ULSTER COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COUNCIL Policy Committee Meeting

AGENDA

April 22, 2025 10:00 am to 12:00 pm Rosendale Town Hall 1915 Lucas Turnpike, Cottekill, NY 12419 - Rm M1

Join Zoom Meeting

https://ulstercountyny.zoom.us/j/85918377890?pwd=QxFB9aXjeMZkBwpTsKaMYQ9iDy gcVa.1

- 1. Policy Committee Roll Call Welcome & Introductions (10:00am)
- 2. Call for Citizen Comments
- 3. Approval of the February 25, 2025 Policy Committee meeting summary
- 4. Communications and Announcements

5. New Business

a) <u>UCTC Resolution 2025-07: Allocation of Previously Unallocated Federal Transit</u> Administration (FTA) Section 5307 Formula Funds for Regional Transit Projects.

In December of 2024, UCTC – in conjunction with Dutchess County Transportation Council and Orange County Transportation Council, in their cooperative functions representing the Mid-Hudson Valley Transportation Management Area – discussed release of unallocated Federal Transit Administration Section 5307 funds available to public transit providers operating in the Mid-Hudson Valley Transportation Management Area. Designated recipients in those planning areas submitted separate requests for unallocated 5307 funds to meet local capital and operational needs. Through mutual agreement, the MPOs have agreed to distribute **\$16.181 M** in unallocated FTA Section 5307 funds attributable to the Mid Hudson Valley TMA to various designated recipients in the Mid Hudson Valley Transportation Management Area as shown in Attachment 1.

Included is an award to Ulster County Area Transit; UCAT's request for unallocated FTA 5307 dollars in the amount of \$4.311 M for the purchase of four (4) Battery Electric Buses and new transit scheduling and routing software.

If approved, the Mid Hudson Valley unallocated balance will be reduced to \$767,777 available for future program for regional transit needs.

<u>**Recommended Action:**</u> Discuss Resolution 2025-07 and consider forwarding to the Policy Committee for consideration (15 minutes).

b) <u>UCTC Resolution 2025-08: Amendment to the UCTC Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2023 –</u> 2027 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to Add New Ulster County Area Transit (UCAT) PIN 8TU022 as Shown in Attachment 1.

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Draft Resolution 2025-08 will amend the 2023 – 2027 UCTC Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to add a new project programming Ulster County Area Transit's grant award as approved under UCTC Draft Resolution 2025-07.

New UCAT PIN 8TU020 will program \$4.311 M in previously unallocated federal FTA §5307 dollars attributable to the MHVTMA for the purposes of purchasing four (4) Battery Electric Buses and new transit scheduling and routing software. A required 20% state and local match in the amount of \$1.083 M is required; combined total project cost is therefore \$5.414 M.

Under UCTC TIP Amendment Procedures, any project to be added or removed from the UCTC TIP requires Technical Committee approval, 15 day public comment period, and final Policy Committee approval.

<u>Recommended Action</u>: Discuss Resolution 2025-08 and consider opening the resolution for public comment and forwarding to the Policy Committee for consideration (15 minutes).

c) <u>Resolution 2025-09: In Support of New York State Department of Transportation</u> (NYSDOT) Targets for Performance Measures Related to Bridge and Pavement Conditions on the National Highway System (NHS), and System and Freight Performance on the NHS.

23 CFR Part 490 states that all State Departments of Transportation and Metropolitan Planning Organizations shall establish performance targets for the following measures:

- Bridge Performance on the NHS;
- Pavement Performance on the NHS (by Interstate and Non-Interstate);
- System Performance on the NHS (by Interstate and Non-Interstate); and,
- Freight Performance on the NHS (for Interstate Only).

UCTC originally agreed to support NYSDOT's performance targets for each of the four performance categories above under Resolution 2018-15 and again under Resolution 2023-02. NYSDOT re-established their statewide performance targets for the period effective October 1, 2024. MPOs are required to either establish their own separate targets or recognize NYSDOT targets within 180 days of NYSDOT establishment. Resolution 2025-09 resolves that the UCTC again agrees to support NYSDOT's performance targets for each of the four performance categories as shown in Attachment 1.

<u>**Recommended Action:**</u> Discuss Draft Resolution 2025-09 and consider forwarding to the Policy Committee for consideration and adoption (30 minutes).

6. Other/Old Business

- UCTC 2026 TIP Update
- UCTC Year 2050 LRTP Update
- Project Updates
- Ulster County Traffic Safety Board scheduled for May 5, 2025

The UCTC Technical Committee is scheduled to meet on May 27, 2025.