

MEMORANDUM

TO: GTC Planning Committee Members and Alternates
FROM: James Stack, Executive Director JS
DATE: February 3, 2022
SUBJECT: Proposed Council Resolution 22-1 (*Adopting the FY 2022-2023 UPWP*)

The following items are presented for your consideration:

1. Proposed Council Resolution 22-1 (*Adopting the FY 2022-2023 UPWP*)

Pending Planning Committee review and input on items 2 and 3 (below), GTC staff will finalize the *FY 2022-2023 Unified Planning Work Program* (UPWP) for GTC Board consideration and action on February 24, 2022.

2. Public Comments

The public review period began January 10, 2022 and ends February 8, 2022. As of February 2, 2022, GTC has received the following comments on the Draft *FY 2022-2023 UPWP*:

- I'd like to see electric busses
- Your Board of Directors should include one dedicated Cycling Representative. Not just elected officials and their automobile biased representatives.
- Task 5362: [The Last Mile (or less): Site Plan Review for Multimodal Transportation] please consider sheltered and secure bike parking options at transit termination points.
- Task 5540: [Complete Streets Program] please triple funding and include analysis of last five years of Complete Street implementation. This is a significant program and not taken seriously by planners.
- Task 8611: [Genesee-Finger Lakes Regional Freight Plan Update] Include a study on the impact of increased Truck traffic and the safety of cyclists on major arteries, ie Amazon warehouse transportation impact Bike planning needs to focus on Connectivity and not just serendipity of road improvements. There is no link of bike planning and economic development, why?
- Overall, I would like to see the UPWP plan be more proactive and show leadership in areas such as piloting technology as related to transportation. eg. Transport rural seniors and low income people using autonomous vehicles. Lastly, what does it take to get the first mile of a protected bike lane Installed anywhere in our Region?

GTC staff responded to the public comments received via email and/or through the PublicInput.com platform. Based on the public comments received to date, GTC staff is not recommending any modifications to the Draft *FY 2022-2023 UPWP*. Any and all additional

public comments received will be presented to the Planning Committee for its consideration at the February 10, 2022 meeting.

3. Draft *FY 2022-2023 UPWP*

The Draft *FY 2022-2023 UPWP* contains the program of planning activities that will be conducted under the auspices of GTC using federal transportation funds beginning April 1, 2022. The Draft *FY 2022-2023 UPWP* was presented at the January 6 Planning Committee meeting. The Draft *FY 2022-2023 UPWP* is available on the GTC website (<https://www.gtcmpo.org/February2022PCMeeting>) for reference.

Recommended Action:

Recommend action by GTC Board on proposed Council Resolution 22-1.

GENESEE TRANSPORTATION COUNCIL

RESOLUTION

Resolution 22-1 Adopting the *FY 2022-2023 Unified Planning Work Program*

WHEREAS,

1. The development of a Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) in conformance with federal guidelines helps consolidate and coordinate the transportation planning activities conducted by the Genesee Transportation Council (GTC) and member agencies;
2. The UPWP provides a mutually agreed upon document which identifies, at a minimum, federally-funded transportation planning activities to be undertaken in the Genesee-Finger Lakes Region (as the GTC Planning Area) during the program year, regardless of funding source;
3. The *FY 2022-2023 UPWP* specifically assigns planning task responsibilities to appropriate agencies and identifies the objective, process, schedule, products, proposed budget and source(s) of funds for each task;
4. The *FY 2022-2023 UPWP* has been developed in accordance with the regulations of the U.S. Department of Transportation which require a discussion of the important transportation issues facing the area to be used as the framework for selecting specific program activities; and
5. The *FY 2022-2023 UPWP* has been developed with full recognition of and responsiveness to related federal regulations and guidelines governing the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (FAST Act), Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21), the Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990, Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, *Long Range Transportation Plan for the Genesee-Finger Lakes Region 2045*, and *2020-2024 Transportation Improvement Program*, among others.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED

1. That the Genesee Transportation Council hereby adopts the *FY 2022-2023 Unified Planning Work Program* as the official UPWP for the GTC Planning Area in accordance with relevant sections of Titles 23 and 49 of the United States Code and the May 27, 2016 Metropolitan Transportation Planning Final Rule; and
2. That the Council authorizes the immediate filing of appropriate applications by the New York State Department of Transportation on behalf of GTC to the appropriate federal agencies, including that for Metropolitan Planning and statewide Planning and Research funds to FHWA, Metropolitan Planning Program funds to FTA, and any other such funds as may become available, for distribution in accordance with this UPWP.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned duly qualified Secretary of the Genesee Transportation Council certifies that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted at a legally convened meeting of the Genesee Transportation Council held on February 24, 2022.

Date _____

CHRISTOPHER REEVE, Secretary
Genesee Transportation Council