TECHNICAL COMMITTEE  
Wednesday, November 7, 2018  
9:30 AM  
KENT COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION OFFICES  
COMMISSIONERS BOARD ROOM  
1500 SCRIBNER NW, GRAND RAPIDS

AGENDA

I. ROLL CALL AND INTRODUCTIONS

   Please refer to Item II: Attachment A

III. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

IV. FY2017-2020 TIP AMENDMENTS/MODIFICATIONS—ACTION: MDOT, Wyoming,  
   KCRC, Grand Rapids & Staff are requesting to amend/modify the FY2017-2020  
   TIP.  
   Please refer to Item IV: Attachment A

V. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PLAN—ACTION: The Committee will be asked to  
   recommend approval of the final Public Participation Plan to the Policy Committee.  
   Please refer to Item V: Attachment A

VI. TIP 2020-2023 DEFICIENCY LIST—I INFORMATION: MPO Staff will present  
   information about the Deficiency List.  
   Please refer to Item VI: Attachment A

VII. OTHER BUSINESS

VIII. ADJOURNMENT
DeVries, chair of the Technical Committee, called the meeting to order at 9:30 am. A moment of silence was held for Darrell Robinson. Those present introduced themselves to the Committee.

I. ROLL CALL AND INTRODUCTIONS

**Voting Members Present**

Rick DeVries *(Chair)*

Tim Bradshaw

Scott Conners

Art Green

Tim Haagsma

Wayne Harrall

Russ Hencken

Tom Hooker

Dennis Kent

Bill LaRosie

Brett Laughlin

Robert Maffeo

Terry Martin

Jeff Oonk

Steve Redmond

Liz Schelling

Brad Sherlow

Dan Strikwerda

Rick Sprague

Julius Suchy

Steve Warren

Rod Weersing

Chris Zull

**Proxy for**

Mike DeVries

Bill Dooley

**City of Grand Rapids**

City of Kentwood/Caledonia Twp.

City of Walker

MDOT/GRTSC

Gaines Charter Township

Grand Rapids Township

City of Wyoming

City of Wyoming

Byron Township

MDOT

Cedar Springs

Ottawa County Road Commission

MDOT

Carrier & Gable

City of Wyoming

City of Wyoming

MDOT

ITP-The Rapid

MDOT

City of Hudsonville

Kent County Road Commission

Village of Sparta

Kent County Road Commission

Georgetown Township

City of Grand Rapids

**Staff and Non-Voting Guests Present**

Michael Brameijer

Andrea Dewey

Andrea Faber

Abed Itani

Laurel Joseph

Tyler Kent

Norm Sevensma

Kelly Sheeran

GVMC Staff

FHWA

GVMC Staff

GVMC Staff

GVMC Staff

MDOT

RWBC/WMEAC

Algoma Township
II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

DeVries entertained a motion to approve the May 2, 2018 Technical Committee minutes.

**MOTION by Harrall, SUPPORT by Suchy, to approve the May 2, 2018 Technical Committee meeting minutes. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

III. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

No Comment.

IV. FY2017-2020 TIP AMENDMENTS/MODIFICATIONS

Referring to Item IV: Attachment A, Joseph explained that MDOT is requesting committee review of the trunkline action pending JobNet report to determine the appropriate amend/modify action for these items. MDOT is also requesting to amend an existing project and add it to the TIP illustrative
list. GVMC is currently looking at the JobNet reports to see what is pending and what needs to be done with those pending projects. Ottawa County is requesting to add a FY2019 project to the TIP that was approved through the Local Bridge Program. KCRC is requesting to move MDOT funded TAP project from FY2018 to FY2019 and requesting to add a new MDOT funded TAP project to the FY2019. Kentwood is requesting to add a SPRTS project to the TIP for FY2019 and the staff is requesting the review of the local/transit action pending JobNet report to determine the appropriate actions that need to be taken. L. Joseph asked the committee to review the items and advise if there are any action items.

Itani began to explain that MDOT migrated all the TIP projects from FY2017 to FY2020 from E-File to JobNet. The moving process did not go smooth resulting in a need for a reconciliation of what MPO was approved and amended from E-File to JobNet. Once everything is reconciled we will move forward with JobNet. The table was provided to the committee for each to review and make sure it is correct. Itani – also stated that D. Robinson was the primary contact on JobNet and the rest of the team is now learning. Should be good in a couple weeks.

