Synopsis of the September 19, 2002 Meeting of the Program, Finance and Administration Committee (PFAC) of the New York Metropolitan Transportation Council (NYMTC)

A. CALL TO ORDER, INTRODUCTIONS, CHAIRPERSON'S REMARKS

- 1. The meeting was called to order at 1:20 p.m. by Mr. Robert Dennison, the Chairperson of the Program, Finance and Administration Committee and Regional Director of the New York State Department of Transportation, Region 8. All attendees introduced themselves.
- 2. Chairperson's Remarks Mr. Dennison said he was glad that the anniversary of September 11th date was beyond and had passed and he commended NYMTC for staying focused and looked forward towards the future.
- 3. Executive Director's Report Mr. Schulze reported that Congress passed the Conformity Waiver; the Canal Area Transportation Study had public involvement throughout the summer; the Long Island Sound Waterborne Transportation Study public meetings had started; the Nassau Hub Major Investment Study would begin soon, and there were a lot of data products being produced. Mr. Schulze also said that quarterly reports on travel patterns in the region would soon begin.

4. Transportation Coordinating Committee (TCC) Staff Director's Reports

- Mid-Hudson South (MHS) Ms. Jean Shanahan, said that since the last PFAC meeting, the Mida. Hudson South TCC staff conducted an administrative update of the federal fiscal year 2002-2004 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP); conducted amendments and project selections to keep the TIP current for project obligations; gathered information about projects in support of the air quality waiver; and circulated a ballot that was approved by the voting members of the MHSTCC to add the South Western Regional Planning Agency (MPO for western Connecticut) as a nonvoting member of the MHSTCC. In regards to the Tappan Zee Bridge Major Investment Study, Ms. Shanahan reported that the Inter Metropolitan Planning Organization continued to meet and review documents developed in preparation for the start of the study, including the contracts for the four functions for consultants. Ms. Shanahan's report on the Sustainable Development Studies, Route 303, was that the technical committee was finalizing the report and the executive summary and was beginning an access management plan to begin implementation of the public visioning process that was developed over the 2 year period. The final Route 202/35/5/Bear Mountain Parkway study report should be completed by the end of the 2002. A tool kit was being developed that would help the study partners develop everything from improved community character to help strengthen the inter-municipal partnerships.
- b. **Nassau-Suffolk** Mr. Kevin Wolford reported that the Nassau/Suffolk TCC staff processed three minor amendments and three project selections. The staff continued to participate in the Regional Transportation Plan update committee, Job Access and Reverse Commute, Pedestrian/Bikeways

and Freight Transportation Working Groups. The Sustainable East End Development Strategies Study completed the second phase outreach and would prepare a matrix of land use transportation scenarios for modeling. The Long Island Sound Waterborne Transportation Study sponsored jointly by NYMTC and two Connecticut Metropolitan Planning Organizations, the South Western Regional Planning Agency and the Greater Bridgeport Regional Planning Agency, purpose was to explore the potential for expanded use of the Long Island Sound and its tributaries for waterborne passenger and freight transportation, and to also develop a plan for waterborne transportation for the Sound for the 2000-2025 period. The study moved into the public outreach phase, with community workshops held in Southold, Long Island and Stamford, Connecticut. Additional workshops would be scheduled in Long Island, Connecticut, Westchester County and Manhattan.

c. **New York City** - Mr. Larry Malsam said that since the last meeting, the New York City TCC staff completed, approved and transmitted an update of the New York City portion of the 2003-2004 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The changes were all project selections and minor amendments. The staff provided program support and analysis to both the Congressional Conformity Waiver effort and individual members developed position/policy papers for submission to Congress on the re-authorization of TEA-21. The staff continued to provide support the Regional Transportation Plan and various working groups for projects such as the Waterborne, Freight, Jobs Access and Intelligence Transportation System. A working draft and Geographic Information System based route maps of a New York City Bicycle-Pedestrian Plan was completed. The staff worked with the U.S. Coast Guard and transportation agencies which have facilities over navigable waterways to jointly coordinate and assess future security threats to those facilities. Mr. Malsam said that the Southern Brooklyn Transportation Investment Study and the Canal Area Transportation Study (CATS) had over 20 public outreach meetings. In conjunction with the team of consultants, assessments of existing data and the specific public comments for the Southern Brooklyn Study was completed. This was in anticipation of the October start-up of joint agency/ community member committees. The committees would assess and reach consensus on medium and long term transportation improvement alternatives that could be modeled with Best Practices Model. The CATS study completed five multi-lingual public outreach meetings with residents living and working along Canal Street. Short, medium and long term issues and possible alternatives would be presented to the Steering Committee, which was composed of elected and community representatives as well as City/State transportation, business and emergency services agencies.

