 and NYS Route 590/NYS Route 104) with the intent of investigating alternatives that address safety, efficiency, and congestion issues at those interchanges. This project will primarily be a modeling exercise aimed at understanding how various alternative ramp configurations will function. Joe noted that he is working with Joel Kleinberg at NYSDOT-Region 4

to develop a Request for Proposals package, which is anticipated to be released later in August.

2. Task 8171 – Livingston County Mobility Management Strategy

Megan Crowe presented the Scope of Work for the project. She noted that the purpose of the project is to develop a tool to analyze existing mobility management in Livingston County, specifically for program-level transportation needs and demands through human service agencies. The Strategy will examine demand generated by public programming, the efficiencies, opportunities, public funding sources, contracts, and other transportation related functions across County operations.

By studying the existing operations and the existing transportation demand, the Mobility Management Strategy will be a tool to assist the County in optimizing mobility management operations.

Patrick Gooch motioned to approve the UPWP Project Scopes of Work for Tasks 7952 and 8171; Joel Kleinberg seconded the motion. The motion passed unopposed.

b. Recommendation to the GTC Board concerning accepting reports as evidence of completion of a UPWP Task

Scott Leathersich suggested grouping Items 5.b.1 through 5.b.2 into a single action. No Member or Alternate objected.

1. Recommendation to the GTC Board concerning **accepting the *Ontario County SR 364/CR11 Active Transportation Plan as evidence of completion of UPWP Task 8777*** / Proposed Council Resolution 20-29 (Ontario County)

Maria Rudzinski presented the Executive Summary of the project. The purpose of the project was to identify comprehensive strategies and infrastructure improvements to incorporate bicyclists, pedestrians, and motorists as equal corridor users, especially including non-motorized access to two County parks - Ontario County Beach and Deep Run - and parkland in the Town of Gorham. Tasks included inventorying existing and planned conditions including physical operational, and regulatory characteristics of the roadway and community, along with the surveying the active transportation experience along the corridor. Existing planning documents and zoning regulations were reviewed. A corridor-wide and a character zone needs and opportunities assessment with corresponding recommendations and general cost estimates were developed. Finally, an implementation priority matrix was created.

2. Recommendation to the GTC Board concerning **accepting the *Land Use Report for Monroe County, New York– Major Projects Proposed, Approved, and Constructed in 2019 as evidence of completion of UPWP Task 4210*** / Proposed Council Resolution 20-30 (Monroe County)

Yixuan Lin presented the Executive Summary of the project. The purpose of the project was to document land use and development trends in Monroe County for use in updating the GTC Travel Demand Model. Tasks include distributing municipal surveys and following up with non-respondents. The report compiled annual and proposed development by municipality and at the Transportation Analysis Zone-level. Yixuan shared initial findings as well.

Joel Kleinberg moved to recommend that the GTC Board adopt proposed Resolutions 20-29 through 20-30; John Paponetti seconded the motion. The motion passed unopposed.

- c. Recommendation to the GTC Board concerning amending the *National Performance Measures Report for the Genesee-Finger Lakes Region and the 2020-2024 Transportation Improvement Program by revising the HSIP and Highway Safety Performance Targets* / Proposed Council Resolution 20-18

James Stack reported that the Highway Safety Performance Targets and Measures were included with the adoption of the 2020-2024 TIP on June 13, 2019. Targets were also included in the National Performance Measures Report for the Genesee-Finger Lakes Region on September 6, 2018.

NYS DOT has conducted its annual analysis of crash data and has coordinated with the Governor's Traffic Safety Committee (GTSC) to establish safety targets for 2021. GTSC reported the 2021 safety targets via its Annual Highway Safety Report and NYS DOT reported the 2021 safety targets via its Highway Safety Improvement Program. Since GTC has agreed to support the State's safety targets, the National Performance Measures Report for the Genesee-Finger Lakes Region and the 2020-2024 Transportation Improvement Program need to be updated to reflect the 2021 targets.

Exhibit 1 of the Resolution shows the revisions to the associated table in the 2020-2024 TIP. As part of this update, GTC staff will also make editorial changes to the TIP where there are references to Resolutions and/or dates of GTC Board action. Exhibit 2 of the Resolution show the revised narrative and table within the National Performance Measures Report.

Joel Kleinberg moved to recommend that the GTC Board adopt proposed Resolution 20-31; John Paponetti seconded the motion. The motion passed unopposed.

- d. **Action and recommendation to the GTC Board concerning modifying and amending the 2020-2024 Transportation Improvement Program** / Proposed Planning Committee Resolutions 20-11 through 20-19 and Proposed Council Resolutions 20-32 through 20-45

Scott Leathersich suggested grouping Items 5.d.1 through 5.d.9 into a single action. No Member or Alternate objected.

1. Action concerning **modifying the 2020-2024 TIP by increasing the Total Cost of the Ridge Road Bridge over Salmon Creek project** / Planning Committee Resolution 20-11 (Wayne County)
2. Action concerning **modifying the 2020-2024 TIP by increasing the Total Cost of the CR 28 at Shortsville Road Intersection Improvements project** / Planning Committee Resolution 20-12 (Ontario County)
3. Action concerning **modifying the 2020-2024 TIP by increasing the Total Cost of the Bridge Preventive Maintenance -Group #2 project** / Planning Committee Resolution 20-13 (Ontario County)
4. Action concerning **modifying the 2020-2024 TIP by deferring a phase of the Dow Rd over Bidwell Creek Bridge project** / Planning Committee Resolution 20-14 (Livingston County)
5. Action concerning **modifying the 2020-2024 TIP by increasing the Total Cost of the East Main Street Reconstruction project** / Planning Committee Resolution 20-15 (City of Rochester)

Alex Kone noted that the resolution has been revised from what was sent out in the meeting package to show a higher Total Cost of \$10,697,500 resulting from an increased non-participating share to reflect the latest Engineer's Estimate.

