



Community Planner Forum

AGENDA

Date: March 16, 2023
Time: 9:30 a.m.
Where: CDTC, [1 Park Pl, Albany, NY 12205](#)
Join online: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84814798667?pwd=L2VRdUhoODI5bUFZUTFNeUdXTy9nUT09>
Meeting ID: 848 1479 8667
Passcode: 400561

AGENDA ITEMS

1. **Welcome**
2. **Featured Presentation**
Land Use Hot Topic: Learning from Bethlehem's Farms & Forests Conservation Program, Rob Leslie
3. **U.S. Census Updates**
 - a. Urban Area Boundary
 - b. 2020 Census Results status (CDRPC)
4. **CDRPC Planning Updates**
 - a. Climate Smart Communities Program Updates
 - b. Other
5. **CDTC Planning Updates**
 - a. 2023-24 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)
 - b. Complete Streets Design Guide
 - c. Equity Policy Development
 - d. Metropolitan Transportation Plan update schedule
 - e. CDTC/CDRPC Technical Assistance Program
 - f. [Bipartisan Infrastructure Law](#) (BIL)
 - g. Planning Study Status
6. **Training/Workshops**
 - a. [CDRPC Spring Webinar Series](#), every Wednesday from March 15 – May 3, 2023. Registration is free.
 - b. American Planning Association
 - i. [National Planning Conference](#), April 1-4, 2023, in Philadelphia, PA
 - ii. [NY Upstate APA Mini Conference](#), September 15, 2023 in Syracuse, NY.
 - c. NYS LTAP Center – Cornell Local Roads Program: Register for upcoming workshops: <https://nysltapclrp.regfox.com/2023-engineering-workshops>
 - i. Federal Aid 101 Virtual Workshop, September 12, 2023
 - ii. ADA in the Public Right-of-Way, July 12, 2023 in Schenectady County, NY
 - iii. Low-Volume Road Pavement Design, August 1, 2023 in Albany, NY
 - d. Visit the **News & Events** Pages on both the [CDTC](#) and [CDRPC](#) websites for additional updates on training and workshops.
7. **Other Regional, State and Local Planning Updates**
8. **2023 Meeting Schedule:** June 15; September 21; December 21

STATUS OF CDTC PLANNING INITIATIVES AS OF MARCH 1, 2023

NAME AND LOCAL SPONSOR	CONSULTANT OR STAFF, PROJECT COST, CDTC CONTACT	FUNDING APPROVAL DATE	STATUS	ESTIMATED COMPLETION DATE	PROJECT WEBSITE LINK
LINKAGE PROGRAM					
1. Land Use Regulations Update Village of Menands	The Chazen Companies \$80,000 Rima Shamieh	Policy Board Approved 3/5/20	This project is complete.	January 2023	https://villageofmenands.com/government/land-use-regulations-zoning-update/
2. Route 4 Corridor Study: Inter-Municipal Update Town of East Greenbush	M.J. Engineering and Land Surveying \$90,000 Chris Bauer	Policy Board Approved 3/4/21	The first round of public outreach is underway. A survey was developed and distributed. The first public meeting is on February 28, 2023.	July 2023	https://nyroute4study.com
3. Rensselaer Waterfront Connectivity Study City of Rensselaer	MJ Engineering and Land Surveying, PC \$60,000 Andrew Tracy	Policy Board Approved 3/4/21	Public input from the second public workshop was summarized and provided to a stakeholder committee on January 17, 2023. Preferred concepts were selected by City. The final report is being prepared by consultant team.	March 2023	https://www.renselaerwaterfrontconnections.com/
4. Federal Street Corridor Study City of Troy	Creighton Manning Engineering \$50,000 Carrie Ward	Policy Board Approved 3/4/21	The Study Advisory Committee is reviewing the final draft that addresses public comments.	March 2023	www.FixFederalStreet.com
5. Town of Brunswick Hoosick Road Corridor Study Town of Brunswick	Creighton Manning Engineering \$63,000 Andrew Tracy	Policy Board Approved 3/3/22	Existing conditions assessment underway. First Study Advisory Committee meeting was held on January 25, 2023. Monthly core team status calls began on January 23, 2023.	September 2023	TBD
6. Sand Creek Road Complete Street Feasibility Study Village of Colonie	TBD \$65,000 Jacob Beeman	Policy Board Approved 3/3/22	Project kick-off meeting was held on January 30, 2023. Consultant is currently working on the project website, purpose and need statement, existing conditions report, and finalizing the Study Advisory Committee (SAC) membership. First SAC meeting is expected to be held in mid-March.	September 2023	TBD
7. City of Schenectady Albany & Crane Streets Linkage Study City of Schenectady	PLACE Alliance \$90,000 Jen Ceponis	Policy Board Approved 3/3/22	The consultant team has developed a Public Engagement Plan and is preparing the Existing Conditions Report. The first Study Advisory Committee meeting was January 31st.	November 2023	https://www.craig-main-connection.com/albany--crane-streets.html

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COMMUNITY PLANNING TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