B. ACTION ITEMS

1. Accept: May 16, 2002 Meeting Synopsis

Mr. Dennison asked for a motion to accept the May 16, 2002 Meeting Synopsis. A motion was made by Dr. James Yarmus, representing the Mid-Hudson South TCC and seconded by Mr. Charles Ukegbu, representing the New York City TCC. The synopsis was approved.

2. Adopt: Resolution #159 – Approval of Amendment to the 2002-2004 Unified Planning Work Program to Include Funding for the Bay Ridge Line Rail Bridge Evaluation

Mr. Howard Mann introduced the resolution for adoption. He said that the project would be conducted by the Metropolitan Transportation Authority-Long Island Rail Road and would provide important information on the stresses that rail bridges can handle along the Bay Ridge Line in Brooklyn, (see attachments).

Mr. Dennison asked for a motion to adopt Resolution #159 – Approval of Amendment to the 2002-2004 Unified Planning Work Program to Include Funding for the Bay Ridge Line Rail Bridge Evaluation. A motion was made by Mr. Robert Shinnick, representing the Nassau/Suffolk TCC and seconded by Ms. Patricia Chemka, representing the Mid-Hudson South TCC. The resolution passed unanimously.

3. Adopt: Resolution #160 – Approval of Amendment to the 2002-2004 Unified Planning Work Program to Include Funding for a Lower Manhattan Freight Logistics Study

Mr. Gordon Wilson introduced the resolution for adoption. He said that the purpose of the study was to streamline freight delivery services by proposing guidelines for the provision of optimal loading docks and freight elevators in commercial office buildings being redeveloped in Lower Manhattan. Mr. Wilson said it should lead to increased efficiencies, decreased turnaround time; reductions in on-street congestion and energy consumption; significant improvements in both freight mobility and security; and reduced air pollution, (see attachments).

Mr. Dennison asked for a motion to adopt Resolution #160 – Approval of Amendment to the 2002-2004 Unified Planning Work Program to Include Funding for a Lower Manhattan Freight Logistics Study. A motion was made by Mr. Kevin Olinger, representing the New York City TCC and seconded by Mr. Robert Shinnick, representing the Nassau/Suffolk TCC. The resolution passed unanimously.

4. Adopt: Resolution #161 – Approval of Amendment to the 2002-2004 Unified Planning Work Program to Supplement Funding for the Sustainable East End Development Strategies (SEEDS) Initiative

Mr. Gerry Bogacz introduced the resolution for adoption. He said that SEEDS was intended to bring about coordinated land use and transportation planning for the communities on Long Island's East End in Suffolk County, (see attachment).

Mr. Dennison asked for a motion to adopt Resolution #161 – Approval of Amendment to the 2002-2004 Unified Planning Work Program to Supplement Funding for the Sustainable East End Development Strategies Initiative. A motion was made by Mr. Larry Fleischer, representing the Metropolitan Transportation Authority and seconded by Mr. Robert Shinnick, representing the Nassau/Suffolk TCC. The resolution passed unanimously.

5. Adopt: Resolution #162 – Approval of Amendment to the 2002-2004 Unified Planning Work Program to Transfer Funds Between Three New York City Department of Transportation Activities

Mr. Charles Ukegbu introduced the resolution for adoption. He explained that the Assessment of Alternative Fuels for Bus Fleets was completed and the Compressed Natural Gas Planning tasks would be reduced to allow the NYC bus procurement cycle to better synchronize with its federal funding stream. The remaining funds would be moved to the Comprehensive Transit Service Planning activity, (see attachment).

Mr. Dennison asked for a motion to adopt Resolution #162 – Approval of Amendment to the 2002-2004 Unified Planning Work Program to Transfer Funds Between Three New York City Department of Transportation Activities. A motion was made by Mr. Kevin Olinger, representing the New York City TCC and seconded by Ms. Patricia Chemka, representing the Mid-Hudson South TCC. This resolution passed unanimously.

6. Recognition of Service to Charles Nauss, Suffolk County Department of Public Works

Mr. Dennison reported that Charles Nauss retired from the Suffolk County Department of Public Works after 33 years of service and that he started attending meetings at the NYMTC's predecessor agency Tri-State Regional Planning Commission and served as an alternate representative to PFAC meetings. Mr. Dennison reported that Mr. Nauss was not present and that on behalf of the members, he thanked Chuck for his dedicated service to PFAC and congratulated him on his retirement.

