



Joel P. Ettinger
Executive Director

**MEETING SYNOPSIS OF THE JULY 28, 2011
PROGRAM, FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE MEETING**

A. CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS AND REPORTS

1. Welcome and Introductions

The New York Metropolitan Transportation Council's (NYMTC) Program, Finance, and Administration Committee (PFAC) meeting was called to order by Ms. Heather Sporn of the New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT). Ms. Sporn chaired the meeting on behalf of Mr. Robert Zerrillo, PFAC Chair. The committee members introduced themselves and a quorum was declared.

2. NYMTC Executive Director's Report (including Activities of the Transportation Coordinating Committees)

Mr. Joel Ettinger reported that the New York-Connecticut Steering Committee of the New York-Connecticut Sustainable Communities Consortium held their first meeting on July 15, 2011. He said that the meeting represented an important step in the development of the consortium to carry out the \$3.5 million USHUD Sustainable Communities Program grant. He said that PFAC would recommend the draft 2011-2015 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to the Council for adoption at the August 4, 2011 Council Meeting. He said PFAC would be asked to adopt the new transportation conformity determination to accompany the new TIP. He said staff of the Transportation Coordinating Committees (TCC) had been focused on the development of the TIP and he then thanked them all. He said the summary of the TIP actions of the TCC's since the last PFAC meeting was available on the sign-in table and on the NYMTC website at www.NYMTC.org.

B. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

George Haikalis, President of the Institute of Rational Urban Mobility, Inc. (IRUM) submitted the *attached statement* requesting NYMTC to table Resolution #328 that removes Access to the Region's Core project from the Regional Transportation Plan.

Jim Newell, Vice President of Operations of US Rail of New York (USRNY), submitted the *attached statement* requesting rail clearances on the Brookhaven Rail Terminal line, which would allow higher capacity and more efficient rail equipment to access the east of Hudson rail freight market and a broader array of commodities would be able to use the rail freight.

C. ACTION ITEMS

1. ACCEPT: JUNE 9, 2011 MEETING SYNOPSIS

A motion to accept the June 9, 2011 Meeting Synopsis was made by Mr. Kevin Olinger, representing the New York City Transportation Coordinating Committee, and seconded by Ms. Rona Moyer, representing the Nassau/Suffolk Transportation Coordinating Committee. The meeting synopsis was unanimously accepted.

2. ADOPT: RESOLUTION #327 – RECOMMENDATION TO THE COUNCIL TO ADOPT THE 2011-2035 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Mr. Gerry Bogacz, NYMTC's Planning Director, said the purpose of the resolution was for the Program, Finance and Administration Committee to recommend to the Council to endorse the 2011-2015 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) at the August 4, 2011 Council Meeting. With the help of slides, Mr. Bogacz explained the purpose of the TIP and the process of obtaining a TIP. The PowerPoint presentation can be found on the NYMTC website at WWW.NYMTC.ORG.

A motion to adopt Resolution #327, Recommendation to the Council to Adopt the 2011-2035 Transportation Improvement Program was made by Ms. Karin Sommer, representing the New York City Transportation Coordinating Committee, and seconded by Ms. Naomi Klein, representing the Mid-Hudson South Transportation Coordinating Committee. The resolution unanimously passed.

3. ADOPT: RESOLUTION #328 – RECOMMENDATION TO THE COUNCIL TO REMOVE THE ACCESS TO THE REGION'S CORE (ARC) PROJECT FROM THE SHARED VISION AND THE FISCALLY-CONSTRAINED ELEMENT TO THE 2010-2035 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN

Mr. Jan Khan of NYMTC staff said the purpose of the resolution was to ask the Program, Finance and Administration Committee to recommend to the Council the removal of Access to the Region's Core (ARC) from NYMTC's Regional Transportation Plan based on the State of New Jersey's decision to cancel the ARC project.

A motion to adopt Resolution #328, Recommendation to the Council to Remove the Access to the Region's Core (ARC) Project from the Shared Vision and the Fiscally-Constrained Element of the 2010-2035 Regional Transportation Plan was made by Ms. Rona Moyer, representing the Nassau/Suffolk Transportation Coordinating Committee, and seconded by Mr. Kevin Olinger, representing New York City Transportation Coordinating Committee. The resolution unanimously passed.

4 ADOPT: RESOLUTION #329 – AMENDMENTS TO THE 2010-2035 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN

Mr. Jan Khan said that the resolution represented amendments that were needed to be made to the financial analysis of the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP). He said the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) was an integral part of the RTP so when changes occur in the TIP, changes need to also be made in the financial analysis of the RTP.