6. Action concerning **modifying the 2020-2024 TIP by increasing the Total Cost of the Northwest, Group 12 project** / Planning Committee Resolution 20-16 (City of Rochester)
7. Action concerning **modifying the 2020-2024 TIP by deferring a phase of the Rt 5/US 20 Intersection Improvements project** / Planning Committee Resolution 20-17 (NYSDOT)
8. Action concerning **modifying the 2020-2024 TIP by adding a supplementary phase to the Rt 204 MbC (Rt 33A to Rochester C/L) project** / Planning Committee Resolution 20-18 (NYSDOT)
9. Action concerning **modifying the 2020-2024 TIP by deferring a phase of the Arcade Main Street Sidewalk project** / Planning Committee Resolution 20-19 (Village of Arcade)

Tim Frelier motioned to approve Planning Committee Resolutions 20-11 through 20-19, as revised; John Paponetti seconded the motion. The motion passed unopposed.

Scott Leathersich suggested grouping Items 5.d.10 through 5.d.23 into a single action. No member or Alternate objected.

10. Recommendation to the GTC Board concerning **amending the 2020-2024 TIP by adding the Ontario Street Bridge over Irondequoit Creek Replacement project** / Proposed Council Resolution 20-32 (Town/Village of East Rochester)
11. Recommendation to the GTC Board concerning **amending the 2020-2024 TIP by deferring phases of the Yates Carlton Townline Rd over Johnson Creek Bridge project** / Proposed Council Resolution 20-33 (Orleans County)
12. Recommendation to the GTC Board concerning **amending the 2020-2024 TIP by increasing the Total Cost of the Pavement Markings (2021 & 2022) project** / Proposed Council Resolution 20-34 (NYSDOT)
13. Recommendation to the GTC Board concerning **amending the 2020-2024 TIP by deferring phases of the Rt 531, from Rt 36 to Rt 259 project** / Proposed Council Resolution 20-35 (NYSDOT)
14. Recommendation to the GTC Board concerning **amending the 2020-2024 TIP by deleting the McLernon Rd Bridge over Black Creek project** / Proposed Council Resolution 20-36 (Genesee County)

James Stack noted that this project is not being eliminated, rather the work is being accomplished with Genesee County funding and forces. Scott Leathersich added that the replacement project was previously reviewed by the TDC during the TIP development process.
15. Recommendation to the GTC Board concerning **amending the 2020-2024 TIP by adding the Darien-Alexander Townline Rd Bridge over the Tunnery Creek project** / Proposed Council Resolution 20-37 (Genesee County)
16. Recommendation to the GTC Board concerning **amending the 2020-2024 TIP by increasing the Total Cost of the Rt 19 over Oatka Creek Bridge project** / Proposed Council Resolution 20-38 (NYSDOT)
17. Recommendation to the GTC Board concerning **amending the 2020-2024 TIP by deferring phases of the Rt 63 FLAP Project –Iroquois National Wildlife Refuge project** / Proposed Council Resolution 20-39 (NYSDOT)
18. Recommendation to the GTC Board concerning **amending the 2020-2024 TIP by deferring phases of the Erie Canalway Trail West of Rt 414 project** / Proposed Council Resolution 20-40 (NYSDOT on behalf of the Village of Clyde)
19. Recommendation to the GTC Board concerning **amending the 2020-2024 TIP by deferring a phase of the Sanford Rd Railroad Crossing project** / Proposed Council Resolution 20-41 (NYSDOT)
20. Recommendation to the GTC Board concerning **amending the 2020-2024 TIP by increasing a phase cost of the Rt 19 and Rt 98 over the Erie Canal Rehabilitation project** / Proposed Council Resolution 20-42 (NYSDOT)

21. Recommendation to the GTC Board concerning **amending the 2020-2024 TIP by adding the Volunteer Transportation WNY project** / Proposed Council Resolution 20-43 (GTC on behalf of the Volunteer Transportation Center)
22. Recommendation to the GTC Board concerning **amending the 2020-2024 TIP by adding the FTA Section 5310 Block** / Proposed Council Resolution 20-44 (GTC on behalf of Not-for-Profit Agencies)
23. Recommendation to the GTC Board concerning **amending the 2020-2024 TIP by adding the FTA Section 5311 Block** / Proposed Council Resolution 20-45 (RGRTA)

John Paponetti moved to recommend that the GTC Board adopt proposed Resolutions 20-32 through 20-45; Tim Hens seconded the motion. The motion passed unopposed.

6. New Business

There was no new business.

7. Public Forum

Nobody from the public spoke during the second Public Forum.

8. Next Meeting:

Scott Leathersich noted that the next meeting is scheduled for October 9, 2020, tentatively at NYSDOT-Region 4, 1530 Jefferson Road in Henrietta.

All materials for items to be considered at this meeting should be submitted to GTC staff no later than Friday, September 25, 2020.

9. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 11:45 a.m.