Mr. Robert Shinnick accepted the plaque on behalf of Mr. Nauss and said that he had known Charles long enough to be proud of his service and the he enjoyed working with him. He then thanked everyone on Mr. Nauss' behalf.

Everyone applauded.

C. **REGIONAL ISSUES**

1. The Role of Ferries in the Evacuation of Manhattan on September 11, 2002

With the help of slides, Mr. Pete Johansen, Senior Director of Marine Operations of the New York Waterway, gave an overview of the role the New York Waterway ferries played in safely evacuating pedestrians out of lower Manhattan to other New York and New Jersey ports, (see attachments).

2. Nassau Hub Major Investment Study

Patricia Bourne, Director of Planning, Nassau County Planning Commission, gave an overview of the Nassau Hub Major Investment Study, with the help of slides. Ms. Bourne said that this study would have public input and involvement (see attachments).

D. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were no speakers.

E. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

1. Conformity Waiver

Ms. Elizabeth Bartlett reported that the conformity waiver bill was passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate and was awaiting the President's signature. This was made possible due to the Governor's actions on the region's behalf. Ms. Bartlett added that even with the waiver, the region must be in conformity by 2005.

Mr. Rich said that the Inter-agency Consultation Group (ICG) developed procedures for the advancement and tracking of projects in order to compile the January 2004 report to Congress and Federal agencies as required by the waiver legislation. The ICG would hold workshops with the three Transportation Coordinating Committees to explain the procedures.

2. Regional Transportation Plan/Transportation Improvement Program (RTP/TIP)

Mr. Bogacz said that since the waiver was official, the staff and member agencies were accessing how the planning process would move forward during the period of the waiver and how they could make progress on accomplishing the planning that needed to be done while respecting the deadlines and improvements there were in the waiver. He said that an update of both the RTP and TIP during the waiver would be prepared.

F. CONFIRMATION OF NEXT MEETING

Mr. Dennison confirmed that the next PFAC meeting was scheduled for November 21, 2002, at 1:15 p.m., and that the location would be announced at a later date.

G. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned approximately at 3:02 p.m.

IN ATTENDANCE

Voting Member/Alternates

Lawrence Berger, Nassau County Patricia Chemka, Westchester County Robert Dennison, NYS Department of Transportation Larry Fleischer, Metropolitan Transportation Authority Kevin Olinger, NYC Department of City Planning Robert Shinnick, Suffolk County Charles Ukegbu, NYC Department of Transportation Dr. James Yarmus, Rockland County

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Tom Schulze Jean Shanahan Gordon Wilson Kevin Wolford

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A. CALL TO ORDER, INTRODUCTIONS, CHAIRPERSON'S REMARKS

- 1. The meeting was called to order at 1:17 p.m. by Mr. Robert Dennison, the Chairperson of the Program, Finance and Administration Committee and Regional Director of the New York State Department of Transportation, Region 8. All attendees introduced themselves.
- 2. Chairperson's Remarks Mr. Dennison reported that Tom Schulze had a death in his family, therefore he would not be able to attend the meeting and that Mr. Alan Borenstein, NYMTC's Deputy Director would cover in his absence.
- **3. Executive Director's Report** Alan Borenstein said that about eight people were hired to the NYMTC staff and permanent office space was being looked at downtown Manhattan. He said that NYMTC was given a plaque and introduced Norma Hessic.

Norma Hessic said she had the great honor of attending a breakfast on Tom Schulze's behalf at the New York Building of Congress. The breakfast was given in memory of those lost in the tragic attack on the United States of America and the City of New York on September 11, 2001. Ignatius Adanga, Charles Lesperance and See-Wong Shum from the NYMTC family were honored. Ms. Hessic revealed the glass plaque that was given to the NYMTC family.

4. Transportation Coordinating Committee (TCC) Staff Director's Reports

Mid-Hudson South (MHS) - Ms. Jean Shanahan, said that since the last PFAC meeting, the Mida. Hudson South TCC staff hired two Transportation Analyst; held the Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) building meeting and developed the 2003-2004 work program for the MHSTCC; conducted amendments and project selections as necessary to keep the 2002-2004 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) current for project obligations; and began working on the 2004 TIP Update. In regards to the Tappan Zee Bridge Major Investment Study, Ms. Shanahan reported that the Inter Metropolitan Planning Organization continued to meet and review documents developed in preparation for the start of the study. The Stakeholder Outreach continued and an informational packet was being developed for the public that would mirror the scoping document and include goals, objectives, screening criteria, maps and drawings. For additional information, see the website: www.tzbsite.com. Ms. Shanahan also reported that the Putnam County Transit Study was a 18 month study and would look at existing transit service in Putnam County to see if there were opportunities for improvements and coordination. One of the first components of the study was to develop a community outreach program.

