



***Ithaca-Tompkins County
Transportation Council***



RESOLUTION 94-9

***AMENDING THE METROPOLITAN PLANNING AREA BOUNDARY FOR
THE ITHACA-TOMPKINS COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COUNCIL***

WHEREAS, the *Ithaca-Tompkins County Transportation Council* was designated by the Governor of the State of New York as the Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Ithaca metropolitan area; AND

WHEREAS, as the designated Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Ithaca Metropolitan Area the *Ithaca-Tompkins County Transportation Council* is charged with conducting transportation planning activities in a "continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive" manner; AND

WHEREAS, the *Ithaca-Tompkins County Transportation Council* is mandated by the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act with the responsibility of establishing a Metropolitan Planning Area Boundary as a necessary component of the metropolitan transportation planning process; AND

WHEREAS, the Policy Committee of the *Ithaca-Tompkins County Transportation Council* did on September 14, 1993 approve resolution 93-19 establishing the Urbanized Area Boundary as an interim Metropolitan Planning Area Boundary and requiring the re-examination of the interim boundary prior to September, 1994; AND

WHEREAS, the Policy Committee has fully re-examined the Metropolitan Planning Area Boundary issue, including geographic coverage and adjustments to the membership of the MPO in order to foster an effective planning process; AND

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the *Ithaca-Tompkins County Transportation Council* does hereby amend the interim Metropolitan Planning Area Boundary and adopts a Metropolitan Planning Area Boundary contiguous with the geographical boundary of Tompkins County;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the *Ithaca-Tompkins County Transportation Council* does hereby amend its adopted by-laws, the Unified Operations Plan, in order to accommodate the adjustments to membership and corresponding changes in operating procedures necessary to effectively implement the new boundary;

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the *Ithaca-Tompkins County Transportation Council* does hereby amend its adopted Unified Operations Plan by incorporating the changes identified in "ATTACHMENT A", which is attached to and hereby an integral part of this resolution;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the *Ithaca-Tompkins County Transportation Council* does hereby direct and authorize its Director to provide the necessary information, documentation, and assistance to the affected Local, State and Federal entities involved in the implementation these amendments.

This resolution having been considered and approved on December 13, 1994.

Benjamin Nichols, Chair

Charles E. Moynihan, Secretary

Amendment 1) **Section II.A.1, "Policy Committee Membership"**: The following will added to the section regarding "Non-Voting Members" at the bottom of page 3.

- **One representative from each of the following groupings, selected jointly on a biennial and rotating basis:**
 - a) the Towns of Ulysses, Enfield, and Newfield
 - b) the Towns of Danby and Caroline
 - c) the Town of Dryden
 - d) the Towns of Lansing and Groton

Amendment 2) **Section II.B.1, "Planning Committee Membership"**: The following will added to the section regarding "Typical Members" beginning on the bottom of page 6 and continued at the top of page 7.

**Town of Caroline
Town of Danby
Town of Dryden
Town of Enfield
Town of Groton
Town of Lansing
Town of Newfield
Town of Ulysses**

Amendment 3) **Section II.B.1, "Planning Committee Membership"**: The following will added to the section regarding "Voting Members" beginning near the middle of page 7.

Town of Caroline	Town of Danby
Town of Dryden	Town of Enfield
Town of Groton	Town of Lansing
Town of Newfield	Town of Ulysses

Amendment 4) **Section II.B.3, "Decision Making"**: The following will replace the section beginning at the bottom of page 7.

The following member entities shall be entitled to two voting seats each on the Planning Committee: Tompkins County, City of Ithaca, Town of Ithaca, Village of Cayuga Heights, Village of Lansing, New York State Department of Transportation, and Cornell University.

The following member entities shall be entitled to one voting seat each on the Planning Committee: Town of Caroline, Town of Danby, Town of Dryden, Town of Enfield, Town of Groton, Town of Lansing, Town of Newfield, Town of Ulysses, and the Operations Committee of the Ithaca Tompkins Transit Center.

Recommendations to the Policy Committee will require a simple affirmative majority of all votes cast. Actions taken pursuant to Sections 7.2 and 7.4 to make minor changes in the Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP), Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), and Central Staff budget, will require a two-thirds majority of all votes cast.

A quorum, consisting of eight voting members or their officially designated representatives, must be present in order for the Planning Committee to take formal action. Designation of official representatives must be made in writing to the Planning Committee Chairperson and may be made on either a standing basis or for specific meetings. Voting by proxy is permitted with written documentation.

On those occasions when action may be sought without convening a meeting, the Planning Committee Chairperson will review the issue at hand and determine the appropriateness of mail, fax or electronic conferencing. Upon completion of polling, the Chairperson will notify all Planning Committee members of the result.