Kent discussed that the sheets used to come in three different categories for MDOT, local and transit projects and listed all the changes that were occurring in the JobNet system. Which is good and bad because it shows all the changes, most are minor. Kent also stated that the projects in the TIP will increased in price in the next month or so. Will rise to the level of an amendment it’s just not programed yet. Discussed the I-196 Fuller east to I-96 junction bridge project, cost are going up. Kent in addition to that MDOT is asking to add an illustrative project to add the third east bound lane to connect Fuller Avenue with new EB M-44 off-ramp, possibly $5 million dollars. This project was already in the plan. Itani asked about the East bound lane being taken out for lack of funding. Kent discussed the separation of the east bound merging lane. Green followed up and explained the project.

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Laughlin explained the Ottawa County Barry Street Bridge project. Local Bridge Program project, would like to start this winter. It was selected from the 2015 call and was scheduled for 2018. This request was not forwarded and did not get into the TIP. Requesting to have it added to the TIP and begin February or March of FY2019.
Harrall discussed the Kent County Road Commission’s State funded TAP projects. The Caledonia Trail Phase 1B will be moving from FY2018 to FY2019 and the Pioneer Trail Phase 5, a funded FY2019 project was not in the TIP and needs to be added.

Joseph explained that the City of Kentwood was approved for a Safe Routes to School project which is a State run program and is there is not regional funding issues and need to be added to the TIP. Joseph added that the City of Grand Rapids was approved for Federal Aid and request to move a project from the Illustrative to the main body of the TIP in addition to other requests. Devries thanked the GVMC team, State and Federal Government on this change.

Dewely added the importance for the local agencies and MDOT review the new E-File version in JobNet to make sure the project information is accurate. Making sure no projects are held up by inaccuracies from the data migration.

Itani advised that the team will be double checking E-File and JobNet.

**MOTION by Conners – under authority for staff to make administrative changes based on their reconciliation and discussion with MDOT and local agencies, SUPPORT by Strikwerda, to approve the FY2017-FY2020 TIP AMENDMENTS/MODIFICATIONS. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

### V. APPROVAL OF REVISED POLICIES AND PRACTICES DOCUMENT

Referring to **Item V: Attachment A**, Itani explained that this is the document used to put the TIP into plan. After the certification meeting there was feedback that updates were needed, the main reason for updating the document is because of Performance Based Planning requirements. Safety, congestion, transit and bridge rolled into performance based languages and targets that we will utilize the future development of the TIP and the plan itself. In order for the TIP to be amended after November, the MPO has to adopt performance based planning. In some instances using the hybrid system proposed by the state otherwise the local system will continue to use Paser.

**MOTION by Laughlin, SUPPORT by Harrall, to approve the revised Policies and Practices document to the Policy Committee. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

### VI. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PLAN

Referring to **Item VI: Attachment A**, Faber discussed that GVMC is required to have a Public Participation Plan (PPP) that insures our public participation process is continuous and transparent. The PPP is updated at the beginning of the Metropolitan Transportation Plan development cycle.
Several changes were made in order to better reflect the current public participation practices of the MPO, advancements in technology, and recommendations from our recent certification review. The new information is highlighted in yellow. Requesting approval to submit to the Policy committee. Itani followed up with more in depth explanation of PPP. Faber added that if changes are needed to have them submitted by September 19, 2018.

**MOTION by Bradshaw, SUPPORT by Weersing, to approve the Public Participation Plan document to the Policy Committee. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**VII. PRESENTATION BY MDOT ON PERFORMANCE MEASURES**

Please refer to **Item VII: Attachments A and B**, Brad Sharlow from MDOT presented slideshow on the System Performance/Freight Performance Measure Final Rule and State Targets with a discussion on travel time reliability and congestion. Warren and Itani had questions on speed consistency, seasonal adjustments (driving slower in winter conditions) and data gathering time frames. Discussion ensued. Itani mentioned the reason for the rush request is because it has to be in place by November or it will impact the TIP and the Plan. Sharlow reminded the committee that by supporting the States targets puts the burden on MDOT, including reporting and monitoring. If it is decided to support your own targets then it is up to the individual to follow up on their own targets.

