

**Poughkeepsie-Dutchess County Transportation Council
Executive Committee Meeting Summary [DRAFT]**

Tuesday, September 16, 2014 – 10:00 a.m.

Dutchess County Department of Planning and Development
27 High Street, 2nd Floor Conference Room
Poughkeepsie, NY 12601

- 1 - Roll Call:** Acting Commissioner of Planning and Development, Eoin Wrafter, opened the meeting and attendees introduced themselves. A copy of the attendance list is attached. Mr. Wrafter proceeded to the Public Participation portion of the meeting.
- 2 - Public Participation:** There were no comments.
- 3 - Adoption of Minutes:** The adoption of the Executive Committee minutes from Thursday, March 27, 2014 was moved by Mr. Hickman (Town of East Fishkill), seconded by Ms. Zulauf (Town of Beekman), and passed unanimously.

4 - Resolution 14-05: Allocation of Available Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2012 Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5307 Funds to Ulster County Area Transit (UCAT): An Agenda and Briefing Document were distributed to the Executive Committee prior to the meeting and additional copies were made available at the meeting. Included in the Briefing Document was Resolution 14-05. Mr. Debald (PDCTC) provided an overview of the Resolution which seeks to approve a temporary allocation of \$200,000 from presently unallocated Section 5307/5340 funds to Ulster County Area Transit (UCAT).

The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) apportions funds to Census-designated, urbanized areas for various transit-oriented programs. Historically, the FTA has apportioned the funds to the three-county (Dutchess, Orange, and Ulster) Transportation Management Area (TMA). However, the boundary of the urbanized area was expanded by the Census Bureau in 2013 to include areas of New Jersey. This has resulted in a delay in receiving FTA allocations as the states of New York and New Jersey have yet to agree upon the methodology of apportioning funds amongst themselves. In order to keep their programs functioning, UCAT has requested a loan from the unallocated reserve of 5307/5340 funds to support its FFY 2015 FTA grant application. Mr. Debald explained that Ulster County's future allocation of UZA 89 FTA funds for 5307/5340 programs will be reduced by \$200,000 to "pay back the loan" to the unallocated funding pool.

ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION 14-05: The adoption of Resolution 14-05 to temporarily allocate \$200,000 to the Ulster County Area Transit was moved by Mr. Hickman (Town of East Fishkill) and seconded by Mr. Oberly (Town of Clinton). The Executive Committee voted unanimously in favor to adopt Resolution 14-05, adopting Resolution 14-05 as presented.

5 - Resolution 14-06: Amendment to the Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2014-2018 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP): Mr. Debald noted that the Poughkeepsie-Dutchess County Transportation Council adopted a Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for FFY 2014-2018 on June 20, 2013 and explained that the Council must periodically amend the TIP to add, remove, or substantially change a federally-funded transportation project. Resolution 14-06 seeks to increase federal funding for an

existing City of Poughkeepsie bus project (8TRD89) for the purchase of two heavy-duty buses as part of the City's regular replacement program from \$0.800M to \$1.340M. Funds for this project are to be expended in FFY 2015 and include \$0.640M in FTA Section 5307 funding. In addition, Resolution 14-06 seeks to add one project, totaling \$1.862M, for the Dutchess County Division of Public Transit to purchase 13 medium-duty replacement buses (PIN 8TRD98). Funds for this project are to be expended in FFY 2018 and include \$1.490M in FTA Section 5307 funding. Mr. Debald stated that a 15-day public hearing was held from August 28-September 11, 2014 and no comments were received.

ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION 14-06: The adoption of Resolution 14-06 was moved by Ms. Gutzler (Town of Wappinger) and seconded by Mr. LaColla (Town of Fishkill). The Executive Committee voted unanimously in favor to adopt Resolution 14-06, to amend the FFY 2014-2018 TIP.

6 - Reports: Mr. Debald gave the Committee an update on current projects including the Pine Plains sidewalk study, the Coordinated Public Transit Human Services Transportation Plan, the Beacon Main Street Parking Study, and the Upper Route 9G Corridor Management Plan. In addition, Mr. Debald stated that staff is working to form an inter-departmental County Complete Streets committee to compliment and continue the work done on *Walk Bike Dutchess*. Mr. Debald also noted that a proposed set of revised bylaws will be discussed at the next Executive Committee meeting, likely in December. The revised bylaws include changes to TIP amendment procedures, updated terms and definitions, and updated membership based on the 2010 Census.

Mr. LaColla asked whether school districts were being invited to participate on the Complete Streets committee. Mr. Debald stated that the current strategy is to work with Dutchess County Departments, and then move forward to engage local communities, which could include schools and other groups.

7 - Other Business: Mr. LaColla asked Maria Chau of the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) about the status of future federal funding. Ms. Chau responded that it is uncertain; FHWA is waiting for an answer as well.

8 - Adjourn: Acting Commissioner of Planning and Development Wrafter thanked everyone for their participation and the meeting was adjourned at 10:16 a.m.

Meeting Attendance List:

	First Name	Last Name	Affiliation	Phone Number
1	Marc	Albrecht	MTA HQ	212-878-7082
2	Don	Beer	Town of Poughkeepsie	845-790-4736
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4	Randy	Casale	City of Beacon	845-838-5011
5	Maria	Chau	FHWA	518-431-8878
6	Joe	Chenier	City of Poughkeepsie	845-451-4215
7	Jennifer	Cocozza	PDCTC	845-486-3617
8	Brian	Coons	Town of Pine Plains	518-398-7155
9	Mark	Debald	PDCTC	845-486-3600
10	Bob	Di Bella	UCAT	845-340-3335
11	Dennis	Doyle	UCTC	845-340-3339

12	Emily	Dozier	PDCTC	845-486-3600
13	Blair	Goodman	Community Voices Heard	914-456-9472
14	Bill	Gorton	NYS DOT Region 8	845-431-7911
15	Barbara	Gutzler	Town of Wappinger	845-257-2744
16	John	Hickman	Town of East Fishkill	845-221-4303
17	Noel	Knille	DCDPW	845-486-2925
18	Bob	LaColla	Town of Fishkill	845-831-7800
19	Kevin	Newman	Community Voices Heard	845-559-7008
20	Ray	Oberly	Town of Clinton	845-266-5096
21	Cynthia	Ruiz	DCPT	845-473-8521
22	Emily	Svenson	Town of Hyde Park	845-489-2286
23	Tom	Weiner	NYS DOT	845-431-5723
24	Rad	Wilson	Village of Fishkill	845-897-4430
25	Eoin	Wrafter	DC Planning and Development	845-486-3600
26	Barbara	Zulauf	Town of Beekman	845-249-8448

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