

## **BAY CITY AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY (BCATS)**

Technical Committee Minutes – May 12, 2020

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*Meeting Via Microsoft Teams Meeting – Meeting was recorded*

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 10:10 a.m.

**Those Present Were:**

Jay Anderson, BCATS Staff; Jay Reithel, MDOT; Tina Makarewicz, MDOT; Mitch Huber, MDOT SPS; Aaron Dawson, FHWA; Jim Lillo, BCRC; Dave Engelhardt, EMCOG; Terry Moulthane, City of Bay City Planning; Rachel Phillips, City of Bay City; Eric Sprague, BMTA; Ryan Smith, BCATS Staff, and; Cyndi Gaul, Environmental Affairs & Community Development.

***Introductions were made.***

**Minutes from April 14, 2020 BCATS Technical Meeting:**

It was moved by Moulthane, seconded by Reithel, to approve the minutes from the April 14, 2020 BCATS Technical Committee Meeting. Motion passed.

**Public Comment:** There was no public comment brought before the committee.

**Legislative Update:** There was nothing new to report at this time.

**FY2020-2023 TIP Amendments, Administrative Modifications:**

Anderson provided a handout of the FY 2020-2023 TIP Amendment/Administrative Modification for review and recommendation to the Policy Committee for approval. The additional BMTA funding is being provided through the CARES Act to fill the void of reduced operating assistance for FY2020 due to Covid-19. The following is the TIP Amendment/Administrative Modification requested:

**FY 2020 Amendment:**

1. Addition of the ***MDOT TSC Wide Project Road Capital Preventative Maintenance*** crack and seal construction phase in Arenac, Bay, and Gratiot Counties.
2. Addition of the ***BMTA SP1-408 Maintenance Equipment Transit Capital Project*** for FY2020 Section 537 Transit Capital for communication and maintenance equipment.
3. Addition of the ***BMTA SP1-405 Communication Equipment Transit Capital Project*** for FY2020 Section 537 Transit Capital for communication and maintenance equipment.
4. Addition of the ***BMTA SP1-203 Maintenance Facility Improvements Transit Capital Project*** for FY2020 Section 537 Transit Capital for communication and maintenance equipment.
5. Addition of the ***BMTA SP1-406 Equipment and Facilities Transit Capital Project*** for FY2020 Section 537 Transit Capital for communication and maintenance equipment.
6. Amount/Cost Change for the ***BMTA SP300 Operating Assistance Transit Capital Project*** for FY2020 Section 537 Transit Capital for

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operating services.

### **FY 2022 Amendment:**

7. Amount/Cost Change for the ***BMTA SP1 105 Replacement of Two (2) Lift Vans Transit Capital Project*** for FY2022 Section 5339.

A motion was made by Phillips, seconded by Lillo, to favorably recommend the FY 2020-2023 TIP amendment be moved forward to BCATS Policy Committee for approval. Motion Passed.

### **City of Essexville Traffic Light Relocation Project:**

The City of Essexville has a new traffic light relocation project to move the traffic light from Pine and Essex Street to Pine and Borton Street. This project will benefit the school district as the light will be safer for crossing for the middle school and the high school. Committee members were asked if they knew of any possible funding ideas to help with this project. It is estimated that the project will cost around \$40,000. Engelhardt thought the \$20,139 left over in JobNet might be a good portion of funding. Huber wondered if the project would be eligible for any of the \$82,000 in available HIP Funds. If the project is constructed in 2021 it might be eligible for STUL Funding, which is flexible for local projects. It's important to have the project added to the TIP and obligated by the deadline in June 1, 2020. Anderson will talk to Dan Hansford, City of Essexville, to get more information about the project and discuss possible funding ideas for this project.

A motion was made by Lillo, seconded by Moulthane, to make a conditional motion to award the \$20,139 of left over JobNet funding to the City of Essexville Traffic Light Relocation Project to be forward to BCATS Policy Committee for review and approval upon the provision of additional project information to determine if this project will fit into the funding requirements. Motion Passed.

### **Project Updates:**

The ***Road Commission Old Kawkawlin Road Project*** (Two Mile Rd. to State Park Dr.) has started. The ***Road Commission*** has reached out to other agencies for project assistance for the ***State Park Drive Project***. The remaining Road Commission projects for 2020 have been let. The ***Bay City South Trumbull Road Project*** (Columbus to the City Limits) to mill and fill is on hold until the city receives the okay from the hospital so as to avoid disruptions of hospital flow during the COVID-19 pandemic. MDOT had no projects to report at this time.

### **Other/New Business:**

#### ***Dashboard for Covid-19 Information***

Anderson wanted to mention that there is a dashboard for Covid-19 information in Bay County that is available off the Health Department webpage. This dashboard includes maps, charts, and daily updated information. Jay posted a link to the dashboard in the chat box of the virtual meeting.

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### ***Asset Management PASER Ratings***

There is a TAMC call coming up so we can find out the updates on the Asset Management PASER Ratings. It is anticipated that ratings will take place later this year. However, staff is unsure of how ratings will take place with only one person in a vehicle.

### ***Microsoft Teams Tab***

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As there were no further business, a motion was made by Moulane, seconded by Phillips, to adjourn the May 12, 2020 BCATS Technical Committee meeting at 10:47 a.m. Motion Passed.

Respectfully submitted,

*Jay Anderson*

Jay Anderson  
BCATS Director

*Transcribed by C. Gaul*