**MOTION by Harrell, SUPPORT by Zull, to except the System Performance/Freight Performance Measures Final Rule and State Targets. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**VIII. PRESENTATION BY GVMC ON PERFORMANCE MEASURES**

Mike Brameijer presented on pavement transportation Performance Measure state targets. The targets are for four years but can be adjusted after two. Brameijer notified the committee that by supporting the States targets puts the burden on MDOT, including reporting and monitoring. If it is decided to support your own targets then it is up to the individual to follow up on their own targets.

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Interstate NHS – PCM Targets
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IX. PAVEMENT/BRIDGE AND SYSTEM PERFORMANCE/FREIGHT PERFORMANCE MEASURE TARGETS

Please refer to Item IX: Attachment A, Joseph advised that there is no presentation on the bridge target just the newsletter in the agenda packet. GVMC recommends supporting bridge targets.

MOTION by Lauglin, SUPPORT by Conners to approve Pavement/Bridge and System Performance/Freight Performance Measure Targets and support of state targets. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

X. OTHER BUSINESS
Joseph GVMC is trying to finalize the future year data for travel model, if you have been contacted to schedule a meeting and have not responded to please do so. We are trying to get the data by the end of this month.

Joseph advised that transportation training, hosted by MDOT, will be held September 18th and will forward on the meeting invitation.

Itani we are starting the development process of the Plan and the TIP the goal is to have the TIP ready by October FY2019 and the Plan by April FY2020.

**ADJOURNMENT**

DeVries entertained a motion to adjourn the September 5, 2018 Technical Committee meeting.

*MOTION by Warren, SUPPORT by Haagsma, to adjourn the September 5, 2018 Technical Committee meeting at 10:52 am. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.*
MEMORANDUM

DATE: October 31, 2018
TO: Technical Committee
FROM: Laurel Joseph, Transportation Planner
RE: TIP Amendment/Modifications

MDOT, Wyoming, KCRC, and staff on behalf of KCRC/Nelson Twp and Grand Rapids are requesting to amend/modify the FY2017-2020 TIP. Here are the specific requests:

- MDOT is requesting the amendments/modifications to the TIP project list and GPA projects in the attached JobNet summary. Additional information regarding two of the recent modifications is provided in the attached memo (please see attachments).

- The City of Wyoming is requesting to move at regional TAP project from 2018 to 2019, which will not impact the funding of any other 2019 TAP projects, and requesting to formally add a regional TAP projects to the TIP in 2019 that recently received a conditional commitment from MDOT (please see attachment).

- KCRC is requesting to lower the budgets of two 2019 projects, move a 2018 projects to 2019 project using excess funds from the aforementioned two 2019 projects and add a local bridge project (please see attachment).

- Staff, on behalf of KCRC/Nelson Township and the City of Grand Rapids is requesting to formally add multiple regional TAP projects to the TIP, two in 2019 and one in 2020. These additions may increase the GPA threshold by 25%, requiring an amendment (please see attachment).

- Staff is requesting the review of the local/transit action pending JobNet report and GPA Thresholds report to consider amendments/modifications to the TIP project list and GPA projects. (Please see attachments).

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (616) 776-7610.
## S/TIP TOTAL PROPOSED COMMITMENTS - STANDARD REPORT

**Fiscal Year(s) : 2019**

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**Grand Total:**

- **Cost To Date:** $0
- **Let Date:** $0
- **Fund Source:** $64,333,061
- **Schedule Obligation Date:** $79,742,661
- **Actual Obligation Date:** $0

**Date:** 10/30/2018

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DATE: October 23, 2018

TO: Abed Itani, Transportation Director
    Grand Valley Metro Council

FROM: Dennis Kent, Region Transportation Planner
       MDOT/Grand Region

SUBJECT: FY 2017-20 MDOT TIP Revisions

MDOT is requesting the following Amendments, MPO Adjustments and/or Administrative Modifications to the GVMC FY 2017-20 MPO Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) project list and General Program Account (GPA) projects, on the attached JobNet summary and the proposed changes below, which are not included in JobNet at this time.

