



Joel P. Ettinger
Executive Director

**MEETING SYNOPSIS OF THE FEBRUARY 21, 2013
PROGRAM, FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE MEETING**

A. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

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) on behalf of Ron Epstein, Chair of the PFAC, who was not able to attend the meeting. The committee members introduced themselves and a quorum was declared.

Ms. Sporn noted that a presentation on the proposed Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) would be seen and action would be taken by the members to recommend the UPWP for the Council's adoption that would take place on February 26, 2013 during the Annual Council Meeting.

B. NYMTC EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mr. Joel Ettinger noted that the Annual Council Meeting would take place on February 26th at the US Custom House located at One Bowling Green in lower Manhattan. He said that the theme would be "Planning for Resiliency" a topic that grew into great importance given the region's experience with Hurricane Sandy and its aftermath. He announced that the featured speaker would be the Federal Highway Administrator Victor Mendez and the keynote speaker would be Dr. Cynthia Rosenzweig, Senior Research Scientist at the Goddard Institute for Space Studies at Columbia University.

C. PRESENTATION

DRAFT 2013-2024 Unified Planning Work Program, Gerry Bogacz, NYMTC Planning Director

Mr. Gerry Bogacz, Planning Director, gave a presentation on the 2013-2014 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP). He said that the UPWP is a federally-required product for the metropolitan transportation planning process which brought federal planning funds into the NYMTC region to support staff operations, members' planning programs and professional services. He explained how NYMTC staff and its member agencies would utilize the funds and noted that the required core components included the Regional Transportation Plan, the Transportation Improvement Program, the UPWP, the Congestion Management Process and Transportation Conformity. A few highlights that were mentioned for the 2013-2014 program year were the New York-New Jersey-Connecticut Transportation Vulnerability Assessment and Adaption Analysis; the Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA) Long Island Rail Road and MTA Metro-North Railroad Origin-Destination Studies; the Hutchinson River Parkway/New England Thruway Corridor Study; and the Westchester Bee-Line Transit Improvement Studies.

D. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Mr. Matt Shotkin expressed that he was not happy with the fare hike proposed by the Metropolitan Transportation Authority. He also was not happy that he was not able to use his cell phone in the subway and said that Wi-Fi should be available to straphangers.

E. ACTION ITEMS

1. ACCEPT: JANUARY 24, 2013 MEETING SYNOPSIS

A motion to accept the January 24, 2013 Meeting Synopsis was made by Ms. Naomi Klein, representing the Mid-Hudson South Transportation Coordinating Committee, and seconded by Mr. Jack Schmidt, representing the New York City Transportation Coordinating Committee. There was no discussion. The meeting synopsis was unanimously accepted.

2. ADOPT: RESOLUTION #353 – RECOMMENDATION OF THE DRAFT 2013-2014 UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM FOR COUNCIL ADOPTION

Mr. Gerry Bogacz said the purpose of the resolution was so that the Program, Finance and Administration Committee could recommend that the Council adopt the draft 2013-2014 Unified Planning Work Program, which identified proposed funding for NYMTC's planning activities.

A motion to adopt Resolution #353, Recommendation of the Draft 2013-2014 Unified Planning Work Program for Council Adoption was made by Mr. Robert Brickman, representing the Nassau/Suffolk Transportation Coordinating Committee, and seconded by Mr. Patrick Gerdin, representing the Mid-Hudson South Transportation Coordinating Committee. There was no discussion. The resolution unanimously passed.

3. ADOPT: RESOLUTION #354 – AMENDMENT TO THE 2010-2035 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN TO INCLUDE A LISTING OF MAJOR TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS

Mr. Jan Khan of NYMTC staff explained that the purpose of the resolution was to amend the 2010-2035 Regional Transportation Plan to reference major projects that were identified as those funded by the Federal Highway Administration with an estimated cost of \$100 million or more.

A motion to adopt Resolution #354, Amendment to the 2010-2035 Regional Transportation Plan to Include a Listing of Major Transportation Projects was made by Ms. Naomi Klein, representing the Mid-Hudson South Transportation Coordinating Committee and seconded by Mr. Jack Schmidt, representing the New York City Transportation Coordinating Committee. There was no discussion. The resolution unanimously passed.

F. CONFIRMATION OF ANNUAL COUNCIL MEETING

The Annual Council Meeting was confirmed to be held on Tuesday, February 26, 2013 at 11 a.m. at the US Custom House located at One Bowling Green in lower Manhattan.

G. CONFIRMATION OF NEXT PFAC MEETING

The next PFAC Meeting was confirmed to be held on Thursday, March 21, 2013 at 1:15 p.m. at the NYMTC Office.

H. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned.

ATTENDANCE

Voting Members/Alternatives

Robert Brickman, Nassau County Department of Public Works & Planning
Jack Dean, 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
Jack Schmidt, 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

Valeriya Remezova, Federal Highway Administration
Lou Venech, Port Authority of New York and New Jersey
Matt Laurita, US Environmental Protection Agency

NYMTC Staff

Sangeeta Bhowmick	Maria Garcia	Larry McAuliffe
Gerry Bogacz	Anthony Gawrych	Andrea Miles-Cole
Ken Chin	Jerry Jonassen	Darrin Moret
Lisa Daglian	Jan Khan	Chris Rodrigues-Moore
Joel Ettinger	Mikhail Kotikovskiy	Shinji Yasui
Emma Gaitan	Howard Mann	

OTHER

Matt Shotkin

This February 21, 2013 Program, Finance and Administrative Committee (PFAC) meeting synopsis was unanimously accepted by all members of PFAC at its March 21, 2013 meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

***Andrea Miles-Cole
NYMTC - Secretary 99***