

**ULSTER COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COUNCIL  
Policy Committee Meeting**

**A G E N D A**

**Tuesday March 14, 2017  
10:00 am to 12:00 pm**

**RONDOUT MUNICIPAL CENTER**

(Joint Rosendale/Marbletown Town Hall -- Former Rosendale Elementary School)  
1915 Lucas Avenue  
Cottkill, NY 12419  
**Room M-15**

**1. Policy Committee Call to Order – Roll Call (10:00am)**

**2. Call for Citizen Comments**

**3. Approval of the December 13, 2016 Policy Committee meeting summary**

**4. Communications and Announcements**

**5. New Business**

- a) **Resolution 2017-01: Approval of the SFY 2017/18 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)**. The Draft UCTC State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2017/18 UPWP has been completed. Staff presented the draft program to the Technical Committee at its meeting on 2/14; the Technical Committee recommended forwarding the draft to the Policy Committee for approval. The draft 2017/18 UPWP continues work commenced during previous UPWP cycles and adds 2 new projects for future programming and development. A third new project was added to the program after re-evaluation. A full summary of edits to the first draft as well as public comments received under 15 day public review and comment period is provided in the Agenda Supplement.

*Recommended Action: Discuss the Final Draft UCTC SFY17 UPWP, review public comments and revisions and consider approving Resolution 2017-01 for adoption (20 minutes).*

- b) **Resolution 2017-02: Ulster County Transportation Council Coordinated Public Transit-Human Services Transportation Plan (“Coordinated Plan”)**. The Technical Advisory Committee formed for the development of the Coordinated Plan has completed its work and submits the Final Coordinated Plan to the Technical Committee for review. The primary purpose of a Coordinated Plan is to identify the transportation needs of individuals with disabilities, older adults, and people with low incomes, provide strategies for meeting these needs, and prioritize transportation services for funding and implementation. In addition, the current federal transportation authorization act - Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act - requires UCTC to prepare a Coordinated Plan as a condition of applying for and receiving Federal funds under the Elderly Individuals and Individuals with Disabilities (Section 5310) program. The Coordinated Plan is therefore intended to act as a blueprint for implementing a range of strategies to improve transportation services in Ulster County. UCTC staff will provide members with an overview of project recommendations and next steps. Draft Resolution 2017-02 formally adopts the plan by UCTC. The full draft plan can be viewed on the UCTC website.

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*Recommended Action: Discuss the Final Coordinated Plan and consider approving Resolution 2017-02 for adoption (20 minutes).*

- c) **Resolution 2017-03: Amendment to the UCTC 2017 – 2021 UCTC Transportation Improvement Program.** At the request of the New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT) and Town of Shandaken, an amendment to the UCTC 2017-2021 Transportation Improvement Program is proposed, as a result of an award through the BridgeNY program. On January 18th, Governor Andrew M. Cuomo today announced \$21.8 million in funding to rehabilitate and replace 17 bridges and culverts across the Mid-Hudson Region. The funding, provided through Round One of the Governor's BRIDGE NY initiative, is part of a \$21.1 billion multi-year capital plan to upgrade critical roads, bridges, and other vital transportation infrastructure across New York State. \$855,000 has been awarded to the town of Shandaken for Peck Hollow Road over Peck Hollow Stream. In accordance with UCTC Operating Procedures, this TIP amendment received 15 day public notice and opportunity for comment; no comments were received.

*Recommended Action: Discuss the Resolution 2017-03 and consider adoption (20 minutes).*

- d) **Resolution 2017-04: UCTC Title VI (Civil Rights) Plan:** Resolution 2017-04 establishes an official Title VI Plan which recognizes UCTC's commitment to ensuring that no person is excluded from participation in, or denied the benefits of, its metropolitan transportation planning process on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, disability, or economic status, as protected by Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and related statutes and regulations. The Plan sets forth an official policy of UCTC compliance with Title VI and the process by which members of the public may submit complaints if they feel they have been discriminated against by the UCTC.

*Recommended Action: Discuss the Resolution 2017-04 and consider adoption (20 minutes).*

- e) **Resolution 2017-05: Distribution of the FFY 2016 Federal Transit Administration Section 5307/5340 Urbanized Area Apportionments Attributable to the Kingston Urbanized Area.** This resolution seeks approval for the apportionment of Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2016 Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5307 formula funds to the two designated recipients (DRs) in Ulster County: City of Kingston (Kingston Citibus) and Ulster County (Ulster County Area Transit). \$937,151 is available to DRs in the Kingston Urbanized Area in FFY2016. No final agreement has been made between DRs regarding the distribution of funds.

