

MINUTES

JACTS TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Jackson City Hall
161 W. Michigan Ave. – 2nd Floor
Jackson, MI 49201

Wednesday, February 5, 2025

Members Present: Charlie Briner, JCDOT
Robert Caldwell, JCDOT
Hunter Causie, JATA
Jim Cole, JCDOT (Alt.)
Jeff Crow, City of Jackson
Brett Gatz, Region 2 Planning Commission
Debbie Kelly, Accelerate Jackson County
Mark Kloha, MDOT – Statewide Planning
Jack Ripstra, Local Government Representative
Jenny Staroska, FHWA (Virtual)
Andrea Strach, MDOT – University Region
Kelby Wallace, MDOT – Jackson TSC
Troy White, City of Jackson (Vice-Chair)

Members Absent: Angela Kline, JCDOT (Chair)
Juan Zapata, Jackson County Airport

Others Present: Katie Miller, Region 2 Planning Commission

ITEM 1 **CALL TO ORDER**

Vice-Chair White called the meeting to order at 11:01 a.m. A quorum was present.

ITEM 2 **PUBLIC COMMENT**

No public comments were received.

ITEM 3 **APPROVE MINUTES OF THE TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING OF JANUARY 8, 2025 AND RECEIVE THE POLICY COMMITTEE MINUTES OF JANUARY 16, 2025**

A motion was made by Mr. Ripstra, supported by Mr. Briner, to approve the Technical Advisory Committee meeting minutes of January 8, 2025, and receive the Policy Committee meeting minutes of January 16, 2025, as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

ITEM 4 **AGENCY STATUS REPORTS**

Project status updates were presented by the City of Jackson (Mr. White), Jackson Area Transportation Authority (Mr. Causie), Jackson County Department of Transportation (Mr. Briner), Michigan Department of Transportation (Mr. Wallace), and Accelerate Jackson County (Ms. Kelly).

Jenny Staroska from FHWA also introduced herself to the committee and provided information on how FHWA can be used as a resource for local agencies.

ITEM 5 **APPROVAL OF AMENDMENTS TO THE JACTS FY 2023-2026 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP)**

The following amendments to the JACTS FY 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) were presented to the committee:

- Jackson County Department of Transportation
 - Budget change on a Road Capital Preventative Maintenance project on Moscow Rd for FY25, estimated at \$1,899,993.
- Michigan Department of Transportation
 - Addition of a Road Capital Preventative Maintenance project on M-106 for FY26, estimated at \$105,001.
- Adrian and Blissfield Railroad Company
 - Addition of a Railroad project on N Mechanic St for FY25, estimated at \$3,102.

A motion was made by Mr. Ripstra, supported by Mr. Brown, to approve the amendments to the JACTS FY 2023-2026 TIP as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

ITEM 6 **APPROVAL OF PROPOSED JACTS FY 2026-2029 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP) PROJECT LISTS**

The proposed FY 2026-2029 TIP project list for the Jackson Area Transportation Authority was presented. A motion was made by Mr. Ripstra, supported by Mr. Wallace, to approve the proposed project list. The motion carried unanimously.

ITEM 7 **OTHER BUSINESS**

Mr. Gatz proposed a meeting be held with the MPO Subcommittee to decide if the MPO wants to use Capped or Pro Rata for their budget. This meeting would also discuss the use of additional funds that the MPO currently has. A Doodle poll will be sent out to plan a meeting date.

ITEM 8 **PUBLIC COMMENT**

No public comments were received.

ITEM 9 **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Vice-Chair White adjourned the meeting at 11:25 a.m.

Brett Gatz, Recording Secretary
Region 2 Planning Commission