

Scio Township Multimodal Transportation Committee

Committee Charge

As approved by Board of Trustees on 09/30/2025

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4/14/2026

Purpose: The Multimodal Transportation Committee (MTC) is established to advise, coordinate, and advocate for safe, sustainable, and accessible transportation options that serve the diverse needs of our community. The committee supports the development and integration of transportation systems that include walking, bicycling, public transit, micromobility (e.g., scooters), carpooling, and driving.

Scope and Responsibilities:

1. The Multimodal Transportation Committee: The Township Board hereby establishes the Scio Township Multimodal Transportation Committee.
2. Membership and Term of Office:
 - The Multimodal Transportation Committee shall consist of up to seven members to include two members of the Board of Trustees, two members of the Scio Township Planning Commission; the Scio Township Operations Director; two members who are residents using the transit services; and technical support from the Ann Arbor Area Transit Authority (AAATA), Western Washtenaw Area Value Express (WAVE); and from SEMCOG.
 - Appointments to the committee shall be approved by a majority vote of the Township Board.
 - The Committee shall select a Chair and Secretary.
 - Resignations from the Committee must be forwarded to the Township Board.
 - Committee members shall serve without compensation.
 - Committee members may be removed after a hearing, by a majority vote of the Township Board.

Meetings:

1. The Multimodal Transportation Committee shall set its meeting dates and meetings shall conform with the State of Michigan Open Meetings Act.
2. The Committee Secretary shall be responsible for keeping formal minutes of all meetings and providing copies to all members, the Township Clerk, and to others as stated in the charge. At a minimum, each set of minutes must include attendance, approval of past minutes, and all formal motions of the committee.
3. A majority of the members are required at a meeting to conduct business and approve actions and recommendations.

Authority:

1. The purpose of the committee is to review, analyze and research multimodal

transportation needs for Scio Township; and to provide recommendations to the Township Board to facilitate the Township Board's determination regarding transportation models for Township residents.

2. The Committee is not an independent entity and shall operate only within the parameters of the charge.
3. The Committee, acting as a body, shall not have the power or authority to bind or otherwise obligate the Township in any manner.
4. The Committee shall have no authority to obligate or expend funds, unless there is approval in advance by the Township Board.

Charge:

The Scio Township Multimodal Transportation Committee shall be charged with advising the Board of Trustees with recommendations, based on data, community input, and technical assistance regarding future multimodal transportation needs of the community. The committee's review and analysis shall include the following:

1. Evaluate existing transportation infrastructure, connectivity, and accessibility within the Township.
2. Identify safety concerns, barriers, and gaps in the current multimodal network.
3. Collaborate with regional partners, including WAVE, AAATA, SEMCOG, and Washtenaw County to align local priorities with regional transportation planning.
4. Support integration of multimodal transportation options with the Township Master Plan and Capital Improvement Plan.
5. Promote environmentally sustainable transportation practices that reduce greenhouse gas emissions and improve air quality.
6. Financial analysis and forecasting for bus transit for the next five years.
7. Current use of bus and transit services and the status of service delivery.
8. Recommendations regarding services that are currently not being provided and the rationale for the recommendations.
9. Based on service recommendations, provide budget projections and revenue and expenditure projections to provide services.
10. Community feedback and the impact of service changes including increase/decrease/cessation of services in future years.

Reporting:

The Multimodal Transportation Committee will report its findings and recommendations to the

Board of Trustees on a quarterly basis. A comprehensive final report will be submitted to the Board upon the completion of the committee's meeting charge.