

RESOLUTION 2022-19

ULSTER COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COUNCIL

Amendment to the Ulster County Transportation Council State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2022/23 Unified Planning Work Program to Amend Project descriptions and Costs to Projects as Shown in Attachments 1, 2 & 3.

WHEREAS, the Ulster County Transportation Council (UCTC) has been officially designated as the Metropolitan Planning Organization for Ulster County and is authorized to amend the Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) as needed to add or delete projects and modify costs for federally funded planning projects; and

WHEREAS, Federal rules and regulations require that a Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) be developed and adopted by the designated Metropolitan Planning Organization; and

WHEREAS, the amendment to the UCTC 2022 UPWP has been requested by Ulster County Transportation Council in order to amend costs of an existing project using FHWA PL and local matching funds as detailed in Attachments 1 and to amend project description and costs of an existing project using FTA §5303 planning funds as detailed in Attachment 2; and

WHEREAS, amendments to the UCTC 2022 UPWP do not exceed the un-programmed fund balances available for future programming as detailed in Attachment 3; and

WHEREAS, for this proposed amendment, the UCTC, in cooperation with the New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT), has reviewed and documented compliance of its planning process with adopted UCTC Operating Procedures, UCTC public notice procedures, and all existing Federal rules and regulations, including The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act of 2022 (IIJA) requirements.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Ulster County Transportation Council adopts the Amendment to the UCTC 2022 UPWP as shown in Attachments 1, 2 & 3; be it further

RESOLVED, that the Policy Committee hereby authorizes and directs the MPO Director to modify the UCTC 2022 Unified Planning Work Program as shown in Attachments 1, 2 & 3.

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 November 22, 2022.

Date

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

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Attachment 1: Amend the 2022/23 UPWP to Revise Costs to FHWA PL Planning Project as Follows:

44.24.02: City of Kingston Rail Safety Program – Part Consultant Study

This project will seek to evaluate the safety of 6 at-grade rail crossings associated with the CSX West Shore Rail Line within the City of Kingston and promulgate recommendations for improvements. Crash history, train volume and frequency, delays to traffic and emergency response, pedestrian and motorist safety, intersection alignment, safety and warning equipment, alternative routing and detour analysis, and potential impacts to neighborhood quality of life will be considered. This project will build upon the foundation of knowledge established under previous UCTC studies focusing on Advanced Train Detection and Railroad Quiet Zone and Pedestrian Safety studies.

Amend Costs as Shown Below

44.24.02: City of Kingston Rail Safety Program – Part Consultant Study				
	<i>Federal Share</i>	<i>Local Share</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>State Soft Match</i>
Total Project Cost	\$69,500	\$3,658	\$73,158	\$10,974
	<i>\$65,000 available for consultant procurement</i>			
Deliverables:	Final rail safety study			
Schedule:	New project; completed in approximately 14 months from date of contract execution			

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44.24.02: City of Kingston Rail Safety Program – Part Consultant Study				
	<i>Federal Share</i>	<i>Local Share</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>State Soft Match</i>
Total Project Cost	\$158,215	\$8,327	\$166,542	\$24,981
	<i>\$149,215 available for consultant procurement</i>			
Deliverables:	Final rail safety study			
Schedule:	New project; completed in approximately 14 months from date of contract execution			

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Attachment 2: Amend the 2022/23 UPWP to Revise Costs and Project Description to FTA §5303 Planning Project as Follows:

44.27.07: Ulster County Transit Network Assessment – Part Consultant Study

The purpose of this effort is to explore opportunities for improving fixed route bus public transit in Ulster County. UCTC in partnership with Ulster County Area Transit (UCAT) will seek a consultant to provide planning, scheduling and routing recommendations that will improve system service efficiency and customer service. The effort will evaluate and utilize planning software platforms that can be used long-term by UCAT to assist in fixed route service planning and rapid demographic analysis. The software will ideally provide improved scheduling and routing options for UCAT’s existing fixed and paratransit routes as well as provide the ability to evaluate variables in service and schedule alternatives including microtransit service if one is developed. Finally, adapting the UCAT fleet to battery-electric-buses will continue to create routing challenges due to battery life and charging frequency, creating yet another variable that will require advance management capabilities.

Amend Project Description and Costs as Shown Below

44.27.07: Ulster County Micromobility Assessment				
	<i>Federal Share (5303)</i>	<i>State Share</i>	<i>Local Share</i>	Total
Total Project Cost	\$46,000	\$8,625	\$2,875	\$57,500
Deliverables:	<i>\$40,000 will be made available for consultant assistance</i>			
Schedule:	UCAT Microtransit report			
Schedule:	This project has not yet commenced; project duration estimated to be approximately 8 months upon contract execution.			

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44.27.07: Ulster County Transit Network Assessment – Part Consultant Study				
	<i>Federal Share (5303)</i>	<i>State Share</i>	<i>Local Share</i>	Total
Total Project Cost	\$142,375	\$26,695	\$8,898	\$177,969
Deliverables:	<i>\$133,500 will be made available for consultant assistance</i>			
Schedule:	UCAT Route Optimization Report and Software Recommendations			
Schedule:	This project has not yet commenced; project duration estimated to be approximately 8 months upon contract execution.			

Attachment 3: FHWA and FTA Fund Balances

	Existing Program	As Revised
FHWA Unprogrammed Balance	\$302,918	\$204,061
FTA Unprogrammed Balance	\$79,255	\$0