

ULSTER COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COUNCIL
Policy Committee Meeting

Meeting Transcript
February 23, 2021
Meeting held via Zoom at 10:00 am

0:00:08.800,0:00:12.000

DD: So good morning everyone.
Welcome to the February meeting, the

0:00:12.000,0:00:14.960

Policy meeting, of the Ulster County
Transportation Council.

0:00:14.960,0:00:18.320

I'll call a meeting to order. Brian, if
you want to do roll call for me please.

0:00:18.320,0:00:23.039

BS: Certainly. I'm going to name uh go
through each municipality. If the voting

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member present could please state your
name after I

0:00:26.400,0:00:29.249

give your municipality. Ulster County

0:00:29.249,0:00:30.792

EP: Ed Pine.

0:00:30.792,0:00:32.280

BS: City of Kingston

0:00:32.280,0:00:34.193

JS: John Schultheis

0:00:34.193,0:00:36.332

BS: Town of Saugerties

0:00:36.332,0:00:38.071

VB: Vernon Benjamin

0:00:38.071,0:00:40.879

BS: Town of Ulster

0:00:41.200,0:00:45.600

BS: New York State Department of

Transportation

0:00:45.600,0:00:47.989
SJ: Sandra Jobson

0:00:47.989,0:00:50.000
BS: New York State Thruway
Authority

0:00:50.000,0:00:52.694
LP: Lizy Philip

0:00:52.694,0:00:55.920
BS: Village of Saugerties

0:00:57.600,0:01:01.039
BS: Alex I saw you on there but you might be
muted.

0:01:01.039,0:01:04.399
BS: uh Town of Rosendale

0:01:04.960,0:01:06.653
BS: Town of Lloyd

0:01:06.653,0:01:11.241
FP: Fred Pizzuto
and...

0:01:11.241,0:01:12.338
HL: Herb Litz

0:01:12.338,0:01:15.338
BS: Thank you guys. Uh Town of Plattekill

0:01:16.071,0:01:19.520
Village of Ellenville

0:01:20.080,0:01:21.438
Town of New Paltz

0:01:21.438,0:01:24.240
NB: Neil Bettez

0:01:24.320,0:01:26.025
BS: Town of Woodstock

0:01:26.025,0:01:28.137
BM: Bill McKenna

0:01:28.137,0:01:31.119

BS: Town of Rochester

0:01:31.520,0:01:35.840

And I see Mike is being, trying to get admitted. He keeps coming in and out of

0:01:35.840,0:01:38.320

the waiting room so we'll check him as present.

0:01:38.320,0:01:42.935

That's 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 members present.

0:01:44.157,0:01:50.560

DD: Okay we have a quorum then. Thank you. um is there anybody else on the call that we haven't

0:01:50.560,0:01:53.920

um that hasn't identified themselves? If they could identify themselves we'd

0:01:53.920,0:01:56.169

appreciate it.

0:01:56.169,0:01:58.453

KW: Kristen Wilson with the City of Kingston.

0:01:58.453,0:02:00.307

DD: Thanks Kristen.

0:02:00.307,0:02:05.520

AM: Anthony Mignone RCAL Resource Center for Accessible Living

0:02:05.920,0:02:09.372

GK: Greg Krupp City of Kingston.

0:02:09.372,0:02:12.800

GJ: Greg Jewell City of Kingston.

0:02:12.800,0:02:15.760

BS: Remember him Dennis?

0:02:16.480,0:02:19.766

AM: Amy Mackenzie New York State DOT

0:02:22.553,0:02:25.200

DD: Anyone else?

0:02:26.400,0:02:29.223

DS: We had a couple more just join.

0:02:29.223,0:02:31.247

JW: Jeanne Walsh here.

0:02:31.247,0:02:32.417

BS: Hi supervisor.

0:02:32.417,0:02:34.167

MB: Hi Dennis. Mike Baden.

0:02:34.167,0:02:36.460

DD: Thank you Michael.

0:02:36.460,0:02:39.290

HL: Herb Litts but I think Fred already clocked me in.

0:02:39.290,0:02:42.540

DD: Yeah we got him. We got you Herb.

0:02:42.540,0:02:43.460

BS: Great.

0:02:43.460,0:02:48.222

DD: Okay. Call for citizens comments. Are there any citizens comments?