*Recommended Action: Discuss Resolution 2017-05 and consider adoption (10 minutes)*

- f) **Resolution 2017-06: Distribution of the FFY 2015 and FFY 2016 Federal Transit Administration Section 5339 Small Urbanized Area Apportionments Attributable to the Kingston Urbanized Area.** This resolution seeks approval for the apportionment of Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2015 and FFY 2016 Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5339 formula funds to the two designated recipients in Ulster County: City of Kingston (Kingston Citibus) and Ulster County (Ulster County Area Transit). A combined total of \$360,698.34 is available to DRs in the Kingston Urbanized Area. A portion of those funds was previously released in 2016 and split under UCTC Resolution 2016-13; no final agreement has been made between DRs regarding the distribution of the remaining funds.

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*Recommended Action: Discuss Resolution 2017-06 and consider adoption (10 minutes)*

- g) FFY 2016 Annual Obligation Report:** Federal regulations require an annual listing of transportation projects, including pedestrian and bicycle facilities, which Federal transportation funds have been obligated in the preceding year; 2016 report will be available for review.

*Recommended Action: Information and discussion only (10 minutes).*

**6. Other/Old Business**

- TAP
- Mid-Hudson Valley Transportation Management Area Regional Transit Plan
- Block Program Bridge and Paving PINs

**7. Adjournment.**

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**5. New Business**

**UCTC Resolution 2017-01: Approval of the SFY 2017/18 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP).**

Two (2) Public Comments Received During Comment Period:

**Brian Slack**

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**From:** Eileen Lubart <pol...@...com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, February 26, 2017 8:48 AM  
**To:** Brian Slack  
**Subject:** public comment on transportation planning

Good morning Mr. Brian Slack:

I appreciate the opportunity to comment regarding transportation future plans. Our community includes many seniors who have chosen to retire here having worked and lived for many years in Ulster county They have enriched this community. We need to make bus transportation, on a regularly scheduled route, more frequent and going through residential communities, like Rolling Meadows for example. Perhaps there are residents who no longer drive or don't want to drive. This would be in addition to scheduling special transportation for medical appointments.  
Sincerely yours, Eileen Lubart

**Brian Slack**

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**From:** David Gilmour <DGilmour@villageofnewpaltz.org>  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 02, 2017 12:36 PM  
**To:** Brian Slack  
**Cc:** Planning Department  
**Subject:** Village of New Paltz Comment on Proposed UPWP

Dear County Executive Hein, Ulster County Transportation Council Members & Staff:

As I noted at the Technical Committee meeting prior to commencement of the comment period for the proposed UPWP, the Village greatly appreciates UCTC's efforts to aid transportation planning in greater New Paltz. The MPO is expertly run and UCTC projects are essential to regional development.

For the record, it is also the Village's request not to reduce funding for Project 44.23.02-05: Walkkill Valley Rail Trail Streetscape & Gateway Enhancements – Part Consultant Study, as it could be detrimental to realizing a high quality product. This project is important to achieving a strong non-motorized and complete streets framework, complimentary infill and excellent non-motorized facilities service. We hope funding can be restored to continue at the same level as in the 2016/17 UPWP (\$161,250), not decreased 34% as listed in the Draft 2017/18 UPWP to \$106,000.

There remains strong interest in New Paltz regarding this transformative project.

Sincerely,

**David Gilmour, AICP  
Village of New Paltz Planner  
(845) 255-5758**

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Summary of Revisions to the Draft 2017/18 UPWP:

- Added new project

**44.24.04: Ellenville/Wawarsing Comprehensive Signage and Wayfinding Plan – Part Consultant Study**

This project seeks to develop a comprehensive signage and wayfinding system in the Town of Wawarsing and Village of Ellenville to enhance safe and efficient access to and between municipal parks and recreation facilities and key community assets.

<b>44.24.04: Ellenville/Wawarsing Comprehensive Signage and Wayfinding Plan</b>				
	<i>Federal Share</i>	<i>State Share</i>	<i>Local Share</i>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Total Project Cost</b>	\$32,400	\$6,075	\$2,025	\$40,500
	<b>\$30,000</b> available for consultant procurement			
<b>Deliverables:</b>	Final signage and wayfinding program			
<b>Schedule:</b>	New Project; September 2017 – September 2018			

Total project cost includes resources necessary to cover staff time, expenses and, if necessary, consultant procurement

- Recalculated Table 1 to show a revised FHWA Unprogrammed Balance of **\$331,856 (federal)** from previous estimate of \$268,976 (federal); this is due to formula error regarding 2016 Carryover of \$94,800
- Updated all figures to reflect changes in the program
- Minor edits and revisions to the narrative throughout