

EASTGATE REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
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MINUTES

Technical Advisory Committee
meeting held on January 9, 2020 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
Harris, Dean
Ginnetti, Pat*Durbin, Bob
Green, Julie*Coggins Nicholas
Makosky, Paul
Migliozi, Frank
Noirot, Gery*Bruner, Jim
O'Shaughnessy, Mike*Beniston, Krista
Princic, Kurt*Orr, Greg
Salamone, Mike
Shaffer, Gary
Svette, Zachary
Young, Aaron

MEMBERS ABSENT

Calhoun, Wade
Olmi, Kristen
Shasho, Chuck
Terrerri, Faith
Wittman, Don

EASTGATE STAFF PRESENT

Ballone, Michele	Pompeo, Lisa
Davis, Ed	Ragozine, Mark
Dyer, Stephanie	Reyes-Chapman, Mirta
Esenwein, Joann	Rueberger, Luke
Gollner, Jeffrey	Sympson, Ken
Kinnick, Jim	Taylor, Grant
Mondok, Justin	Zook, Kathy
	Zubyk, Stephen

OTHERS PRESENT

Albrecht, Dennis - LJB
Bakalar, Dave – Thomas Fok & Associates
Burgoyne, R. Tony – GPD Group
Dockery, Michael – Austintown Township
Faulkner, Bob – Trumbull County
Fercana, Terry - EDG
Hughes, Brian – MS Consultants
Kogelnik, Chris – CT Consultants
Klecha, Dan – GPD Group
Maki, George – E.L. Robinson Engineers
Mascarella, Kim – Howland Township
McCartney, Rachel - YSU
McMurray, Marnie – Thomas Fok & Associates
Medina, Jesenia - DLZ
Pennell, Jordan – Senator Sherrod Brown’s Office
Phillips, Katie – Trumbull County Planning Commission
Rex, Don - FOMR
Simon, Jack - Trumbull County Engineer’s office

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 first meeting of the Technical Advisory Committee in 2020. 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 December 5, 2019. Motion was made by Zachary Svette. Seconded by Bob Durbin. Motion carried unanimously.

Election of Technical Advisory Committee 2020 Officers

Mr. Shaffer entertained nominations from the committee. Motion was made by Paul Makosky and seconded by Zachary Svette to re-elect Gary Shaffer as Chair and a motion was made by Paul Makosky and seconded by Bob Durbin to re-elect Kristen Olmi as Vice Chair. Zachary Svette made a motion to accept the two nominations, seconded by Nicholas Coggins. Motion carried unanimously to re-elect Gary Shaffer as Chair and re-elect Kristen Olmi as Vice Chair.

208 Plan Discussion

Stephanie Dyer reported that GPB Resolutions # 005-2020 and # 006-2020 are in the meeting packet for approval. There were no comments regarding the amendment. Resolution #005-2020 formally identifies established the Village of Sebring as the primary designated management agency for the 201 FPA. Resolution #006 formally establishes the Sebring 201 FPA. She also discussed Ohio EPA’s Draft Loading Analysis Plan for Tributaries to the Shenango River Watershed. This watershed includes the Pymatuning River, Yankee Creek, and Little Yankee Creek. The plan is a precursor to an Ohio EPA Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) plan.

ARC New Funding Opportunities

Kathy Zook provided a vast update on the Appalachian Regional Commission program administered by Eastgate. The topics covered were the 2020 ARC budget of \$175 million for the 13-state region, the focus of the program which will place an emphasis on the opioid crisis and the impacts on the workforce and broadband in rural communities. She also discussed the POWER program and to upcoming events that will be held in the ARC region.

OPWC Program Update

Ed Davis updated the TAC on the current round of OPWC funding. District 6 selected the projects for Program Year 34. There was a total of 44 grant projects, 7 loan projects, and 5 small government projects. Grant totals were just over \$10 million and loan totals over \$3.1 million. District 6 was also notified by the Ohio Public Works that changes to the district methodology will be required. Methodologies from the other 18 districts around the state will be reviewed and Eastgate will meet with committee members to discuss changes.

New Website Features

Jeffrey Gollner presented a new feature of Eastgate's website which now offers complete information on all of Eastgate's board meetings. You can find agendas, minutes, and resolutions discussed at each board and committee meeting.

Census – 2018 ACS Release and data.census.gov

Jeffrey Gollner provided information on the latest developments with the 2020 Census including the website providing the 2018 ACS data release, and how to use the new data.census.gov website. More Census updates will follow as we approach the date of the 2020 Census. Members were reminded of the importance of an accurate and complete census count as much of the data is used to obtain grants for our communities.

Draft of the Eastgate Safety Plan

Grant Taylor announced that the Plan is moving forward and provided an overview. The consultant is continuing to work through the components of the Plan which is in draft form on Eastgate's website for review and comment until February 16, 2020.

WRTA's FTA Section 5310 Program Designation Change

Mirta Reyes-Chapman discussed GPB Resolution #004-2020 stating that Eastgate concurs with the WRTA in the termination of their designated recipient status for FTA 5310 funds.