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These TIP revisions are the result of Statewide and Region, road and bridge program, cost and revenue modifications. Additional funding is being requested from statewide sources for the third lane on I-196 EB. Please amend and/or modify the GVMC FY 2017-2020 MPO TIP, to include these project revisions as needed. Feel free to contact me at 616/451-3091 if you have any questions.

Thank you for your consideration.

cc GVMC MPO Committees
    E. Mullen, MDOT
    T. Doyle, MDOT
    A. Faber/GVMC

    V. Weerstra, MDOT
    S. Rozema, MDOT
    A. Green, MDOT

    L. Joseph/GVMC
Laurel Joseph

From: Henckel, Russ <HenckelR@wyomingmi.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, October 30, 2018 10:01 AM
To: Laurel Joseph
Subject: RE: November TIP Amendments?

Laurel,
The City of Wyoming would like to request moving the TAP project, Inter Urban Trail Rehab project from 2018 to 2019 in the TIP. The project coordination with CE, finalizing the requirements of the license agreement are finally complete, but the schedule of the project must now push back to 2019. Landon Johnson of MDOT anticipates a January letting for the project and summer construction in 2019.

Additionally, the City of Wyoming has received a conditional commitment from MDOT for the Frog Hollow Connector Trail project. We would like to request that this project be formally added into the TIP for FY2019.

Thank you for all your help!!
Russ Henckel
City of Wyoming

From: Laurel Joseph [mailto:laurel.joseph@gvmc.org]
Sent: Monday, October 29, 2018 11:57 AM
To: Wayne Harrall (wharrall@kentcountyroads.net); Brett Laughlin (balaughlin@ottawacorc.com); Rick DeVries (rdevries@grcity.us); Scott Conners (sconners@walker.city); Henckel, Russ; Tim Bradshaw (bradshawt@ci.kentwood.mi.us); Liz Schelling (lschelling@ridetherapid.org)
Subject: November TIP Amendments?

All,

Please send the information for any TIP amendments you’d like to be considered at the November Committee meetings to me by midday tomorrow so I can finalize the memo for the Tech Committee packet.

Thanks!

Laurel Joseph, AICP
Transportation Planner
Grand Valley Metro Council
678 Front Ave NW, Suite 200
Grand Rapids, MI 49504
616.776.7610
laurel.joseph@gvmc.org
October 31, 2018

Ms. Laurel Joseph  
Grand Valley Metro Council  
678 Front Ave., NW, Suite 200  
Grand Rapids, MI 49504  

Re: 2017 – 2020 TIP Amendment

Dear Laurel:

The Kent County Road Commission (KCRC) hereby requests the 2019 TIP be amended to include the following revisions:

**Byron Center Avenue**  
Work: Resurfacing  
Location: 92nd Street to 84th Street  
Length: 1.0 Mile  
Federal Funds = $480,000 (currently $628,000 STP Urban)  
Local Funds = $120,000  
Total Cost = $600,000 (currently $800,000)

**Kraft Avenue**  
Work: Resurfacing  
Location: 36th Street to 28th Street  
Length: 1.0 Mile  
Federal Funds = $680,000 (currently $785,000 STP Urban)  
Local Funds = $170,000  
Total Cost = $850,000 (currently $1,000,000)

**10 Mile Road Bridge**  
Work: Preventative Maintenance (move from 2018 to 2019)  
Location: Over the Rogue River  
Length: 0.1 Mile  
Federal Funds = $253,000 (STP Urban excess from Byron Center Ave. & Kraft Ave.)  
Local Funds = $247,000  
Total Cost = $500,000
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76th Street Bridge
Work: Rehab / Widen
Location: Over Buck Creek (east of Clyde Park Avenue)
Length: 0.2 Mile
Federal Funds = $410,400 (Local Bridge Funds)
Local Funds = $21,600
Total Cost = $432,000

Please call me at (616) 242-6914 if you have any questions or need any additional information.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Wayne A. Harrell, P.E.
Deputy Managing Director – Engineering

WAH:kll

C: Steve Warren
   Jerry Byrne
   Tom Byle
   Tim Haagsma
   Rick Sprague
   Tom Hooker - Byron Township
   Ben Swayze - Cascade Township
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- Years: 2018, 2019, 2020
- MPO: Grand Valley Metropolitan Council (GVMC)
MEMORANDUM

DATE: October 31, 2018
TO: Technical Committee
FROM: Andrea Faber, Transportation Planner
RE: Public Participation Plan (PPP) Approval

Federal law, specifically Title 23, Code of Regulations, Part 450, Subpart C, Section 316(b)(1), requires an MPO to have a public participation process that is explicitly set forth and maintained. The Public Participation Plan (PPP) is reviewed at the beginning of the Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) development cycle.

