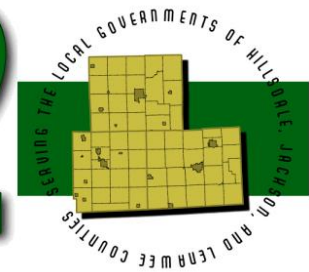


# Region 2 Planning Commission



## Jackson Area Comprehensive Transportation Study

### MINUTES

#### JACTS POLICY COMMITTEE

Jackson County Tower Building  
120 W. Michigan Avenue – 5<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Jackson, Michigan

**Thursday, February 20, 2020**

Members Present: Keith Acker, Sandstone Township  
John Feldvary, Jackson County Airport-Reynolds Field  
David Herlein, Spring Arbor Township  
Pete Jancek, Vice-Chair, Blackman Charter Township  
Angela Kline, JACTS Technical Advisory Committee  
Don Mayle, MDOT – Lansing  
Phil Moilanen, Jackson Area Transportation Authority  
Mike Overton, Jackson County Department of Transportation  
Laura Schlecte, City of Jackson  
Steve Shotwell, Chair, Jackson County Board of Commissioners  
Mike Trudell, Summit Township  
Bob Welsh, Region 2 Planning Commission  
Dan Wymer, Napoleon Township

Members Absent: Howard Linnabary, Leoni Township  
Pat Burtch, City of Jackson

Others Present: Joe Bentschneider, JCDOT  
Christopher Bolt, Jackson County Department of Transportation  
Mike Brown, Jackson Area Transportation Authority  
Tanya DeOliveira, Region 2 Planning Commission  
Jon Dowling, City of Jackson  
Steve Duke, Region 2 Planning Commission  
Bret Taylor, Jackson County Department of Transportation  
Kelby Wallace, MDOT – TSC

#### ITEM 1      CALL TO ORDER

Chair Shotwell called the meeting to order at 8:00 AM.

#### ITEM 2      PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comments were received.

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### ITEM 3      **APPROVE MINUTES OF THE POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING OF JANUARY 16, 2020 AND RECEIVE THE TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES OF JANUARY 15, 2020**

A motion was made by Mr. Wymer, supported by Vice-Chair Jancek, to approve the Policy Committee meeting minutes of January 16, 2020 and receive the Technical Advisory Committee meeting minutes of January 15, 2020 as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

### ITEM 4      **AGENCY STATUS REPORTS**

Project status updates were presented by the City of Jackson, Jackson County Department of Transportation, the Jackson Area Transportation Authority, and the Michigan Department of Transportation. The following project details were provided:

- City of Jackson – The traffic signal mast arms are being installed within the Greenwood / Jackson Street project.
- Jackson Area Transportation Authority – A summary of the Rides to Wellness program that JATA is considering was provided. JATA is investigating the feasibility of a new program that would provide comprehensive, non-emergency transportation that includes door-to-door service and same day service to riders going to medical or other health and wellness related appointments. The program would be similar to a successful program in Flint. A request for a “Mobility for All” pilot program grant through the Federal Department of Transportation has been submitted. Funding sources may include federal, state, insurance agencies, and other local sources. More information will be provided as it becomes available.
- Jackson County Department of Transportation – The construction phase agreements came in yesterday from Amtrak for the Michigan Avenue Bridge project in Parma. Work on the project should begin in April. The Laurence Avenue project will begin in Spring. All of the 2020 construction projects have their GI’s scheduled.
- Michigan Department of Transportation – Work on the I-94 Grand River bridge substructure continues. Beams are being set in March that would allow for a possible summer completion date.

### ITEM 5      **JACTS FY 2019 LIST OF FEDERALLY-OBLIGATED PROJECTS**

Ms. DeOliveira reported that the JACTS FY 2019 Obligation Report is now available, and has been posted online. The Federal Highway Administration requires the Jackson MPO to compile a list of current year obligated road construction and transit projects that received federal funding. Please contact Mr. Duke with any questions.