FY2018-2021 Transit TIP Amendment

Mirta Reyes-Chapman discussed GPB Resolution #003-2020 amending Eastgate's Fiscal Year 2018-2021 transit section of the Transportation Improvement Program to include Fiscal Year 2020 Section 5339 - Bus and Bus Facilities Grant Award.

Gohio Commute Program

Justin Mondok gave a presentation with the latest updates to the Gohio Commute program website including all the innovative approaches to reducing single occupancy vehicle travel.

Fiscal Year 2021 - 2024 TIP Development - STBG Projects Submitted

Stephen Zubyk presented the committee with GPB Resolution #009-2020 highlighting the 22 new projects being recommended for the development of the TIP. He then showed the committee the budgets for FY's 2020 through 2025 to provide an overview of how the projects fit into the current program.

Transportation Alternatives Program - Recommended List of Funded Projects

Stephen Zubyk presented GPB Resolution #008-2020 to the committee which includes a list of nine recommended Transportation Alternatives Program projects for funding, and explained that the TAP scoring committee met multiple times to discuss scoring the 15 applications received and had decided upon recommending the nine projects slated for construction in FY 2022 and 2023.

Executive Director Report

Jim Kinnick thanked the staff for the detailed information provided and thanked Gary Shaffer and Kristen Olmi for their

continued dedication and leadership to the Technical Advisory Committee. The then provided updates on Eastgate's 2020 Annual Meeting, reported that Eastgate intends to work on submitting a grant for the next round of funding for BUILD grants, and the Autonomous Vehicle Statewide Summit being held in Youngstown in July.

GPB Resolutions for Passage

GPB Resolution #001-2020

IGR Log #20-001

Resolution supporting through the Intergovernmental Review Process, an application by the Trumbull County Metroparks to the Clean Ohio Trails Fund to complete Phase IV of the Western Reserve Greenway (\$482,600). A motion was made by Nicholas Coggins. Seconded by Bob Durbin. Motion carried unanimously.

GPB Resolution #002-2020

IGR Log #20-002

Resolution supporting through the Intergovernmental Review Process, an application by the City of Girard to the Environmental Protection Agency for Fiscal Year 2020 Guidelines for Brownfield Cleanup Grants for site remediation of the former Ohio Leatherworks in Girard, Ohio (\$499,037). A motion was made by Zachary Svette. Seconded by Bob Durbin. Motion carried unanimously.

GPB Resolution #003-2020

Resolution amending the Fiscal Year 2018 - 2021 Transportation Improvement Program of the Eastgate Regional Council of Governments to add the Western Reserve Transit Authority Federal Transit Administration Federal Fiscal Year 2020 Section 5339 - Bus and Bus Facilities Grant Award. A motion was made by Zachary Svette. Seconded by Mike Salamone. Motion carried unanimously.

GPB Resolution #004-2020

Resolution of the Eastgate Regional Council of Governments concurring with the Western Reserve Transit Authority Termination of their "Designated Recipients Status" for Federal Transit Administration Section 5310 - Enhanced Mobility for Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Formula Grants Program for Mahoning County. A motion was made by Zachary Svette. Seconded by Mike Salamone. Motion carried unanimously.

GPB Resolution #005-2020

Resolution to amend the Areawide Water Quality Management Plan to designate the Village of Sebring as the Primary Management Agency for the Village of Sebring's 201 Facility Planning Area in accordance with Section 208 of the Clean Water Act. A motion was made by Zachary Svette. Seconded by Bob Durbin. Motion carried unanimously.

GPB Resolution #006-2020

Resolution to amend the Areawide Water Quality Management Plan to adopt the Village of Sebring 201 Facility Planning Area in accordance with Section 208 of the Clean Water Act. A motion was made by Zachary Svette. Seconded by Bob Durbin. Motion carried unanimously.

GPB Resolution #007-2020

IGR Log #20-003

Resolution supporting through the Intergovernmental Review Process, an application by the Ashtabula County Metroparks to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources Office of Coastal Management Assistance Grant Program for the Red Brook Metropark Habitat Restoration Project (\$60,000). A motion was made by Zachary Svette. Seconded by Bob Durbin. Motion carried unanimously.

GPB Resolution #008-2020

Resolution supporting the inclusion of new Transportation Alternatives Program projects to the Development of the

Fiscal Year 2021 - 2024 Transportation Improvement Program of the Eastgate Regional Council of Governments. A motion was made by Zachary Svette. Seconded by Mike Salamone. Motion carried unanimously.

GPB Resolution #009-2020

Resolution supporting the Inclusion of new Surface Transportation Block Grant Program projects to the Development of the Fiscal Year 2021 - 2024 Transportation Improvement Program of the Eastgate Regional Council of Governments. A motion was made by Zachary Svette. Seconded by Mike Salamone. Motion carried unanimously.

Announcements

Jeffrey Gollner of Eastgate announced two upcoming GIS workshops that Youngstown State University will be hosting. Eastgate will send the announcement with all information to TAC members for their information.

Adjournment

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

Technical Advisory Committee Chair

Date Approved