

## Jan 17, 2023 | 📅 Green Task Force Transportation committee

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### Notes

- RTA Highlights for 2023
  - D2A2 Program - Detroit luxury coach between downtown Detroit & Ann Arbor for \$6. Very popular, especially for UM staff, students, and football attendees. Can purchase tickets online. Numbers are growing monthly. More info at <https://d2a2.com/>
  - 5310 Transportation funding for enhanced services for older individuals and people with disabilities. Focused on Greater Detroit and Ann Arbor. Transportation providers must submit competitive grant requests. Call for projects next month. Anticipate grants due in April with funding thereafter. Increased funding at approximately \$12 million for Detroit, \$800K for Ann Arbor. 55% will be traditional projects, e.g. bus replacements, contractual services. Remainder for non-traditional projects, e.g. capital investments, new services. Areas of interest - projects that promote equity, regional in scope, improve mobility. More info to come at <https://rtamichigan.org/>
  - Community Advisory Council - Looking for add members. Meets 6 times per year at about 5pm. Application will be online and very simple.
  - Received \$2 million pilot for express connector between Downtown Detroit and Metro Airport.

- Todd asked about future RTA millages. Corri said the focus is on launching these pilots
- Other Updates -
  - The Detroit Greenways Coalition submitted a conference proposal for the Association of Pedestrian and Bicycle Professionals to come to Detroit in 2024.
  - The American Heart Association wants to work with this group on a Complete Streets ordinance for Detroit. It would include green stormwater infrastructure. We will collaborate with the Green Task Force Water committee. More updates to come.
  - State legislation was introduced to allow more local flexibility in setting speed limits. <http://legislature.mi.gov/doc.aspx?2023-HB-4012>
  - SEMCOG is hosting a workshop on the Carbon Reduction Program tomorrow. Approximately \$9.5 million is available for the SEMCOG region annually. <https://semcog.org/semcog-university>
  - The DNR is conducting a Multimodal Mobility study for Belle Isle. There is a public survey. <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/BelleIsleMMS>
  - MDOT is doing a PEL study for Gratiot Avenue. Mikki from WSP can provide future updates on public engagement opportunities.
  - MDOT is looking to study the need for existing pedestrian bridges in Detroit.
- MoGo - Is now accepting cash using Divdat. Others are using this service with 80 kiosks around the area. Available 24/7. Now have MoGo stations on Belle Isle and will soon add Gabriel Richard Park. Recently launched fully electrified stations that can recharge e-bikes. Also launched solar powered stations that can charge ebikes. Rory Lincoln has moved to Arizona and Jacob has taken his place.
- Joe Louis Greenway - Planning is working on a long term strategy with MoGo. Construction continues. West Warren trailhead still a bit rough but will open later this year. Clearing to begin between Davison and Jos Campau. Southwest Greenway work continues with landscaping to go in this year. Received earmarks.
- Office Mobility & Innovation - February 20th public hearing on e-scooter ordinance. Looking at e-scooter programming. Third Detroit Bike Challenge and summit are being planned.
- Transportation Riders United - State of Transit Summit January 31st at Tech Town. More at <https://DetroitTransit.org>. Working with DDOT for a community meeting regarding DDOT Reimagined. Asked about the timeline for the budget process.

#### Action items

- Todd Scott will look into having someone discuss how transportation dollars are allocated during the city's budget process.
- Todd Scott will see if someone from the Belle Isle study can present a future meeting.