

DRAFT RESOLUTION 2023-03

ULSTER COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COUNCIL

ALLOCATION OF PREVIOUSLY UNALLOCATED FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION (FTA) SECTION 5307 FORMULA FUNDS FOR REGIONAL TRANSIT PROJECTS

WHEREAS, the Ulster Transportation Council (UCTC), Orange County Transportation Council (OCTC), and Dutchess County Transportation Council (DCTC) have been designated by the Governor of the State of New York as the Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) responsible, together with the State, for the comprehensive, continuing, and cooperative transportation planning processes for their respective counties of the Poughkeepsie-Newburgh NY Urban Area; and

WHEREAS, the federal surface transportation programs that are the responsibility of the UCTC, DCTC and OCTC, are authorized by the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA or 'Infrastructure Act') (PL 117-58, November 15, 2021); and

WHEREAS, Section 5307/5340 formula funds have been apportioned by the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) to the Mid-Hudson Valley Transportation Management Area (TMA) for Federal Fiscal Years (FFY) 2020 and 2021; and

WHEREAS, the UCTC, DCTC and OCTC ("the TMA Transportation Councils") share responsibility for transportation planning and programming within the TMA; and

WHEREAS, the TMA Transportation Councils have considered the planning factors under 23 USC 135 (d)(1)(A-J) in reaching consensus in the methodology supporting the sub-allocation of FFY 2020 and 2021 Section 5307/5340 Urbanized Area Formula funds apportioned to UZA89 for the transit services within the three counties, and regional transit services as provided by the Metropolitan Transportation Authority and inter-county bus services; and

WHEREAS, "the preservation of the existing transportation system" and "enhancing the integration and connectivity of the transportation system, across and between modes, for people" and the State's goals of the "Mobility, Reliability and Safety" are reflected in the methodology; and

WHEREAS, the TMA Transportation Councils adopted a methodology for the distribution of Section 5307/5340 formula funding, which states that the TMA Transportation Councils may cooperatively agree to allocate, with or without competition, the unallocated funds in order to address identified regional transit needs based upon the guiding principles of the respective Metropolitan Transportation Plans, federal planning factors, and other plans and policies of the TMA Transportation Councils; and

WHEREAS, in response to a review of the capital needs of transit operators in the region; and

WHEREAS, the TMA Transportation Councils desire to maintain the delivery of transit services by designated recipients within Ulster, Dutchess and Orange Counties; and

WHEREAS, the three TMA Transportation Councils wish to allocate unprogrammed FFY 2020 and 2021 Section 5307/5340 formula funds; now therefore be it

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RESOLVED, the Ulster County Transportation Council approves the proposed distribution of FFY 2020 and 2021 FTA Section 5307/5340 formula funds as specified in Attachment 1.

CERTIFICATE, the undersigned, duly qualified Secretary of the Ulster County Transportation Council, certifies that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by a vote on April 25, 2023.

Date

By _____
Lance MacMillan, P.E., Secretary,
Ulster County Transportation Council

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ATTACHMENT 1

**Allocation of Unallocated FTA Section 5307/5340 Formula Funds in the
Mid-Hudson Valley Transportation Management Area**

Unallocated 5307/5340 Funding Available for TMA Programming

FFY 2020	\$3,213,930
FFY 2021	\$4,593,343
FFY 2022	\$5,152,374
Total Available for Programming	\$12,959,647

Allocation of Mid-Hudson Valley Transportation Management Area Section 5307 Funds

<i>Project Title</i>	<i>Sponsor</i>	<i>Award</i>
Bus Equipment, Bus Engine & Transmission Repairs, & Bus Shelters	Dutchess County Public Transit	\$2,480,000
Electric Vehicle Charging Equipment, Solar Panels, & EV Buses	Ulster County Area Transit	\$1,760,000
Total Distribution		\$4,240,000

Unallocated 5307/5340 Funding Remaining for Future TMA Programming

FFY 2021	\$3,567,273
FFY 2022	\$5,152,374
Total Remaining for Programming	\$8,719,647

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ATTACHMENT 1 (Cont'd)

Narrative Summary of Projects Proposed for Funding with Mid-Hudson Valley Transportation Management Area Section 5307/5340 Funds Reserved for Cooperatively Addressing Regional Transit Needs

1. Dutchess County Public Transit – Bus Equipment, Bus Engine & Transmission Repairs, & Bus Shelters

Dutchess County Public Transit (DCPT) submitted a total grant request of \$2.5 million to support three groups of projects: 1) Bus equipment (e.g., Computer-aided Dispatch and Scheduling-CADS software, an Automatic Vehicle Location-AVL system, new bus cameras, and new farebox collection equipment); 2) Bus engine and transmission repairs and replacements; and 3) Up to ten new bus shelters. These projects will improve bus operations and passenger safety. The TMA supports the total grant request.

Project Phase	Estimated Cost	Date	
	5307 Phase Cost	\$2.480 m	
Total Project Costs	Match Phase Cost	\$0.620 m	October 2023
	Total Phase Cost	\$3.100 m	

2. Ulster County Area Transit – Fleet Electrification

Ulster County Area Transit (UCAT) submitted a total grant request of \$1.8 million to progress its fleet electrification initiative. The mix of projects include the expansion of EV charging infrastructure at the UCAT bus facility (e.g., one 150KW cabinet and nine charging ports), rooftop solar panels at the UCAT facility, and the purchase of two EV cutaway buses. The TMA supports the total grant request.

Project Phase	Estimated Cost	Date	
	5307 Phase Cost	\$1.760 m	
Total Project Costs	Match Phase Cost	\$0.440 m	October 2023
	Total Phase Cost	\$2.200 m	