0:02:53.360,0:02:58.480

Hearing none, approval of the September 22, 2020 Policy Committee meeting.

0:02:58.480,0:03:03.972

Do I have a motion for discussion purposes? State your name please.

0:03:03.972,0:03:06.640

MB: Mike Baden

JW: Jeanne Walsh

0:03:06.640,0:03:10.080

DD: So I have Mike as the first. Jeanne would you second?

0:03:10.080,0:03:11.088

JW: Yes

0:03:11.088,0:03:16.947

DD: Okay I have first and the second on the on the uh on on the minutes. Any discussion?

0:03:19.146,0:03:21.714

Any opposed?

0:03:22.959,0:03:26.000

Any abstentions?

0:03:26.319,0:03:30.640

So carried. Thank you. Communications and announcements, Brian?

0:03:30.640,0:03:34.319

BS: I don't have any major communications or announcements

0:03:34.319,0:03:38.319

at this time but we can run through a few updates

0:03:38.319,0:03:42.703

for business under project updates and there's a few items there.

0:03:42.703,0:03:46.364

DD: We did have one announcement come in and that's the infrastructure grants

0:03:46.364,0:03:53.519

BS: Yes, the federal Infra grants which is a um a very... it's kind of a heavy lift federal

0:03:53.519,0:03:56.879

aid transportation grant. I have not had the

0:03:56.879,0:04:01.200

opportunity to look over the details, but we did get noticed. It looks

0:04:01.200,0:04:07.760

like it's one of the first major DOT, Federal DOT uh grant initiatives by

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the Biden administration and the focus appears to be economic development uh

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with a specific emphasis on freight and ports.

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So, that is an update that we will be happy to forward to members if interested.

0:04:23.221,0:04:26.000

DD: Yeah, just so everybody knows the

0:04:26.000,0:04:28.639
applications are only due the 19th of
March. So,

0:04:28.639,0:04:32.639
I mean you've got a long time to think
about this

0:04:32.880,0:04:35.919
It's a bear of an application, you
also have to do

0:04:35.919,0:04:39.680
a cost analysis and they're expecting
you to have

0:04:39.680,0:04:45.840
um all of your NEPA approvals in place
uh at the time of the application or are

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scheduled to complete them and move to
construction obligation within 18 months.

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So, um it is an opportunity as they say.

0:04:57.238,0:04:59.441
Any other communications and announcements Brian?

0:04:59.441,0:05:01.318
BS: No none at this time.

0:05:01.318,0:05:07.242
DD: Okay. Moving to new business. Item A, UCTC resolution 2021-01:

0:05:07.242,0:05:11.952
The adoption of the
Ulster County Transportation Council's state fiscal year excuse me

0:05:11.952,0:05:18.880
state fiscal year 2021 Unified Planning Work Program. Do I have a motion for discussion
purposes?

0:05:19.440,0:05:20.993
VB: So moved.

0:05:20.993,0:05:22.794
DD: Please state your name. That was
you Vernon?

0:05:22.794,0:05:24.091

VB: Yes, Vernon.

0:05:24.091,0:05:26.406

DD: Thank you. Do I have a second?

0:05:26.406,0:05:27.963

NB: Neil Bettez.

0:05:27.963,0:05:32.720

DD: Thank you Neil. I have a motion and a second.

Any discussion?

0:05:34.080,0:05:38.400

BS: Um, we did have a 15 day public comment period. There were no comments submitted

0:05:38.400,0:05:43.759

to UCTC regarding the program and there were no significant revisions

0:05:43.759,0:05:47.520

affecting the draft budget figures within the program

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between the draft that was presented in January and this

0:05:50.960,0:05:54.080

iteration. We did improve some of the language

0:05:54.080,0:05:57.759

under one of the project descriptions for the

0:05:57.759,0:06:01.199

trail wayfinding plan is listed there. There's

0:06:01.199,0:06:09.520

an updated project description there and one final uh

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point of note this uh Unified Planning Work Program

0:06:13.520,0:06:20.639

is... will continue to be draft until
state fiscal year quarter four is closed

0:06:20.639,0:06:25.520
by UCTC at the end of March.
We will then be able to have an accurate

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balance. Um, I've in the past several years though

0:06:28.319,0:06:33.199
we've gotten pretty good at
projecting the q3 expenditure.. or the q4

0:06:33.199,0:06:36.720
expenditures to within just a few
thousand dollars

0:06:36.720,0:06:40.479
when our average uh reimbursement
requests are somewhere in the vicinity

0:06:40.479,0:06:45.120
of a hundred thousand dollars
total so as soon as that q4 is finalized

0:06:45.120,0:06:51.196
the UPWP will then be considered
final.

