Strategy Committee Meeting Minutes  
April 12, 2021 8:30 AM  
101 Queen City Road, Burlington VT 05401  
Meeting held virtually via Zoom Meetings

The mission of GMT is to promote and operate safe, convenient, accessible, innovative, and sustainable public transportation services in northwest and central Vermont that reduce congestion and pollution, encourage transit oriented development, and enhance the quality of life for all.

Present:
Commissioner Buermann
Commissioner Pouech
Commissioner Gallagher
Commissioner Holland
Jon Moore, General Manager
Jamie Smith, Director of Marketing and Planning
Nick Foss, Director of Finance
Chris Damiani, Transit Planner
Stephen Falbel, Steadman Hill Consulting

Open Meeting:
Commissioner Buermann opened the meeting at 8:33AM

Adjustment of the Agenda:
None

Public Comment:
None

Approval of Committee Minutes:
Commissioner Pouech made a motion to approve the March 8, 2021 minutes, Commissioner Gallagher seconded. All were in favor and the motion carried.

Strategic Goals:
Director Smith introduced the updated FY21 Strategic Goals document; noting the changes made were based on feedback from committee meetings, the Board retreat, staff review, and any anecdotal items (for example, comments about goals maybe being split into two goals or items
that could live in two places). Steve Falbel gave a comprehensive overview of the goals document, including a new section that talks about guiding principles for the strategic goals. A request was made to add “increasing ridership” to the guiding principles list.

**Transit Strategic Plan Timeline Update:**
Director Smith gave an update on where the Planning Department currently is in the process of developing the TSP with Steve Falbel. We are still on track to have Chapters 1-3 completed in FY21.

**Commissioner Items:**
Brief discussion about transit funds in the proposed Federal Jobs bill and how GMT may not be able to use the funds if they require the traditional 50% match. Commissioner Buermann asked GMT staff to develop a list of talking points that commissioners could use when discussing funding with Legislators and their staffs, for example suggest the match be eliminated.

Commissioner Pouech gave an update from the Hinesburg Select Board meeting; noting that the Select Board is creating a smaller sub-committee to discuss potential projects that could be implemented in the event that federal money becomes available.

GM Moore said that GMT staff will be working with rural RPCs to discuss valuable transit projects that can be implemented in the event that RPCs are unable to use all the federal money provided to them.

**Adjourn:**
Commissioner Pouech made a motion to adjourn, Commissioner Gallagher seconded. All were in favor and the meeting ended at 9:26AM.