1. Riverside Avenue Access Improvements City of Rensselaer	CDTC, CDRPC and City Staff \$10,035.50 Chris Bauer	Planning Committee Approved 8/3/22	A focus group was held on January 27, 2023; a public meeting was held on February 2, 2023. The draft tech memo was revised to reflect the outcomes of the focus group and public meeting, and is currently being reviewed by the City.	March 2023	N/A
2. Reconnecting the West Side City of Saratoga Springs	CDTC, CDRPC and City Staff \$13,512 Jen Ceponis	Planning Committee Approved 10/5/22	A Stakeholder Meeting was held on February 8th and CDTC/CDRPC staff are developing an Existing Conditions Memo. The next steps include developing a memo containing potential treatments and improvements to develop safe walking/bicycling routes in the area.	March 2023	N/A
3. East Greenbush Natural Resource Inventory East Greenbush	CDTC, CDRPC and Town Staff \$13,552.34 Teresa LaSalle	Planning Committee Approved 1/4/23	A project kickoff meeting was held on January 30th. CDRPC staff has obtained most of the map and data sets needed from the Town (2 sets of data anticipated from DEC). Access to the Town's GIS platform has also been secured. Most of the maps have been completed. A progress meeting is slated for February 27th.	March, 2023	N/A

ADDITIONAL CDTC PLANNING INITIATIVES

1. New Visions 2050 CDTC - Regional	CDTC Staff \$100,000 Jen Ceponis	Included in the 2020-2022 UPWP	CDTC continues to offer the Virtual Learning Series and Virtual Local Government Training. View the schedule and sign up for training at www.cdtcmpo.org/nv2050 . CDTC is also monitoring mobility trends and will update and amend the plan accordingly. The next webinar is scheduled for March 21 at 3:30 pm: https://www.cdtcmpo.org/news/nv-webinars . CDTC staff is monitoring local trends and preparing to develop a scope for the Metropolitan Transportation Plan update that is anticipated to begin in Spring 2023.	Adopted September 3, 2020	https://www.cdtcmpo.org/nv2050
2. Bus Lane Feasibility Study CDTA/CDTC - Regional	Foursquare ITP \$200,000 Sandy Misiewicz	Included in the 2020-2022 UPWP	The final report was presented to CDTC's Planning Committee at their February 2, 2023, meeting. The consultant is preparing the final project deliverables. The project is substantially complete.	March 2023	https://www.buslanestudy.com/
3. NY 378 Bridge Transportation Scoping/PEL Study NYS DOT	WSP \$400,000 Susan Olsen, NYSDOT Andrew Tracy	TIP Project A605/R344: NY 378 Troy Menands Bridge Study	A Troy-Menands Bridge PEL Steering Committee meeting was held on January 18, 2023. Updates to existing conditions analyses were presented. Updated Agency Coordination Plan was prepared by the consultant team. The Transportation Partnering Committee Meeting #2 was held on February 15, 2023.	TBD	TBD
4 Albany County Loop Trail Feasibility Study	CDTC Staff \$30,000 Jen Ceponis	Albany County support contract 12/8/20	CDTC has developed the final technical memorandum which is being reviewed by Albany County.	March 2023	N/A
5. Regional Truck Parking Study	CDTC Staff \$137,750 Chris Bauer	Planning Committee Approved 4/7/21	The project team held a working session with the Freight Advisory Committee at their February 15, 2023, meeting. The consultant team is refining the analysis to develop parking time-of-day and supply and demand profiles.	March 2023	TBD

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ADDITIONAL CDTC PLANNING INITIATIVES (continued)

6. ADA Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan for Pedestrian Infrastructure	City of Albany Program capacity: \$75,000 Carrie Ward	Included in the 2020-2022 UPWP	The draft is posted for public comment at https://www.albanyny.gov/DocumentCenter/View/7737 and comments will be accepted through March 5th.	March 2023	https://www.albanyny.gov/ADA_webpage
7. ADA Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan for Pedestrian Infrastructure	Village of Ballston Spa Town of Guilderland City of Troy \$107,000 Carrie Ward	Planning Committee approved 11/2/2022	Ballston Spa and Guilderland will kick off in March.	December 2023	N/A
8. Hoosick Asset Management Plan Town of Hoosick	TBD \$33,000 Teresa LaSalle	Policy Board Approved 3/3/22	CDTC received two proposals, which are currently under review.	September 2023	N/A
9. Design-Engineering Feasibility and Planning Study for Reimagining the I-787 Corridor NYSDOT	TBD \$5,000,000 Greg Wichser, NYSDOT Kelly Kircher, NYSDOT Chris Bauer Jen Ceponis	TIP Project A609 Reimagining the I-787 Corridor Planning Study	The Request for Qualifications for architectural / engineering services was released by NYSDOT August 17, 2022 and proposals were due September 7, 2022. NYSDOT posted an Engineering Opportunity Designation for the RFQ to Parsons Transportation Group of NY, Inc. in association with Foit Albert Assoc. Arch. Eng. & Surveying (20% participation); AKRF, Inc.; Fisher Associates, PE, LS, LA, DPC; Creighton Manning Engineering LLP.	March 2026	N/A
10. On-Demand Motor Vehicle, Bicycle and Pedestrian Count Services	NDS (National Data & Surveying Services) Up to \$160,000 Teresa LaSalle	Included in the 2022-2023 UPWP	Several locations have been counted to date. Limited counts are expected to occur between January 2023 and March 2023.	18 month contract with an optional one year extension.	N/A
11. Regional Signal Timing Program	TBD \$100,000 Andrew Tracy	Included in the 2022-2023 UPWP	The RFP was released on December 16, 2022 and proposals were received January 25, 2023. Six proposals recieved; consultant selection process is underway.	March 2024	N/A