0:06:51.196,0:06:59.520
DD: Any other comments? Any other discussion?
Hearing none, any opposed?

0:07:00.080,0:07:04.888
Any abstentions? So carried. Thank you Brian.

0:07:04.888,0:07:06.812
BS: Thank you.

0:07:06.812,0:07:09.520
DD: Item B,

0:07:10.000,0:07:15.440
UCTC resolution 2021-02. It's the
amendment of the UCTC federal fiscal

0:07:15.440,0:07:20.319
year 2020-2024
Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

0:07:20.319,0:07:25.039
to add new NYSDOT project PIN number
846064

0:07:25.039,0:07:28.720
as shown in attachment one. Do I have a
motion for discussion purposes? Please

0:07:28.720,0:07:30.322
state your name.

0:07:30.322,0:07:31.558
VB: Vernon Benjamin.

0:07:31.558,0:07:34.645
DD: Thank you Mr. Benjamin. Do I have a second?

0:07:34.645,0:07:36.507
BM: Bill McKenna.

0:07:36.507,0:07:41.299
DD: Thank you Mr. McKenna. I have a motion and a second. Any discussion, Brian?

0:07:41.299,0:07:48.220
BS: Um the purpose of this TIP amendment
it's uh it's a full TIP amendment because it's a new PIN

0:07:48.220,0:07:51.726
to be added to our Transportation Improvement Program.

0:07:51.726,0:07:57.043
The addition or deletion of a PIN requires a full TIP amendment with 15 day public notice.

0:07:57.043,0:08:01.188
There were no public comments submitted
to us during the comment period

0:08:01.188,0:08:08.188
although we did have uh some discussion with the Town of Saugerties to clarify the purpose of
the project.

0:08:08.188,0:08:12.319
In just a moment I'm going to give the floor to Sandra
Jobson

0:08:12.319,0:08:16.319
at the New York State DOT to maybe
provide just a little bit more insight

0:08:16.319,0:08:20.639
to the project. But, as the project description shows

0:08:20.639,0:08:26.479
on the attachment in resolution 2,
this is for an intersection

0:08:26.479,0:08:30.319
engineering study.
Um, that is the purpose uh purpose of

0:08:30.319,0:08:33.279
this project at this time it was to
analyze

0:08:33.279,0:08:40.240
the intersection of Route 32 at the
Interstate 87 exit in the Town of

0:08:40.240,0:08:44.480
Saugerties to see if there
is any need for signal upgrades or

0:08:44.480,0:08:48.880
changes to that intersection.
Um, Sandra is there anything that you

0:08:48.880,0:08:52.085
might want to add at this time?

0:08:52.085,0:09:02.480
SJ: Um, no, just that we um pretty much completed the um review. Um I would say we finished
that

0:09:02.480,0:09:08.160
end of last year. What we're
looking to do this summer

0:09:08.160,0:09:17.440
is upgrade the signal equipment
that's there and then the long-term

0:09:17.519,0:09:20.959
finding, or even if you want to call it
recommendation, that came out of this

0:09:20.959,0:09:25.360
analysis was that, you know, a roundabout at that

0:09:25.360,0:09:28.959
location um would work. Um, but obviously that

0:09:28.959,0:09:34.720

would be a very costly project. Um So, this really,

0:09:34.720,0:09:38.560
this is for us to be able to use federal
funds on the analysis

0:09:38.560,0:09:40.803
that we've already completed.

0:09:42.024,0:09:47.189
DD: Thank you Sandra. Any questions or comments from them.. from the Council.

0:09:47.189,0:09:57.139
JW: Yes, Jeanne Walsh. I'm trying to understand, they did a study and then we need to do a
study too?

0:09:57.139,0:10:00.000
DD: No, this is paying for the study Jeanne.

0:10:00.000,0:10:02.778
JW: Oh, so they've already done it, we just have
to pay for it?

0:10:02.778,0:10:04.561
DD: That's correct.