A motion to adopt Resolution #329, Amendments to the 2010-2035 Regional Transportation Plan was made by Mr. Kevin Olinger, representing the New York City Transportation Coordinating Committee, and seconded by Mr. John Pilner, representing the Mid-Hudson South Transportation Coordinating Committee. The resolution unanimously passed.

5 ADOPT: RESOLUTION #330 – TRANSPORTATION CONFORMITY DETERMINATION FOR THE 2011-2015 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM AND THE 2010-2035 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN, AS AMENDED

Ms. Angelina Foster of NYMTC staff said that the resolution demonstrated NYMTC's compliance with planning and transportation conformity requirements. She said that NYMTC had coordinated the regional emission analysis for Transportation Conformity Determination with the Poughkeepsie – Dutchess County Transportation Council and the Orange County Transportation Council and all air quality and regulatory needs passed.

A motion to adopt Resolution #330, Transportation Conformity Determination for the 2011-2015 Transportation Improvement Program and the 2010-2035 Regional Transportation Plan, As Amended was made by Ms. Karin Sommer, representing the New York City Transportation Coordinating Committee, and seconded by Ms. Naomi Klein, representing the Mid-Hudson South Transportation

Coordinating Committee. The resolution unanimously passed.

6 ADOPT: RESOLUTION #331 – AMENDMENTS TO NYMTC STAFF PROJECTS IN THE 2011-2012 UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM

Mr. Stephen Hausch of NYMTC staff said that the resolution amended current and existing Central Staff projects in the 2011-2012 Unified Planning Work Program. He said amendments impacted the use of reprogrammed funds and did not require new funding. A detailed summary of the UPWP was provided on the sign-in table.

A motion to adopt Resolution #331, Amendments to NYMTC Staff Projects in the 2011-2012 Unified Planning Work Program was made by Ms. Rona Moyer, representing the Nassau/Suffolk Transportation Coordinating Committee, and seconded by Mr. Kevin Olinger, representing the New York City Transportation Coordinating Committee. The resolution unanimously passed.

7 ADOPT: RESOLUTION #332 – DISTRIBUTION OF SECTION 5307/5340 CAPITAL FUNDS FOR FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2011

Ms. Angelina Foster said that the resolution showed the apportioned Section 5307/5340 Capital funds to the urbanized area transit operations for federal fiscal year 2011. She noted that the New York, New Jersey and Connecticut agreed to the distribution and the chart showing the distribution split was attached to the resolution.

A motion to adopt Resolution #332, Distribution of Section 5307/5340 Capital Funds for Federal Fiscal Year 2011 was made by Mr. Kevin Olinger, representing the New York City Transportation Coordinating Committee, and seconded by Mr. Gary Lenberger, representing the Nassau/Suffolk Transportation Coordinating Committee. The resolution unanimously passed.

D. CONFIRMATION OF NEXT COUNCIL MEETING

The next Council meeting was confirmed to be held on Thursday, August 4, 2011 at 11:30 a.m. at the NYMTC Office.

E. CONFIRMATION OF NEXT PFAC MEETING

The next PFAC meeting was confirmed to be held on Thursday, July 28, 2011 at 1:15 p.m. at the NYMTC Office.

F. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned.

ATTENDANCE

Voting Members/Alternatives

Stephanie DeLisle, Metropolitan Transportation Authority
Patrick Gerdin, Rockland County Planning Department
Naomi Klein, Westchester County Department of Public Works & Transportation
Garry Lenberger, Suffolk County Department of Public Works
Rona Moyer, Nassau County Planning Commission
John Pilner, Putnam County Planning Department
Kevin Olinger, New York City Department of City Planning
Karin Sommer, New York City Department of Transportation
Heather Sporn, New York State Department of Transportation

Advisory (Non-Voting) Members

Mary K. Murphy, North Jersey Transportation Planning Agency
Alicia Nolan, Federal Highway Administration
Lou Venech, Port Authority of New York and New Jersey

NYMTC Staff

Afolabi Aiyedun	Lisa Daglian	Karina Jimenez
Olayinka Alamu	Joel Ettinger	Xavier Johnson
Sangeeta Bhowmick	Angelina Foster	Andrea Miles-Cole
Gerry Bogacz	Emma Gaitan	Chris Rodrigues-Moore
Ken Chin	Stephen Hausch	
Michael Chiume	Jan Khan	

OTHER

George Haikalis, IRUM
Ian Francis, NYSDOT
Ted Mills, US Rail of NY
Jim Newell, US Rail of NY
Karen Rosenberger, FHWA
Matt Rudikoff, US Rail of NY
Hilary Kitasei
Brian ten Siethoff, Cambridge Systematics, Inc.

This July 28, 2011 Meeting Synopsis passed unanimously by the voting members of the Program Finance, and Administration Committee at its September 15, 2011 meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

Andrea' Miles-Cole
Secretary 2- NYMTC