### ITEM 6      **APPROVAL OF AMENDMENTS TO THE JACTS FY 2020-2023 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP)**

Mr. Wallace reported that MDOT was requesting the following amendments to the JACTS FY 2020-2023 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP):

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FY	Job no.	Phase	Project Name	Limits	Length	Project Description	Funds	Fund Source	Amendment Type
2020	208524	CON	I-94	I94/US-127 North West Avenue Interchange	2.794	Freeway Interchange Reconstruction	Federal - \$0 State - \$78,000,000	State – RBMP	Phase Add
2022	210047	CON	I-94	Jackson/Calhoun County Line to Michigan Avenue	4.905	Concrete inlay, concrete pavement repair, cable rail installation	Federal - \$28,800,000 State - \$3,200,000 Total - \$32,000,000	Federal - IM	Phase Add
2020	209934	CON	Ganson Street	Ganson Street over the Grand Rive	0	Bridge Replacement	Federal \$1,053,768 State - \$240,390 Total I- \$1,317,210	Federal - HIPB	Phase Add
2022	127621	CON	I-94	Michigan Ave to M-60	7.583	Reconstruction (road) and Bridge CPM on 6 structures	Federal - \$2,212,430 State - \$86,523,082 Total - \$88,735,512	Federal –IM State - RBMP	CON phase now using RBMP funding for road items. Added 6 structures for proposed bridge CPM work. These items will be funded using IM
2020	129153	CON	I-94	At Elm Road	1.367	Reconstruct interchange	Federal - \$20,219,063 State - \$2,246,562 Total - \$22,465,625	Federal –IM	Adjusted CON phase budgets to get an increase in the CE budget that is 20% of the construction amount due to the Design/Build Requirement / Special Letting, Updated to October 30, 2020
2020	202121	CON	I-94 E	I-94 under Lansing Ave	0.464	Bridge replacement & freeway reconstruct	Federal - \$10,256,545 State - \$2,274,360 Total - \$12,530,905	Federal –IM	Adjusted CON phase budgets to get an increase in the CE budget that is 20% of the construction amount due to the Design/Build Requirement / Special Letting, Updated to October 30, 2020
2020	201001	CON	M-50	M-124 to Goose Creek	1.02	HMA Cold milling & single course overlay	Federal – \$777,902 State – \$172,498 Total – \$950,400		Due to ongoing StIP review & upcoming approval, letting date has been moved to April 3, 2020

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The motion was made by Vice-Chair Jancek, supported by Mr. Wymer, to approve the proposed MDOT amendments to the JACTS FY 2020-2023 Transportation Improvement Program as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

### **ITEM 7            CITY OF JACKSON / JACKSON COUNTY NON-MOTORIZED PLAN UPDATE**

Ms. DeOliveira reported that the final plan will be completed in the next few months. The Steering Committee will meet on Friday, March 6 to discuss the plan content and approve it for public input. They are reviewing the final draft plan before their March 6 meeting. The public and project stakeholders, like the JACTS Policy Committee members, will have a final opportunity to review and provide edits on the plan later in March. Notification that the public comment period has opened will follow from Ms. DeOliveira via email.

### **ITEM 8            JACTS NON-MOTORIZED CONSTRUCTION & DESIGN GUIDE REVIEW SERIES**

Ms. DeOliveira gave a brief presentation on the JACTS Non-Motorized Construction and Design Guide Review series. With the completion of the Jackson City and County Non-Motorized Plan happening soon, staff will be leading a review of a FHWA, MDOT and other agency guides that can be used to inform the design and construction of non-motorized facilities. The guides will provide an opportunity for local community leaders and staff to review information that will help enable Jackson to make good decisions about implementing the plan's recommendations.

### **ITEM 9            OTHER BUSINESS**

Mr. Wallace noted the following corrections to MDOT's upcoming public meetings:

- Public Information Meeting for the "Jackson and Mechanic Streets Railroad Bridge Replacement," project will be on February 26th, from 1:30 pm – 7:00 PM at the Christoff & Sons Public Room. Presentations on the topic will be made to the public at 2:00 pm and 6:00 pm.
- Public Information Meeting for the "*I-94 Corridor Open House*", April 7<sup>th</sup> will be at Noon-3 pm, 4-6 pm at the Blackman Township Hall. Presentations on the topic will be made to the public at 12:15 and 5:00 pm

### **ITEM 10            PUBLIC COMMENT**

No public comments were received.

### **ITEM 11            ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Vice-Chair Jancek adjourned the meeting at 9:00 AM.

Tanya DeOliveira  
Transportation Planner