0:10:04.561,0:10:07.519
JW: Okay thank you,

0:10:07.839,0:10:11.856
LP: This is Lizy Philip. Which exit number is
this off thruway?

0:10:12.711,0:10:18.079
DD: That's correct. It's on the uh
southbound exit for the Thruway,

0:10:18.079,0:10:21.360
the intersection of Route 32 in the
southbound exit of the Thruway

0:10:21.360,0:10:24.527
in Saugerties it's exit 20.

0:10:24.527,0:10:26.118
LP: Exit 20?

0:10:26.118,0:10:27.405
BS: Yes.

0:10:27.405,0:10:29.515

LP: Okay.

0:10:29.515,0:10:38.197

VB: It's Vernon. I uh, Saugerties uh welcomes this and uh we thank and congratulate the DOT on moving forward on it

0:10:38.197,0:10:44.826

and looking forward to a good resolution of this project in the time to come. Thank you.

0:10:44.826,0:10:45.859

DD: Thank you Vernon.

0:10:45.859,0:10:47.355

BS: Thanks Vernon.

0:10:47.355,0:10:50.000

DD: Any other comments?

0:10:50.000,0:10:54.527

LM: Hey this is Lance, sorry I'm joining a little late here but I did get an update from our traffic group.

0:10:54.527,0:10:58.901

I don't know if Sandra mentioned but we're hoping to have the three color signal operational this fall.

0:10:58.901,0:11:05.297

They are working on the PO and the implementation of the shorter term fix at this location.

0:11:05.297,0:11:08.000

DD: Thank you Lance.

0:11:08.240,0:11:10.880

Anything else?

0:11:12.560,0:11:16.880

Hearing none, any opposed?

0:11:18.000,0:11:20.959

Any abstentions?

0:11:21.519,0:11:23.487

So carried. Thank you.

0:11:23.487,0:11:32.560

Item C, UCTC resolution 2021-03: It's the distribution of the federal fiscal year 2021 federal transit section

0:11:32.560,0:11:37.040

5307/5340 urbanized area apportionments

0:11:37.040,0:11:41.200
attributable to the Kingston urbanized
area. Can I have a motion for discussion

0:11:41.200,0:11:44.560
purposes? Please state your name.

0:11:44.640,0:11:46.700
BM: I'll make a motion. Bill McKenna.

0:11:46.700,0:11:50.480
DD: Thank you Mr. McKenna. Do I have a second?

0:11:51.360,0:11:53.634
KW: Kristen I'll second.

0:11:53.634,0:11:57.686
DD: Thank you Kristen. I have a motion and a second. Any discussion, Brian?

0:11:57.686,0:12:04.639
BS: Yes this uh apportionment is again, as the resolution and description describes, for

0:12:04.639,0:12:09.200
federal fiscal year 21 and its dollars
attributable to the Kingston

0:12:09.200,0:12:14.720
Urbanized Area for transit operations
and eligible recipients include all

0:12:14.720,0:12:19.760
public transit agency operators
that operate within that urbanized area

0:12:19.760,0:12:24.800
and there is one and that is
Ulster County operating Ulster County

0:12:24.800,0:12:27.680
Area Transit.
The amount of money available during

0:12:27.680,0:12:34.368
this particular federal fiscal year
is \$1,039,578.

0:12:34.368,0:12:37.680
So, one hundred percent of those funds uh

0:12:37.680,0:12:40.959
can be given to Ulster County for the

purposes

0:12:40.959,0:12:44.880
of operations or capital.

0:12:45.279,0:12:48.959
DD: Yeah I would note that that's that's an
increase from where it was it was about

0:12:48.959,0:12:52.800
the \$900,000 - \$950,000 range last

0:12:52.800,0:12:56.320
last year. So, it is a slight increase
with respect to those those funds.

0:12:56.320,0:12:59.920
BS: Those are formula funds based on a
variety of factors

0:12:59.920,0:13:03.760
including um ridership.

0:13:04.639,0:13:09.360
DD: Any other discussion, comments?

0:13:10.560,0:13:14.880
Hearing none, any opposed?

0:13:15.760,0:13:20.506
Any abstentions?

0:13:20.506,0:13:22.171
So carried. Thank you

0:13:22.171,0:13:24.480
BS: Thank you

0:13:25.279,0:13:27.458
DD: I'm sorry, we're under other old business

0:13:27.458,0:13:28.274
DS: That's right.

