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GVMC BOARD MEETING

February 6, 2020

8:30 a.m.

Kent County Commission Chambers
300 Monroe NW
Grand Rapids, MI 49504

1. Welcome
2. Quorum Call
3. Approval of Minutes – Attached
4. Election of Officers and Executive Committee

The Executive Committee recommends the following slate to the GVMC Board for a vote:

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| • Mike DeVries – Chair | • Rob Beahan |
| • Jack Poll – Vice Chair | • Wayman Britt |
| • Patrick Waterman – Treasurer | • Mark Washington |
| • Brian Donovan – Secretary | • Al Vanderberg |
| • George Haga | • Steve Kepley |

A deliberative process is followed to determine the candidates. Those who wish to be considered should ongoingly throughout the year notify the Executive Director and Chair.

5. Amendment of Bylaws for Number of GVMC Board Meetings – 2 Attachments
6. 2020 Public Relations / Crisis Communications Training – Tim Dye, Truscott Rossman
7. Long Range Transportation Plan Presentation – Andrea Faber and Laurel Joseph - Attachment
8. Adjourn

GRAND VALLEY METRO COUNCIL

Board Meeting

December 19, 2019

Noon

GVMC Offices

MINUTES

1. Call to Order

Mike DeVries called the meeting to order at 12:10 p.m.

Members Present:

Rob Beahan	Cascade Township
Nora Balgoyen	At-Large Member
Mandy Bolter	Kent County
Wayman Britt	Kent County
Gary Carey	City of Walker
Mike DeVries	Grand Rapids Township
Brian Donovan	At-Large
Joshua Eggleston	City of Wayland
Diane Jones	Kent County
Tom Hooker	Byron Township
John Hoppough	City of Greenville
Steve Kepley	City of Kentwood
Greg Madura	Alpine Township
Megan Sall	City of Wyoming
Steve Maas	City of Grandville
Karen McCarthy	At-Large
Brenda McNabb-Stange	City of Hastings
John Niemela	City of Belding
Jack Poll	City of Wyoming
Jonathan Seyferth	City of Coopersville
Julius Suchy	Village of Sparta
Mark Washington	City of Grand Rapids
Lynee Wells	City of Grand Rapids

Members Absent:

Rick Baker	At-Large
Thad Beard	City of Rockford
Ken Bergwerff	Jamestown Township
Robyn Britton	Nelson Township
Tom Butcher	GVSU
Mike Burns	City of Lowell
Dan Carlton	Georgetown Township
Deb Diepenhorst	Cannon Township

Rob DeWard	Gaines Township
Adam Elenbaas	Allendale Township
Jason Eppler	City of Ionia
Rachel Gokey	Village of Sand Lake
Kevin Green	Algoma Township
Jerry Hale	Lowell Township
George Haga	Ada Township
Jim Holtvluwer	Ottawa County
Bryan Harrison	Caledonia Township
Doug LaFave	East Grand Rapids
Al Vanderberg	Ottawa County
Cameron VanWyngarden	Plainfield Township
Mike Verhulst	City of Grand Rapids
Patrick Waterman	City of Hudsonville
Mike Womack	City of Cedar Springs
Duane Weeks	Village of Middleville

Others Present:

John Weiss	Grand Valley Metro Council
Gayle McCrath	Grand Valley Metro Council
Wendy Ogilvie	Grand Valley Metro Council
Abed Itani	Grand Valley metro Council
Jason Moore	Grand Valley Metro Council
GVMC Staff	
Buck Family	
City of Grandville Staff	

2. General Public Comment

None

3. Approval of Minutes

MOTION – To Approve the November 2019 Board Minutes. MOVE – Poll. SUPPORT – Donovan. MOTION CARRIED.

4. Cancellation of January GVMC Board Meeting

Chair Mike DeVries cancelled the January GVMC Board Meeting as its proximity to the Christmas and New Year’s Holidays would make it impossible to seat a quorum at the meeting.

5. Dedication of Jim Buck Conference Room

Chair Mike DeVries welcomed the Buck Family to the event. DeVries and several others talked about their memories of Jim Buck and his influence on the entire region.

The large conference room was officially dedicated to Jim and renamed the “James R. Buck Conference Room” with a plaque that states:

“In Memory of James R. Buck, highly respected, long standing City of Grandville Mayor who served as the Chair of the Grand Valley Metropolitan Council for 17-years through many of its formative years and challenges.

Jim represented the entire West Michigan Region with statesmanship, diplomacy, and dignity.

Through his service, Jim was a role model of cooperation, collaboration and amicability, helping to set the tone for West Michigan intergovernmental and interregional collaboration.”

6. Office Open House

Everyone was invited to an open house social to mingle and view the new office updates.

7. Adjourn – 12:30 p.m.

Date: January 16, 2020

To: Executive Committee

From: John Weiss

Re: 2020 Meetings

In response to our members having difficulty attending monthly meetings, the EC has discussed reducing the number of full board meetings. I thought it would be helpful if I provided a list of meetings and agenda items we anticipate will be necessary.