In September 2018, Staff brought to the Technical Committee the draft PPP for consideration. Staff has reviewed the previous PPP and made several changes in order to better reflect the current public participation practices of the MPO, advancements in technology, and recommendations from our recent certification review. Some highlights include new sections on how public involvement is handled for GPA projects, a UPWP section, and how GVMC coordinates with Statewide public involvement efforts, such as the MDOT Five Year Program, Statewide TIP and State Long-Range Transportation Plan (SLRTP), as well as with other jurisdictions and organizations to keep the public informed. There is also more emphasis on using social media, video, email, and other technology to reach the public than in the previous Plan.

The PPP will conclude its required 45-day public comment period on Wednesday, November 7, the day of our Technical Committee meeting. At this point, four comments have been received (attached) during the comment period, and one comment was received in 2014 about using technology more in our public outreach efforts, which was considered as we revised the document. None of the comments have resulted in changes in the content of the original draft document that was presented in September.

**Recommended Action:** Staff is requesting that the Technical Committee recommend approval of the final Public Participation Plan to the Policy Committee. (Please note: Because the public comment period doesn’t conclude until the end of the day on

Item V: Attachment A
Wednesday, November 7, any additional comments received after the Technical Committee meeting will be brought directly to the Policy Committee on November 21.)
This GVMC FB seems out-of-date - I received a postcard about the Draft 2040 Metro Transportation Plan call for public comment... seems like you should be publicizing this heavily on FB and on your website.
Andrea Faber

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Good afternoon Andrea,

Thanks for getting this to me to review. After reading over it a couple of times, I’d say it seems like you thought of everything. I bet this was quite a journey to cover as many communication bases as you could with as much integrity as possible. Well done.

Nothing stands out to me as a glaring mistake or content discrepancy.

Will probably see you next Wednesday!

Kind Regards,

Kelly

Kelly Sheeran
Algoma Township Deputy Supervisor
dsupervisor@algomatwp.org
616-866-1583
616-433-1427  Direct
Andrea Faber

From: Ken Bergwerff <kbergwerff@twp.jamestown.mi.us>
Sent: Tuesday, September 25, 2018 12:45 PM
To: Andrea Faber
Subject: RE: Share Your Input on GVMC's Draft Public Participation Plan

Andrea,
I read a fair amount of the PPP draft and think you have done a very fine job with it. Thanks

Ken

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Ken Bergwerff
Supervisor, Jamestown Charter Township
2380 Riley St.
Hudsonville, MI 49426
616-896-8376 ext. 17

From: Andrea Faber [mailto:andrea.faber@gvmc.org@mail252.suw161.rsgsv.net] On Behalf Of Andrea Faber
Sent: Friday, September 21, 2018 11:20 AM
To: Ken Bergwerff
Subject: Share Your Input on GVMC's Draft Public Participation Plan
Andrea Faber

From: David Schroeder <dschroeder971@sbcglobal.net>
Sent: Monday, October 01, 2018 9:12 AM
To: Andrea Faber
Subject: Re: Input on GVMC's Draft 2018 Public Participation Plan

Andrea,

Thanks for the clarification. What you describe zeroes in on what I was asking. I'll watch for the information as you develop it. I really appreciate the hard work you're doing to insure good transportation here.

