

## Planning Committee Meeting

May 4, 2022

### Meeting Minutes

#### Members Attending

Tina Carton, City of Saratoga Springs  
Mark Castiglione, Capital District Regional Planning Commission  
Ross Farrell, Capital District Transportation Authority  
Steve Feeney, Schenectady County, Vice-Chair  
Steve Iachetta, Albany County Airport Authority, Chair  
Patrick Jordan Esq., Albany Port District Commission  
Andrew Kreshik, City of Troy  
Joe LaCivita, City of Watervliet  
Sean Maguire, Town of Colonie  
Randy Milano, City of Albany  
Sandra Misiewicz, Capital District Transportation Committee, Secretary  
Lisa Ramundo, Albany County  
Bob Rice, NYS Department of Transportation Region-1  
Tom Richardson, City of Mechanicville  
Joe Seman-Graves, City of Cohoes  
Mike Valentine, Saratoga County  
Chris Wallin, City of Schenectady  
Adam Yagelski, Town of East Greenbush

#### Staff and Others Attending

William Anslow, Albany County  
Chris Bauer, Capital District Transportation Committee  
Jacob Beeman, Capital District Transportation Committee  
The Honorable Mike Butler, City of Mechanicville  
Joshua Carlsson, Town of Wilton  
Chris Cate, MJ Engineering  
Jen Ceponis, Capital District Transportation Committee  
Melissa Cherubino, Town of Glenville  
Joe Cimino, CHA Companies  
Peter Comenzo, Town of Rotterdam  
Don Csaposs, Town of Guilderland  
Kristin Diotte, City of Schenectady  
Anna Feltham, Town of East Greenbush  
Mark Hammond, Town of Malta  
Richard Harris, Town of Halfmoon  
Kelly Kircher, NYS Department of Transportation Region-1  
Elizabeth Kormos, Village of Ballston Spa  
Teresa LaSalle, Capital District Transportation Committee  
Rob Leslie, Town of Bethlehem

Stephen Maples, Capital District Transportation Committee  
Fred Mastroianni, Greenman-Pedersen, Inc.  
Lyn Murphy, Town of Halfmoon  
Caitlin O'Brien, Albany County Legislature  
Jaime O'Neill, Town of Malta  
Jeff Pangburn, Creighton Manning  
George Penn, Albany County Executive's Office  
Ryan Riper, Town of Wilton  
John Scavo, Town of Clifton Park  
Melissa Shanley, Capital District Transportation Authority  
The Honorable Tom Tobin, Village of Colonie  
Andrew Tracy, Capital District Transportation Committee  
Carrie Ward, Capital District Transportation Committee  
Greg Wichser, NYS Department of Transportation Region-1

## **Introduction**

Steve Iachetta opened the meeting at approximately 9:30 AM.

## **Visitor's Issues**

There were no visitor's issues.

## **Administration**

### **Previous Meeting Minutes – April 27, 2022**

Bob Rice motioned to approve the April 27, 2022 minutes, Patrick Jordan seconded, and members approved the motion.

### **Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Fiscal Constraint – Summary Table 4**

Jacob Beeman, no recent changes to fiscal constraint and that the TIP is under-programmed in all four years.

## **Action Items**

### **Draft 2021-2022 Progress and Expenditure Report**

Sandra Misiewicz noted that the report documents progress for the FTA and FHWA. Much effort went into developing the TIP as well as a new work program. One linkage study and three technical assistance projects were completed. Sandra outlined progress on several planning tasks.

Lisa Ramundo motioned to recommend the draft report as presented for Policy Board approval, Pat Jordan seconded, and members approved the motion.

### **2022-2023 UPWP Amendment**

Sandra Misiewicz noted that this amendment accounts for final FTA planning funds, reflecting an increase of about \$107,000 as a result of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law. Sandra outlined which task lines were rebalanced with the new funding. Ross Farrell motioned to approve the UPWP amendment as presented, Bob Rice seconded, and members approved the motion.