0:13:28.274,0:13:33.391
DD: That was quick. Project updates Brian?

0:13:33.391,0:13:40.563
BS: Before I get into project updates, there are no real significant updates since our technical
committee meeting was held last month.

0:13:40.563,0:13:50.320

Um but more importantly I did want to provide an update to members regarding the UCTC call for bridge projects.

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Back just before the end of the year 2020 Ulster County Transportation

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Council created a call for projects for a

0:13:59.680,0:14:03.680

relatively small amount of federal bridge funds. It

0:14:03.680,0:14:09.760

was just under 2 million dollars in off system bridge funds. We made those

0:14:09.760,0:14:13.120

funds available to our members and we received

0:14:13.120,0:14:19.519

two applications to utilize those funds. One was from the Ulster County

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Department of Public Works and the other was from the Town of

0:14:22.720,0:14:28.240

Rochester. They're both good applications. We have not determined

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a uh an awardee at this time and that's still a subject of discussion.

0:14:35.040,0:14:37.760

Um one issue that has been raised is the

0:14:37.760,0:14:42.639

Ulster County DPW uh application and proposal was for

0:14:42.639,0:14:45.839

more dollars than is than what is available

0:14:45.839,0:14:52.639

on the UCTC TIP so that um is going to require discussion. Um

0:14:52.639,0:14:58.399
and uh otherwise we're continuing to
evaluate the merits of each proposal.

0:14:58.399,0:15:00.929
Dennis do you have anything else you
want to ask?

0:15:00.929,0:15:04.800
DD: No. Um I know that um both of these bridges
are

0:15:04.800,0:15:09.519
in need of repair and both of them can
can access the money and utilize it in a

0:15:09.519,0:15:12.720
timely manner so we do know that that's
the case.

0:15:12.720,0:15:17.360
So, it's not an issue with respect to uh
implementation of the project

0:15:17.360,0:15:24.399
um but I would also point out that.
Are there any comments on that?

0:15:25.600,0:15:28.720
All right. I would also point out and ask
Brian to talk about the Bridge New

0:15:28.720,0:15:31.920
York program which was announced but
perhaps Sandra would or Lance would like

0:15:31.920,0:15:32.972
to talk about the Bridge New York program.

0:15:32.972,0:15:38.320
BS: I'll gladly defer to New York State Department of Transportation

0:15:39.120,0:15:42.480
SJ: Yeah I would um, yeah I would just
encourage everyone

0:15:42.480,0:15:48.240
um to go visit the website. Um it's very,
you know, all of the information is there.

0:15:48.240,0:15:52.480
If anyone has any questions,
um the questions need to go through the

0:15:52.480,0:15:57.440
Bridge New York email address.

0:15:57.440,0:16:01.920
There were some training
opportunities that have already passed

0:16:01.920,0:16:05.199
but those have been recorded and posted
to the website.

0:16:05.199,0:16:08.737
So, you can take a look at those too.

0:16:08.737,0:16:13.680
DD: Thank you Sandra. Any questions on the Bridge New York program?

0:16:14.639,0:16:19.279
Any of the council members have
interest applying?

0:16:19.839,0:16:22.720
EP: Yeah Ed Pine at Ulster County. We're
going to be putting in one bridge and

0:16:22.720,0:16:25.360
one culvert.

0:16:30.160,0:16:33.279
NB: Neil from New Paltz. We we we're thinking
about putting a culvert

0:16:33.279,0:16:36.578
application in.

0:16:36.578,0:16:39.436
DD: Anyone else?

0:16:39.436,0:16:46.262
FP: Our highway superintendent's working on it uh right now. Uh we may have um one or two
uh projects going on.

0:16:46.262,0:16:49.269
Um I'll have to wait to hear back from Richie.

0:16:50.000,0:16:53.199
DD: Thanks Fred.

0:16:56.480,0:17:01.680

Anyone else? Okay. Good to know. Thank you.

0:17:02.480,0:17:06.640

DD: City's going to apply? Right, Kristen, John?

0:17:07.839,0:17:12.880

KW: Not that I know of but, John are we applying?

0:17:13.039,0:17:14.889

JS: I don't believe so.