- b. **Nassau-Suffolk** - Mr. Daniel Evans reported that since the last PFAC meeting, the Nassau/Suffolk TCC staff were adjusting the Long Island element of the current 2002-2004 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) in order to meet the members programming needs; two project selections and three minor amendments were advanced; the staff hosted a meeting of the Inter Agency Consultation Group to discuss the air quality conformity waiver and its relationship to the TIP; and discussions were made regarding a complete TIP update amongst the three TCC's and Central Staff. Mr. Evans said that staff continued to participate in the Regional Transportation Plan update, Job Access and Reverse Commute, Pedestrian/Bicycle and Freight Transportation working groups. The Sustainable East End Development Strategies process of evaluating the Five East End Town's total transportation system and it relationship to land-use policies continued and was in the scenario modeling phase. Comments gathered in the extensive public outreach effort provided the concepts begin modeled in a matrix system matching varying land use development with transportation strategies. The models would help provide guidance for the transportation and land use planners who would make decisions affecting the future of the East End of Long Island. Mr. Evans also reported that the Long Island Waterborne Transportation, which was exploring the potential for expanded use of the Long Island Sound and its tributaries for waterborne passengers and freight transportation, completed the initial planned outreach at eight locations around the Sound. Due to suggestions at these meetings, two additional community planning workshops would be held in Shoreham, Long Island and in Stamford, Connecticut. The Long Island Transportation Accessibility Study, which would analyze the needs of persons with transportation accessibility problems where fixed route transit was not practical, selected a consultant and would soon begin contract negotiations.
- c. New York City Mr. Larry Malsam said that since the last meeting, the New York City TCC staff prepared for the next full Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) update. The staff had received and analyzed the new estimated federal-aid allocations, updated and reviewed all non-exempt projects to determine if they met Congressional Conformity Waiver guidelines-in concert with the Interagency Conformity Working Group; updated public outreach mailing lists; and finished revision of our Congestion Mitigation & Air Quality application to better address short term conformity needs and ease of use by applicants. Mr. Malsam also reported that the staff had worked with members to begin a full Regional Transportation Plan update. Agency meetings were scheduled to review the previous public commentary, future system needs and demands. A draft NYC Bicycle-Pedestrian text was sent to the TCC members prior to a large public review. The 2003-04 UPWP and initial peer review was completed. The Southern Brooklyn Transportation Investment Study and the Canal Area Transportation Study Track 1 progress continued. Joint agency/public committee meeting were facilitated to identify patterns of issues and possible solution and then consensus on short, medium and long term recommendations would be done.

B. ACTION ITEMS

1. Accept: May 16, 2002 Meeting Synopsis

Mr. Dennison asked for a motion to accept the September 19, 2002 Meeting Synopsis. A motion was made by Jack Schmidt, representing the New York City TCC and seconded by Ms. Sarah Rios, representing the Metropolitan Transportation Authority. The synopsis was approved.

C. **REGIONAL ISSUES**

1. Route 303 Sustainable Development Study; Lessons Learned and Implementation Steps

Mr. Thom Kleiner, Supervisor for the Town of Orangetown, said that the Route 303 Sustainable Development Study was one of four pilot studies in the region. The Route 303 had very difficult transportation and land use problems. The study had interagency cooperation with the Town of Orangetown, Rockland County, NYSDOT-Region 8, and NYMTC. The goal of the plan was to integrate transportation and land use issues in the same study and to study them together, and also try to implement safety improvements and land use improvements at the same time. A Citizen Advisory Committee was used and their recommendations and vision was included in the planning process. The committee consisted of about 50 people who met in "sherrets" and participated in the studies with the agencies.

2. Mid-Town Thru Streets Initiative

With the help of slides, Ms. Margaret Forgione, NYCDOT Manhattan Borough Commissioner, presented the Mid-Town Thru Streets Initiative and said that the purpose of the initiative was to create a more efficient and safe environment for the use of streets and sidewalks in mid-town Manhattan. Ms. Forgione explained that the goals of the initiative was to move the east-west vehicle traffic; improve bus service reliability; aid pedestrians at crosswalks; and expand curbside truck loading and unloading opportunities. Ms. Forgione went over the changes made for valet lots and major hotels. Their exits were on the "thru-streets" and caused hotel guests to wait too long for their vehicles. The streets designated as express were 36thStreet- 37th Street; 45th-Street - 46th Street; 49th Street - 50th Street; and 53rd Street - 54th Street. See the attached presentation.

