

**EASTGATE REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS**  
**City Centre One Building - 100 E. Federal Street, Suite 1000**  
**Youngstown, Ohio 44503**  
**(234) 254-1508**

**MINUTES**

Technical Advisory Committee  
meeting held on October 3, 2019 at  
10:00 a.m. in Eastgate's office, City  
Centre One Building, 100 East  
Federal Street, Suite 1000,  
Youngstown.

**MEMBERS/ALTERNATES PRESENT**

Blasco, Kim  
Calhoun, Wade  
Green, Julie\*Coggins, Nicholas  
Makosky, Paul  
Noirot, Gery\*Bruner, Jim  
Olmi, Kristen  
Princic, Kurt\*Billet, Pat  
Salamone, Mike  
Shaffer, Gary  
Shasho, Chuck\*Karim, Jordan  
Svette, Zachary

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Ginnetti, Pat  
Harris, Dean  
Migliozi, Frank  
O'Shaughnessy, Mike\*Beniston, Krista  
Terrerri, Faith  
Wittman, Don  
Young, Aaron

**EASTGATE STAFF PRESENT**

Davis, Ed	Ragozine, Mark
Dyer, Stephanie	Rueberger, Luke
Esenwein, Joann	Sympson, Ken
Gollner, Jeffrey	Taylor, Grant
Mondok, Justin	Zook, Kathy
Pompeo, Lisa	Zubyk, Stephen

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Cizmar, Greg – Liberty Township  
Cleborne, Arnold – Liberty Township

Conti, Chris – SVATS MPO/MCRPC  
Faulkner, Robert – Trumbull County Transit  
Fercana, Terry - EDG  
Gerberry, Steven – Trumbull County Engineer's office  
Hughes, Brian – MS Consultants  
Kogelnik, Chris – CT Consultants  
Liszniansky, Emil – Envision  
Lowry, Sarah – Healthy Communities Partnership/Community Foundation  
Simon, Jack – Trumbull County Engineer's office  
Stewart, Matt – SVATS MPO/MCRPC

### **Call to Order**

Gary Shaffer called the meeting to order after it was established that a quorum was present, and then welcomed everyone to Eastgate for the October meeting of the Technical Advisory Committee. Those in attendance then recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **Approval of the Minutes**

Gary Shaffer entertained a motion for approval of the minutes of the Technical Advisory Committee meeting held on September 5, 2019. Motion was made by Zachary Svette. Seconded by Kristen Olmi. Motion carried unanimously.

### **Economic Development Update**

Mark Ragozine reported that Eastgate kicked off the process of updating the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) with the newly formed CEDS Advisory Council (CAC) which met for the first time on September 23, 2019. Eastgate is pleased about where this process is headed overall and will continue to provide regular updates on the progress of the CAC. Next he discussed the Economic Recovery Coordination Grant. Eastgate sent out the Request for Proposals (RFP) for an Economic Recovery Coordinator to develop and implement a strategy to recover from the recent closure of the General Motors (GM) Lordstown assembly plant. The coordinator will work with Eastgate, Cleveland State University, and local stakeholders while developing a plan to assist the Mahoning Valley in responding to the challenges ahead. Proposals will be accepted until October 18, 2019, and Eastgate looks to have a coordinator in place by the end of the year.

### **Appalachian Regional Commission Full Application Announcement and Allocation**

Kathy Zook provided an overview of General Policy Board resolution #032-2019 and Intergovernmental Review Resolution #035-2019 as well as a complete overview of the projects selected and the total project cost. She gave a description of the projects chosen and informed those in attendance that a workshop will be held on October 25, 2019 for grantees.

### **Ohio Public Works Commission Program Update for Program Year 2020 Funding**

Ed Davis provided an update on the OPWC program stating that the District 6 committee held a meeting in September and that Eastgate staff attended an OPWC leadership meeting with Trumbull County Engineer Randy Smith. The meeting included all the districts throughout the state. Some of the items discussed involved the different methodologies and the upcoming portal, where final applications will be submitted electronically. The first points meeting will be held Tuesday, October 15th at 9:00 am. The regional significance points meeting will be on Tuesday, October 29th at 9:00 am. The final confirmation meeting for this round of funding will be in November.