0:17:21.025,0:17:22.255

DD: Okay

0:17:22.255,0:17:24.367

HL: Wurts Street bridge.

0:17:24.367,0:17:26.366

DD: I'm sorry?

0:17:26.366,0:17:28.085

HL: Wurts Street bridge.

0:17:28.084,0:17:35.769

DD: Yeah that's a, that's a packet of an application.

0:17:35.769,0:17:37.021

DD: Project updates Brian?

0:17:37.022,0:17:41.435

BS: Sure. Just a few uh planning project updates i'd like to give everyone:

0:17:41.435,0:17:46.988

Uh, the Ulster and Delaware corridor study uh in the Shandaken area is very much underway.

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We have um Barton and Loguidice is our engineering and planning contractor to assist us with that effort.

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Right now the technical advisory committee is reviewing the inventory of existing conditions as well as draft recommendations for that corridor.

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So, as soon as the technical advisory committee

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signs off on that report, they just
received it last week,

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we will make it publicly available
and also begin to schedule a public

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meeting and a public input
session to review that draft plan with

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members of the public.

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The uh, you may recall Ulster County
Transportation Council hosted a public

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meeting earlier this month. Uh first or second

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week in February regarding a the UCAT site

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selection and storage facility project.

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This is a planning study that we've undertaken
with UCAT with the assistance of the

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Passero associates out of Rochester, New York

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to analyze possible locations for a future

0:18:55.360,0:18:59.679
expanded storage facility for UCAT's fleet

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and there were two sites that we're
looking at. One being Golden Hill

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and the other being Tech City. The
the general recommendation in the

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final draft plan is that focus on Golden Hill

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and properties adjacent to the existing
facility

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if an expanded facility is constructed.
So, I would urge members if you're

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curious about the results of that study,
it is still

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open for public comment through Friday.
All the materials including a youtube

0:19:31.760,0:19:36.400
video of the public meeting,
the draft report, and some other

0:19:36.400,0:19:39.280
information is available on the project website. If

0:19:39.280,0:19:44.160
you just go to the UCTC home page
you can find it posted right at the top.

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So, I definitely urge you to check
that project out. The Long Range

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Transportation Plan revision, which is essentially it's

0:19:53.440,0:19:56.160
a reformatting of the existing report, is

0:19:56.160,0:19:59.919
very close to completion.
I'm looking really forward to getting

0:19:59.919,0:20:03.039
that out to members.
We're just doing a few final internal

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revisions. If you've ever worked on
reformatting a nearly 200 page report,

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the devil's definitely in the details.
It's a line by line revision process.

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We're also updating all the graphics and making

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sure that it's fully
ADA for the visually impaired

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um so that should be done um
within the next four to six weeks.

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Um, David, you want to give a quick update
on the crash analysis?

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DS: Sure. The crash analysis is ongoing we've
received um

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uh limited comments on the top locations
that we're planning on doing a more

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detailed analysis of
and we're going through uh, doing a

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sample.. an analysis for
the top location, the curve on 44/55

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to see if that's how we want to go and
then make some revisions potentially to

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that format
and continue on to the remainder of the

0:20:59.039,0:21:02.000
the demo locations that we're looking at.
So, the project's ongoing and still

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looking for a close out at the end of
April.

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BS: Thank you David. Uh, and then finally, our next project we have a draft uh

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request for proposals it's almost ready for publication.

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DD: It's actually out. The legal the legal notice is out. It'll be published on

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Wednesday or Thursday. Thursday in the contract reporter contract reporter.

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BS: Thank you. Um, so, that scope of work is uh conducting a um essentially

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a risk assessment of transportation facility facilities in Ulster County

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with regard to the subject of resiliency to

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natural and man-made disasters. So, that is a project that we've been talking

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about getting underway for many years now.

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We're really happy to finally get that out of the gate. So,

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we will hope to receive some good proposals

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from consultants and after we receive proposals we'll

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compile a selection committee to review proposals

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and also a technical advisory committee to guide project progress. That's a

0:22:06.080,0:22:07.590
14-month project

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DD: So, one of the things that you should know is is that
that RFP basically calls for a

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a digital report rather than um
rather than a a written or a

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a pdf so we anticipate that this will be
a map heavy report.

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Um and so we're moving we're going to
move to an all digital format for that

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report so that it will be a web-based a

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web-based report which is a little bit different

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than what you've seen but we've seen
some other

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examples of this and we think it will be
successful.