### **Capital Coexist Solicitation**

#### **Traffic Safety Ambassador Program**

Jen Ceponis noted that this year's program includes \$20,000 for local governments to implement traffic demonstration projects, and \$15,000 for local law enforcement agencies for outreach on traffic safety. Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis until funds are exhausted. Adam Yagelski motioned to approve the described \$35,000 in planning funds for the Capital Coexist Solicitation as presented, Joe Seman-Graves seconded, and members approved the motion.

### **2019-2024 Transportation Improvement Program Amendments**

1. A609, 1051.88, Engineering Feasibility and Planning Study for Reimagining the I-787 Corridor, City of Albany, Albany County

Bob Rice noted that there were \$5M included in the state budget for a new study to advance the recommendations from the previous CDTC study. It will have a significant focus on the waterfront in Albany, as well as railroad operations, and connections to the Dunn Bridge as well as waterfront access in other areas of the corridor. This amendment is to add the study to the TIP, using funding from statewide flex funds. Patrick Jordan motioned to recommend the amendment for Policy Board approval, Andrew Kreshik seconded, and members approved the motion.

2. RG130, CDTC.32, Travel Demand Management & Multimodal Set-aside, Regional Transit

3. T108, CDTC108, TDM Multimodal Implementation, Regional Transit

Regarding amendments #2 and #3, Ross Farrell noted that the remainder of funding in RG130 will be drawn down to T108. Bob Rice motioned to approve the two amendments as presented, Lisa Ramundo seconded, and members approved the motion.

4. T6b, Star Buses Replacement and Expansion, Regional Transit

5. T11, Passenger Facility Improvements at Various Locations, Regional Transit

6. T14B, Preventative Maintenance for Saratoga, Regional Transit

7. T16, Transit Support Vehicles, Regional Transit

8. T17, Transit Bus Replacement / Expansion, Regional Transit

9. T57, Preventative Maintenance, Regional Transit

10. T138, PIN TBD, Facility Design, Regional Transit

11. T139, PIN TBD, Radio Equipment, Regional Transit

12. T140, PIN TBD FLEX Micro-transit Vehicle Replacement / Expansion, Regional Transit  
Ross Farrell noted that amendments #4 through #12 reflect FTA funding changes already approved by CDTA's board. Most of them focus on CDTA's fleet. The amendments will align the TIP with CDTA's budget. Steve Feeney motioned to approve the previous nine amendments as presented, Bob Rice seconded, and members approved the amendments.

### **2022-2027 Transportation Improvement Program Update**

Jacob Beeman summarized actions at last week's meeting. Today the Committee will move through the remainder of the intersection projects and the bike/ped projects. Prior to today's actions, Planning Committee approved about \$298M in multi-site projects and programs together with the list of first-cut projects out of a total planning target of about \$306M. If no first-cut projects are removed, this would leave about \$8M to program. The previous actions resulted in proposed programming of \$235M in DOT projects, \$56M in local projects including CDTA, and \$7 in HSIP set-aside.

There was discussion about including \$780,000 in design-only funding for the Albany Shaker Rd application from Albany County. Andrew Kreshik expressed interest in fully funding #93 instead of #21, and funding project #21 for design-only.

A number of applications under consideration were also submitted for TAP/CMAQ funding, which hasn't been awarded yet. In addition, NYSDOT has an ability to provide overmatch on their projects. Therefore, it was discussed to over-program by about \$8M, and hold about \$3M to address public comments, which would mean a program of about \$311M. Keeping all projects already on the first-cut list, this leaves about \$12M to fund in bike/ped and intersection safety.

Jacob Beeman brought up the list of bike/ped projects. Funding the first seven projects would amount to \$12.5M. Joe Seman-Graves advised that Cohoes would be amenable to removing its project, #9. Total is \$10.8M

Mike Valentine asked to remove \$3M from County sponsored projects to include the following for design only - to #82 \$0.5M, #83 \$1M, #73 \$0.5M, #89 \$0.5M and #66 \$0.5M. In addition, Rob Leslie offered that the Town of Bethlehem would accept design-only funding for the trail project.

In intersection/safety projects, programming the first three projects, #54, #90, and #93 would amount to \$10.5M.

