



CAPITAL REGION  
**Transportation  
Council**

**Meeting Summary**

**Task 6.12**

**Human services transportation advisory committee (HSAC)**

Date: November 4, 2024

Start – End Time: 2:00 PM- 2:45 PM

Location: 1 Park Place, Albany NY 12205

Facilitator: Carrie Ward

<b>Name</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Representing</b>
Adam Leach	Program Director	Catholic Charities Tri-County Services
Angela Searles	Director	Town of Colonie Senior Resources Department
Brian Monaco	Director of Employment & Transportation Services	Center for Disability Services
Donna Stressel	Outpatient Therapy Dept.	Sunnyview Hospital and Rehab Center
Ethan Warren	Senior Planner	Capital District Transportation Authority
Judy Dahoda-Taylor	Deputy Director	Saratoga County Department of Aging & Youth Services
Mary Forman	Planner	Schenectady County Senior & Long Term Care Services
Peggy Osborne	Senior Services Coordinator	Town of Bethlehem Senior Services
Robyn Haberman	Associate State Director, Community Engagement	AARP-NY
Carrie Ward	Senior Transportation Planner	Capital Region Transportation Council
Ethan Townsend	Transportation Planner	Capital Region Transportation Council
Adam McCarville	Transportation Planner	Capital Region Transportation Council
Parker Morris	Transportation Planner	Capital Region Transportation Council

**Agenda Items:**

**1. Welcome & Introductions**

**2. Public Comment**

There were no public comments.

**3. Acceptance of prior meeting notes**

**4. Announcement from AARP about Walk Audits and press event – Robyn Haberman, AARP**

Robyn Haberman, the Associate State Director for Community Engagement, with AARP shared the upcoming launch of an AARP initiative to perform walk audits statewide, including in the Capital Region.

This initiative will be taking place from November 14-22 with a kickoff even at 10am on November 14 in downtown Albany. The walk audits are intended to help participants evaluate intersections for their pedestrian safety. This includes observations on intersection features such as walk indicators, curb condition, road width, crossing time, and any other potential safety concerns. These audits are intended to help promote safety and a healthy lifestyle by identifying intersections in need of improvement. A walk audit form can be found on the AARP-NY website and should be sent back to AARP-NY once completed along with any photos and videos taken.

#### **5. Presentation on In Motion: The Plan to 2050**

Carrie Ward, Senior Transportation Planner, with CRTC gave an update on the status of the long-range transportation plan currently in development, "[In Motion: The Plan to 2050](#)." Another public survey is currently being developed, to hopefully be released soon. To-date Phases 1 and 2 of the Plan are complete, and there have been two rounds of public input. The vision statement, which was approved in September, was shared with the committee. The draft goals and objectives were also shared. A Planning Scenario Workshop is scheduled for later in December.

#### **6. NYS Master Plan for Aging Status**

Carrie gave an update on the NYS Master Plan for Aging. An interim report was released to the workgroups involved in the Plan's development. The report shared the plan's goals, which include support of transportation that allows older adults to have access to all the services they require. Several transportation-related proposals in the Plan were shared with the committee.

#### **7. Section 5310**

Letters were sent out to all applicants from the most recent Section 5310 project solicitation in October 2024. Contracts for selected projects are currently in development. The next solicitation will be in Fall 2025. Section 5311 will have a solicitation later in Fall 2024.

#### **8. Updates**

- a. CRTC - Vision Zero Safety Action Plan
  - o The [website for the Vision Zero Safety Action Plan](#) is live. Concept demonstrations are planned at six locations throughout the Capital Region, with the goal of receiving public input on different potential safety treatments. These public sessions will be in early December or in January.
- b. CRTC – 2025
  - o 2025 meeting dates for the Committee were finalized: all Mondays at 2pm, on February 3, May 5, August 4, and November 3.
- c. Adam Leach – Catholic Charities received their DOT letter for the recent Section 5310 solicitation.
  - o Brian Monaco – New bus lead times from the manufacturers have decreased significantly. The Center for Disability Services anticipates receiving half of their ordered busses from the previous 5310 awards by the end of the month.
  - o City of Albany school zone speed cameras have gone into effect. Violation of the speed zones results in a \$50 fine. The Center has received a number of violation notices – he looked at the locations and noted that they are all well signed in advance of the cameras.
- d. CRTC - Saratoga County Transportation Taskforce
  - o The Saratoga County Transportation Taskforce has a new AmeriCorps VISTA at Siena College, who held the most recent meeting. The taskforce is still operating with a focus on their previous priorities.