### **Updating the Safety Performance Measures**

Grant Taylor discussed General Policy Board resolution #033-2019 which states Eastgate will adopt ODOT's safety targets and performance measures. Eastgate will continue to look for and encourage projects in our planning area that will help meet ODOT's safety performance measures.

### **Fiscal Year 2021-2024 TIP Development**

Stephen Zubyk provided information regarding the application process of the Surface Transportation Block Grant Program, the Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Program, and the Transportation Alternatives Program. He informed the committee that recently received applications for these projects were being used to develop the FY 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program in the Spring of 2020.

### **Transportation Alternatives Program Applications**

Stephen Zubyk reminded the locals that applications were due for the Transportation Alternatives Program on October 25th. He showed members where to access the applications and provided insight into eligibility. He explained that applications were being accepted for FY 2022 and 2023 and that only construction funds could be applied for and would be covered at 80%. He also informed the committee that the scoring would be decided by a committee formed of representatives from the City of Warren, the City of Youngstown, the Trumbull County Engineer's office, the Mahoning County Engineer's office, Eastgate's Citizens Advisory Board, and ODOT District 4.

### **Fiscal Year 2019 Completion Report Summary – Summary of Products Completed During Fiscal Year 2019**

Ken Sympson reviewed the completion report listing all the elements and products completed in each element. The report is also on Eastgate's website.

### **Warren Parking Study – Preliminary Draft Presentation**

Luke Rueberger gave an update on the current draft of the Warren Parking Study, beginning with where the study area is located and how the CBD was divided up using TAZs, then moving on to how many on and off-street spaces there were within each lot and how they were identified. The study concludes with recommendations for improving parking management such as new signage for where people can and cannot park and to repaint the faded lines for both on and off-street parking.

### **Federal Highway Administration Multimodal Connectivity Pilot Update**

Justin Mondok reported on the Multimodal Network Connectivity Plan which is now in draft form and has been submitted to FHWA for review. The draft plan is available on Eastgate's Bike and Pedestrian Planning webpage and any comments on the document can be submitted to Justin Mondok (jmondok@eastgatecog.org) by Friday, October 25th. Staff reviewed the goals of the plan and detailed the results and recommendations identified in the study.

### **GPB Resolutions for Passage**

#### **GPB Resolution #032-2019**

Resolution recommending to the State of Ohio Governor's Office of Appalachia and Ohio Development Services Agency to support funding for the Eastgate Regional Council of Governments Local Development District full-application priority of projects in Fiscal Year 2020 for the Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC). Motion was made by Nicholas Coggins. Seconded by Zachary Svette. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **GPB Resolution #033-2019**

Resolution of the Eastgate Regional Council of Governments approving adoption of established statewide targets for Safety Performance Management Measures. Motion was made by Zachary Svette. Seconded by Mike Salamone. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **GPB Resolution #034-2019**

Resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2019 Unified Planning Work Program Progress Report of the Eastgate Regional Council of Governments. Motion was made by Zachary Svette. Seconded by Mike Salamone. Motion carried unanimously.

GPB Resolution #035-2019, IGR Log #19-009

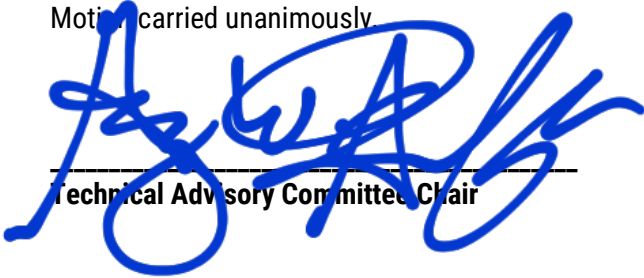
Resolution supporting through the Intergovernmental Review Process, full applications from the Eastgate Local Development District to the Governor's Office of Appalachia to support the Fiscal Year 2020 Priority of Projects for Mercy Health, Ashtabula County Airport Authority, Trumbull County Board of Commissioners, Village of West Farmington, Ashtabula County Board of Commissioners, and CASTLO (\$1,293,500). Motion was made by Zachary Svette. Seconded by Nicholas Coggins. Motion carried unanimously.

**Announcements**

There were no announcements.

**Adjournment**

Gary Shaffer entertained a motion for adjournment. A motion was made by Zachary Svette. Seconded by Jordan Karim. Motion carried unanimously.



Technical Advisory Committee Chair

11/17/19

Date Approved