



**NEW YORK STATE ASSOCIATION OF MPOs
TRANSIT WORKING GROUP
May 19, 2020
Teleconference
11:00 AM – 12:30 PM**

MEETING NOTES

Participating

- AGFTC – Jack Mance
- BMTS – Scott Reigle
- CDTC – Carrie Ward
- DCTC – Mark Debald
- ECTC – Angela Wood
- GBNRTC – Matt Grabau
- HOCTC – Barb Hauck
- ITCTC – Jay Lambrix
- OCTC – Ashlee Long
- SMTC – Mario Colone
- WJCTC – Sara Freda
- Tompkins County – Dwight Mengel
- NYMTC – Ali Mohseni
- NYSDOT – Tom Vaughn
- NYSDOT – Kent Sopris
- NYSDOT – Harriet Lewis
- WJCTC – Barb Caldwell
- WJCTC – Jennifer Hodge
- Cambridge Systematics – Richard Denbow
- Cambridge Systematics – Cory Hopwood
- Cambridge Systematics – Herb Higginbotham
- Planning4Places – James Levy

If you participated and I missed your name, please let me know: jlevy@planning4places.com

1. Introductions

M. Colone opened the meeting.

2. Approval of meeting notes.

December meeting notes were approved.

3. Presentation

Cambridge Systematics – The PBPP/Transit nexus for both Safety and Asset Management Planning.

Presentation files were distributed to Working Group members on May 20th.

4. NYSDOT Update

Tom V. noted that 5310 recommendations and scores are being finalized for MPO review. Spreadsheets and final recommendations are forthcoming.

5. Work Plan

Carrie W. inquired about the status of the Shared Transit Service Planning and Analytics Initiative project. Mario C. noted that a scope of work is being developed and will be reviewed by a subcommittee. This project will support a set of collaborative pilot applications of common transit mobility planning and analysis tools that each MPO and transit agency could use in their planning activities.

6. MPO Updates

Jay L. stated that there are several good examples of transit adaptation in the era of COVID, including examples of bike lanes along every transit line. It would be interesting to use these examples (Bogota, Columbia in particular) to combine active transportation with transit as a relief valve and look at redefining the relationship of mobility and transit through more extensive bike & transit network collaborative network design and planning. This topic could be added to the Work Plan for this year. Jay L. also asked if there was an average cost of a transit pass in New York City and if monthly bike rentals were available. Harriet L. noted that the MTA 30-Day Unlimited Ride is \$127.

7. Upcoming Conferences/Events

No Updates.

8. Other

Jack M. noted that GGFT shut down service when COVID shutdowns began but instead of keeping buses idled, the system used them as shuttles for deliveries to seniors, food pantries, etc. This use has slowed recently but the system pulled together a delivery program very quickly and it may be an operation that has some interesting and useful tools/lessons learned that can translate to mobility management in the future. Jack will talk with GGFT staff and present more information at a future meeting.

9. Action Items

- If there are any preferences on Work Plan items that could be undertaken as "summer work", please contact Mario C. and Jim L.
- Updates on the Shared Transit Service Planning and Analytics Initiative project will be shared when they are available.
- Jack M. will provide information on the GGFT delivery service at a future meeting.
- 5310 information is forthcoming from NYSDOT.