As shown in the table below, Andrew Kreshik motioned to approve the following projects to the first-cut list: #75, #18, #20, #15, #72 design only, #74 design only, #66 design only, #54, #90, #93,

#82 design only, #83 Design, #73, #89 design only, changing #21 to design only, #1 design only, Joe Seman-Graves seconded, and members approved the motion.

Sandra Misiewicz noted that an additional meeting in May will be necessary. The next meeting will be May 18<sup>th</sup>.

Projects added to the previously approved first-cut list May 4, 2022:

Project ID	Sponsor	Project Name	CDTC Project Category	Cost (\$M) (Matched and Inflated)	Notes
75	Town of Glenville	Freemans Bridge Road Multi-Use Path Phase II	Bike/Ped BP	\$1.602	
18	City of Schenectady	Craig Street Connector	Bike/Ped BP	\$4.792	
20	City of Schenectady	Schenectady Park Connector Expansion	Bike/Ped BP	\$0.536	
15	City of Saratoga Springs	Pedestrian/ADA Traffic Signal Improvement project	Bike/Ped BP	\$0.107	
72	Town of Bethlehem	Cherry Avenue Extension Multiuse Path	Bike/Ped BP	\$0.409	Design Only
74	Town of East Greenbush	Gilligan Road Sidepath and Multimodal Enhancements Project	Bike/Ped BP	\$0.286	Design Only
66*	Saratoga County	Zim Smith Northern Trail Extension	Bike/Ped BP	\$0.500	Design Only
54	Saratoga County	CR 109 Kinns Road-Plank Road Intersection Improvement	Intersection/ Safety BP	\$1.977	
90	Town of Wilton	Town of Wilton Traffic Safety and Pedestrian Connectivity Improvement Project	Intersection/ Safety BP	\$3.774	
93**	City of Troy	River Ferry Intersection	Intersection/ Safety BP	\$4.803	
82*	Town of Halfmoon	Intersection Improvements at NY Route 236 and Guideboard Road (CR 94)	Intersection/ Safety BP	\$0.500	Design Only
83*	Town of Malta	East Line Road and Route 67 Roundabout Project	Intersection/ Safety BP	\$1.000	Design Only
73*	Town of Clifton Park	NY Route 146 Miller Road and Tanner Rd and NY Route 146 Waite Road Intersection Improvements	Intersection/ Safety BP	\$0.500	Design Only
89*	Town of Wilton	NY 50 Safety Improvements	Intersection/ Safety BP	\$0.500	Design Only
21**	City of Troy	Federal Street Corridor Improvements	Pavement BP	\$0.668	Design Only*

Project ID	Sponsor	Project Name	CDTC Project Category	Cost (\$M) (Matched and Inflated)	Notes
1	Albany County	Albany Shaker Rd Corridor Enhancement	Pavement BP	\$0.780	Design Only

Notes:

- \*Saratoga County proposed to reduce the federal ask of one or more County projects previously proposed for funding by a total of \$3.000M, which would be redirected to design only costs for the following projects within Saratoga County: 66, 82, 83, 73, 89.
- \*\*City of Troy proposed Design Only funding for project #21 if project #93 was fully funded. Project #21 was previously proposed for full funding during the "First Cut" funding.

**Discussion Items**

**Section 5310: Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Program Update**

Carrie Ward advised that almost \$1.5M is available regionally, and we received eight applications totaling \$2.5M. The evaluation committee has reviewed the applications and is finalizing evaluations and rankings. Staff expects to bring a funding recommendation for approval in the next two months.

**Summary of 2019-2024 TIP Project Selection Moves**

Since the last meeting, there was one change, to a NYSDOT project description.

**CDTC Project Delivery Update**

There was no update.

**NYSDOT Project Delivery Schedule**

There was no update.

**Status of CDTC Planning Activities**

There was no update.

**Status of Regional and Local Planning Activities**

There were no updates on regional and local planning activities.

**Upcoming Meetings/Events/Deadlines**

Steve Iachetta referred to the meetings listed on the agenda. The next Planning Committee meeting will be held on May 18<sup>th</sup>.

**Adjournment**

Mike Valentine motioned to adjourn at approximately 11:54 am, Andrew Kreshik seconded, and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,



Sandra Misiewicz, AICP  
Secretary