Have a great week!
David

David P. Schroeder
Consultation, Evaluation and Management Services
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From: Andrea Faber <andrea.faber@gvmc.org>
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Sent: Monday, October 1, 2018 9:01 AM
Subject: RE: Input on GVMC's Draft 2018 Public Participation Plan

David,

Thank you for your feedback. We regularly review our Public Participation Plan to gauge its effectiveness and will be looking at our attendance and public engagement rates and interactions going forward to see if the new strategies we are implementing in the revised plan lead to greater public participation. Public participation is something that GVMC strives to make continuous and transparent throughout the development of all of our major documents. Also, after the completion of all TIPs, MTPs, and Public Participation Plans, staff will generate a report that summarizes the overall number of public comments received, the estimated number of people reached throughout the public participation process, and the various tools that were used. This report is included as an appendix in the document. If you would like additional information about our public participation rates, please feel free to contact us at any time.

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Andrea,

I've reviewed the draft plan and find it, once again, to be thorough and focused. The outcome measures are one item that I would strongly encourage you to regularly report on during the plan's use. I would appreciate receiving updates on citizen participation as well as accomplishments by the community building an even more effective transportation system as management of transportation services in the GVMC region rolls out. I'm sure others here would also appreciate this feedback. Our community's continued success is dependent on good transportation. Your setting public education as a priority would help drive the process.

Thanks for the opportunity to share a thought on this topic.

David

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Dear Ms. Faber,
Thank you so much for sending the Word document to me. Unfortunately, the screen reader couldn’t read the document (maybe because it has images in it?), but when I clicked on the link "View as HTML" in the gmail program, I was able to read it just fine. I thought I’d let you know just in case any other screen-reader users have troubles with reading. Thank you again for all your assistance.

Most sincerely,
Christina Oakes

On 10/1/18, Andrea Faber <andrea.faber@gvmc.org> wrote:
> Hi Christina,
> > I’m sorry that the current format of the Public Participation Plan wasn’t screen reader friendly. Here is a Word version of the document.
> > Please let me know if there is anything else I can do to assist you.
> > Andrea
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> -----Original Message-----
> From: Christina Oakes [mailto:talmidatyeshua@gmail.com]
> Sent: Friday, September 28, 2018 4:23 PM
> To: Andrea Faber
> Subject: Re: Share Your Input on GVMC's Draft Public Participation Plan
> Plan
> Dear Ms. Faber,
> Thank you so much for sending this e-mail concerning the GVMC short-and long-term plans regarding public transportation. I’m having trouble, though, with reading the plan because it's not screen-reader-friendly in its current format. Would it be possible to send this document either pasted in an e-mail, as a plain PDF, a txt or Word document? Thanks so much for your consideration.
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> Most sincerely,
> Christina Oakes
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> On 9/21/18, Andrea Faber <andrea.faber@gvmc.org> wrote:
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> Grand Valley Metropolitan Council (GVMC) is seeking comment on its
This plan is the basic framework for GVMC’s public involvement process for our short- and long-range transportation plans for Kent and eastern Ottawa County. Comments must be received by Wednesday, November 7. Comments may be submitted by phone, mail, email, fax, through **gvmc.org**, or in person, and should be directed to:

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A hard copy of the draft Public Participation Plan can be viewed at our offices.

Individuals who are unable to view or read the document due to a disability or the need for translation services should contact GVMC no later than Wednesday, October 24, if they wish to comment.

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MEMORANDUM

DATE: October 31, 2018
TO: Technical Committee
FROM: Michael Zonyk, Transportation Planner
RE: TIP 2020-2023 DEFICIENCY LIST

For the past several months GVMC staff, in coordination with MDOT, and FHWA have been working on revamping the process of defining the TIP Deficiencies List used to program projects for our MPO. Rebuilding our Travel Demand Model to account for time of day analyses and adding key road characteristics to accommodate performance measures were notable undertakings as part of this process.

A copy of the Deficiencies List was recently supplied to our member jurisdictions as part of a call for projects for the 2020-2023 TIP on November 22nd. Included in the listing are characteristics on capacity, condition, and safety deficiencies with additional information related to federal performance measures, transit proximity, and the non-motorized plan.

GVMC staff will discuss some of the inclusions to the new Deficiency listing and present maps displaying these deficiencies in our MPO.

The official kickoff for the 2020-2023 TIP plan development is tentatively planned for November 07, 2018. This is a public announcement through the use of postcards, news outlets, and social media that precedes the programming of projects as part of our Public Participation Plan process.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (616) 776-7669.