February 6, 2020

- Election of Officers and Executive Committee
- Resolution of By-Law Change for Number of Meetings
- 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP)-presentation

May 7, 2020

- Approval of 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MPT)
- Approval of FY 2021 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)
- Annual Report Presentation and Acceptance of the Audit

September 3, 2020

- Approval of 2020-2021 Budget

November 5, 2020

- Consideration of Public Relations Contract
- Guest Speaker

December 2020 – Date TBD

- Optional Holiday Reception

In addition to the Board of Directors listed above. Each of our departments are comprised of multiple committees and sub-committees. They will continue to meet on a regular basis:

Transportation

Transportation Technical Committee	Transportation Policy Committee
Transportation Programming Study Group	GVMC Freight Committee
Non-motorized Committee	GVMC Traffic Count Committee
West Michigan Clean Air Coalition	WM Traffic Safety Committee
Other meetings as required or requested by members, MDOT or other transportation agencies	

Environmental Department

LGROW Board of Directors	LGROW Executive Committee
Public Engagement Committee	Technical Committee
Sustainability Committee	Subwatershed Committee
Stormwater Ordinance Committee	Fund Development and Membership
Other meetings as required or requested by members, environmental groups and governmental agencies.	

REGIS

REGIS Board of Directors	REGIS Executive Committee
REGIS Members Advisory Committee	REGIS Technical Committee
REGIS Specialty Users Groups for Assessors, Clerks, Planners, Assessors, DPW/Engineers	
Multiple site visits as requested by members, REGIS Training, WM GIS Users Group	

GRAND VALLEY METROPOLITAN COUNCIL

At a regular meeting of Grand Valley Metropolitan Council held on the 6th day of February 2020 at 8:30 a.m. in the Kent County Commission Chambers, 300 Monroe Avenue, N.W., Grand Rapids, Michigan.

PRESENT: _____

ABSENT: _____

The following resolution was offered by _____ and seconded by _____:

Resolution to Amend Council Bylaws to Change Required Number of Monthly Meetings of the Council

WHEREAS, the Bylaws of the Council provide at Section 1.2 that the Council shall meet regularly at least once a month; and

WHEREAS, the Members of the Council desire to reduce such number of required monthly meetings.

IT IS, THEREFORE, RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

1. Section 1.2 of the Council Bylaws is hereby amended to read in its entirety as follows:

1.2 Meetings; Notice. The Council shall meet regularly in at least four (4) meetings in each calendar year at locations determined by the Council. The Chairperson or a majority of the Members of the Council may call a special meeting of the Council provided that at least twenty-four (24) hours' notice of the meeting is given to Members of the Council. The notice shall state the place, time and purpose of the special meeting. Except for the provisions of this section,

special meetings are subject to the same rules as regular meetings. No special or regular meeting may be conducted without a quorum as provided in the Articles.

2. This Resolution amends the Council Bylaws only as stated above. All other provisions of the Bylaws remain in effect according to their terms.

3. This Resolution shall be effective at the time it is adopted by the Council.

AYES: _____

NAYS: _____

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED

Secretary

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a Resolution adopted by the Grand Valley Metropolitan Council at a regular meeting held on the date first stated above, and I further certify that public notice of such meeting was given as provided by law.

Secretary



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MEMORANDUM

Date: January 24, 2020
To: GVMC Board
From: Andrea Faber and Laurel Joseph, Transportation Planners
Re: Draft 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan

GVMC Staff has completed the first draft of our 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP), which can be viewed on the GVMC website at www.gvmc.org/mtp. At their joint Committee meeting on January 15, the Technical and Policy Committees unanimously approved this draft to move forward with the official public comment and review period.

The draft 2045 MTP document represents months of work and includes input from Committee members, stakeholders, and the public. GVMC staff have brought many elements of the draft document to the Technical and Policy Committees over the last several months, including:

- Updated socioeconomic data for use in our new travel demand model
- A revised vision statement, goals, and objectives for the MTP
- The results of the comprehensive mode-based needs and deficiencies analysis, which included the integration of new performance-based planning requirements
- The MTP project list

The following was also accomplished:

- A public survey to gauge transportation priorities for regional users
 - 867 survey responses including 534 written comments
- A financial analysis to determine the following projected funding levels through 2045
 - \$557.6 million in federal funding for local programs
 - \$5.7 billion in local funding
 - \$3.4 billion in state funding
 - \$4 billion in transit funding from all transit fund sources
- An environmental justice analysis and environmental mitigation analysis for the project list
- Consultation on the draft project list (one comment received indicating support of the project lists)

Public involvement opportunities have been continuous throughout the development of the MTP, and an official public comment opportunity for the public to review and comment on the draft MTP will be held from February 1 – March 2. There will also be a public meeting on February 10 at Rapid Central Station during the public comment period.

At the March meetings, the Technical and Policy Committees will again be asked to approve the draft document, which will be updated to include feedback received during the public comment period and/or minor editorial changes. GVMC staff plans to bring the 2045 MTP to the GVMC Board for final approval on May 7, 2020.

If you have any questions, please contact Andrea Faber at (616) 776-7603 or andrea.faber@gvmc.org.