3. Staten Island Expressway Major Investment Study

Mr. Peter King, with the help of poster boards spoke in depth about the Staten Island Expressway Major Investment Study. If you need information about this study, please contact Peter King.

D. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were no speakers.

E. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

1. Coney Island/Gravesend Sustainable Development Transportation Study

Mr. Michael Griffith said that the Coney Island/Gravesend Sustainable Development Transportation Study was the first sustainable development study done by the New York City Department of Transportation. The study was done in response to a request from Community Board #20, as a result of increased traffic in the area. It was also realized that there would be a potential for more growth in the area and sites that were not developed. Mr. Griffith said that their goal was to enhance the quality of life in the Gravesend area and to provide opportunities for transportation choices. A significant part of the study was the public outreach. Many issued were being addressed and the land use would be focused on.

2. Canal Area Transportation Study

Mr. Malsam reported that the Canal Area Transportation Study is a collaborative effort working jointly with several city agencies, the Metropolitan Transportation Authority and a Citizens Advisory Committee. There was an intense public outreach process with interpretation in several languages. The study also coordinated with the Lower Manhattan Development Corporation and Rebuild Chinatown Initiative to reach consensus on short term issues and improvements. Mr. Malsam said that Track One should be completed by March 2003. The Request For Proposal would be prepared and would be expected to start in the summer. Track Two would follow-up on the long term issues on Canal Street and would coordinate with the Lower Manhattan Development Corporation and the Rebuild Chinatown Initiative.

3. Southern Brooklyn Transportation Investment Study

Mr. Malsam reported that this was a three year multimodal transportation planning study. The transportation investment study will assess current and future travel conditions and deficiencies and develop multimodal transportation improvements solutions to improve the movement of people and goods with and through the study. Mr. Malsam said that over 600 individual issues, concerns and solutions were collected. Subcommittees were formed to identify common themes and objectives with the ultimate goal of formulating alternatives transportation improvement scenarios. Full additional information check the website at: www.southernbrooklyntis.com

4. Unified Planning Work Program

Mr. Stephen Hausch said that all NYMTC members' draft UPWP proposals had been submitted, processed and distributed to Council members and federal agencies. A combination of prior year and new 2003-2004 funds had been identified to fund the draft programs currently submitted. The Central Staff draft work program should be distributed the first week in January and a peer review meeting would be scheduled after. Mr. Hausch said that a PFAC vote to recommend Council's approval on the UPWP would be done at the next meeting, and Council's adoption of the UPWP would be at the Annual Council Meeting in March.

5. New Data Products

Mr. Gordon Wilson gave a narrative on three new data products. "Review of Technologies Used in Freight Transportation", examines and comments on the use of modern technology in the freight transportation industry; "Travel Patterns in the New York Metropolitan Area: Second Quarter", provides a glace at changes area travel patterns; and the "Truck Toll Volume Trends 2001, At-A-Glance", provide a snapshot of state to emphasized the importance of freight transportation in the overall economic development of the region. Mr. Wilson thanked the agencies responsible for provided data and encouraged them to continue. For additional information, see the attachment or check the NYMTC website at <u>www.nymtc.org</u>.

6. Walkable Community Workshops

Mr. Larry McAuliffe said that Walkable Communities were neighborhoods, both rural and urban, that have extensive sidewalk networks, safe crossing locations, and destinations that were within walking or biking distances. He said about 35 people were involved with looking at sites and held interactive workshops. Nine communities were chosen to host the workshops. They were New City in Rockland County, Brooklyn Bridge Park in Kings County, Brewster Village in Putnam County, Greenburgh in Westchester County, Riverhead, Syosett, and Farmingdale in Suffolk County, and Freeport and Lynbrook in Nassau County. A website with more details would be on the NYMTC website.

F. CONFIRMATION OF NEXT MEETING

Mr. Dennison confirmed that the next PFAC meeting was scheduled for January 23, 2003, at 1:15 p.m., at the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation office. (Note: The 1/23/03 meeting was postponed until February 20, 2003 at the NYSDEC Office.)

G. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned approximately at 3:02 p.m.

IN ATTENDANCE

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Lawrence Berger, Nassau County Robert Dennison, NYS Department of Transportation Naomi Klein, Westchester County John Pilner, Putnam County Sarah Rios, Metropolitan Transportation Authority Jack Schmidt, NYC Department of City Planning Robert Shinnick, Suffolk County Charles Ukegbu, NYC Department of Transportation

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