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So, there's a little bit difference
relative to the way that RFP is written

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um and we're looking for uh consulting
firms that have some experience in terms

0:22:52.400,0:22:56.880
of digital and web-based reports.

0:22:56.880,0:23:03.440
VB: Question. It's Vernon.
Do you have a time frame start to finish?

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BS: Well the.. I am anticipating

Vernon that the project will take us

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approximately 14 months to complete
and so that would mean that 14 months

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from the date of contract execution
and contract execution in Ulster County

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can take us.. uh you know after we have a selected um

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proposal it can take some time in June.
I'm thinking maybe,

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maybe we may make end of May but I'm
thinking it's probably some time in June.

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It's the... I anticipate the project cost
will be

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in excess of \$50,000 so we will need
um legislative approval for that

0:23:42.480,0:23:45.360
expenditure as well.

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VB: Thank you.

0:23:47.727,0:23:49.585
BS: You're welcome.

0:23:49.585,0:23:54.506
DD: Okay and I know David is working on, for the City of Kingston, I know David started work on
the uh

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the uh Rail Safety RFP and that would be the next one out the door. The Rail Safety RFP.

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BS: The only other item I'd.. While I have everyone's attention, we are scheduled to meet

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uh on March, 23. The UCTC Technical
Committee

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I believe we will have at least one TIP amendment

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at that meeting and also we may have some more FTA appropriation

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DD: The one last item of other old business would be to ask the

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communities.. members to start thinking about your

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infrastructure needs. Just, not only just, beyond not only just transportation but

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also other infrastructure needs um we would anticipate that uh,

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the, this administration at the national level will be

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looking at infrastructure funding coming up

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um and we should be ready for that. So, if you have any

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any projects that you, that you're thinking about that are

0:24:53.679,0:24:57.919

infrastructure related and now is a good time to start putting a list together.

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We would appreciate it if you would share that list back with the planning

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department. You can email me. Uh, the County is also in the process of

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putting lists together
with respect, to uh, with respect to needs.

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and these are, these are typical lists it's good to do

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them um even if we're, even if the funds
aren't available it's just good

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to take a look and see what

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um systems. I know New Paltz needs
uh work on its sewer lines, uh to dams

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for the City of Kingston,
uh to water water supply facilities. And,

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let's not forget the transportation

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facilities as well.

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Any other old business?

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KW: This is Kristen and I have a question. Um
have you heard anything

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about uh federal funding
um supplying more funding for

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maintenance activities of infrastructure?
Have you had any,

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gotten any, information about that or
heard anything about that?

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DD: Could you be more specific? I mean,
clearly there's funding available

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for certain types of maintenance
activities: replacement of sewer lines,

0:26:08.640,0:26:12.720
water lines, those kinds of things.
Do you have a specific maintenance thing

0:26:12.720,0:26:14.047
you're thinking about Kristen?

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KW: Yeah I was more thinking about maintenance equipment for our DPW to be able to
maintain some

0:26:20.559,0:26:24.320
of the newer infrastructure that we're
putting in in the City of Kingston.

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Um so, like um you know different kinds
of snow plows

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to plow bike lanes or or rail trails.
You know there are different kinds of

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equipment that might be needed to
maintain the new infrastructure and

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I was, I was on a webinar yesterday about
federal transportation funding and I

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I heard a little bit about that. But I
just wanted to know if, if anybody else

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had heard anything more because I know that's

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one of, at least for the City of Kingston, it's

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one of um, you know, one of our challenges is that

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once we put in this new infrastructure,
how do we maintain it with the equipment

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that we have?

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DD: Yeah, no we haven't heard anything but if we do we'll let you know.

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KW: Okay.

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DD: Anything else?

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Hearing nothing, can I have a motion to adjourn? Please state your name.

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HL: I'll make a motion for adjournment. Herb Litz.

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DD: Thank you Mr. Litz. We appreciate it. Do we have a second?

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BM: Bill McKenna.

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DD: Thank you Mr. McKenna. Any opposed? Didn't think so.

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So uh everybody stay safe hope spring gets here soon.

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HL: Yep please stay safe and be healthy take care.

0:27:40.202,0:27:49.840
Various: Thank you

Meeting concluded at ~10:30 am