

# Town of East Greenbush / Town of North Greenbush / CDTC

## US Route 4 Corridor Study Kick-off Meeting

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### Meeting Summary

**Purpose:** Kick-off Meeting  
**Date and Time:** Monday, April 28, 2022, 10:00 am  
**Location:** CDTC Office, 1 Park Place, Albany, NY  
**Attendees:** See Attached

Agenda Item	Discussion	Key Decisions and Outcomes
<p><b>Welcome and Introductions</b></p>	<p>Jaclyn Hakes (MJ) welcomed the attendees and provided an opportunity for “around the room” introductions.</p>	<p>N/A</p>
<p><b>Review and clarify project scope and public participation methods</b></p>	<p>MJ introduced engagement/public participation methods to reach maximum number of study area stakeholder; overall engagement techniques will be flexible to adapt to the community’s needs to possibly allow for hybrid meetings as well.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Interactive Virtual Workshops</li> <li>• Focus group meetings</li> <li>• Online Community Survey</li> <li>• Pop-up meetings</li> <li>• Project Website</li> <li>• Trident for SAC use</li> </ul> <p>MJ will prepare a project website to include opportunity for public comments and a central location to post information and documents for the project.</p> <p>The core team and SAC will work together to get input from Route 4 stakeholders throughout the entire project period</p>	<p>Core project team suggested to hold meetings with both East Greenbush and North Greenbush to get a municipal consensus. Meeting space to be determined but North Greenbush stated their public meetings have a very large turnout and the space needs to accommodate.</p>
<p><b>Discussion of key issues</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• East Greenbush hopes to use 9/20 to take some of the pressure off the Route 4 corridor.</li> <li>• Lack of planning along the corridor has created the 5,4, and 3 lane sections</li> </ul>	<p>N/A</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mabys and Garlick farms use the corridor for egress to I90</li> <li>• Cutting down on curb cuts with combined signalized intersections should be priority</li> <li>• Study area should include schools because they are looking to add egress onto Mannix Rd.</li> </ul>	
<b>Coordination with Ongoing/Related Initiatives</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• North Greenbush is looking to complete 3 miles of water lines going from Snyder's Lake to Route 4</li> <li>• The study should incorporate the north Greenbush Sidewalk Comprehensive plan</li> <li>• North Greenbush just spent 2.5 million on traffic improvements north of 43 and 4</li> <li>• Rt 43 should be done mid-June</li> <li>• East Greenbush currently has a project just outside the study area from I90 off ramp to Luther Road roundabout</li> <li>• East Greenbush will look to fold in the zoning update into the process as well to make zoning in town and especially in the study area consistent with the goals of the corridor study</li> </ul>	Towns to provide MJ with relevant studies and plans
<b>Discuss existing conditions data needs</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CDTC had ATR counters out and this data will be used to schedule traffic counts</li> <li>• Possible Saturday midday count</li> <li>• Will need to work with EG and NG for volunteer hours for turning movement counts</li> <li>• DOT is redoing crash data website*</li> <li>• Regional maps from CDTC</li> <li>• Environmental Justice to be done by CDTC possibly in Spanish and Chinese</li> </ul>	Schedule turning movement counts ASAP
<b>Finalize Study Advisory Committee (SAC) membership</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CDTC to contact NYSDOT, CDRPC, CDTA, and Rensselaer County for a SAC member</li> <li>• EG – Jack, Adam, Anna</li> <li>• NG – Joseph, Tom/ new comptroller</li> </ul>	CDTC and Towns to finalize SAC
<b>Next Steps</b>	<p>Jaclyn Hakes (MJ) reviewed the next steps.</p> <p>Committee discussed Public Workshop #1 format and continuing the public outreach once data collection is done.</p>	Once SAC is finalized doodle poll for meeting date and time.

## Attendance

Name	Affiliation
Chaim Simon	CDTC
Chris Bauer	CDTC
Tom Germono	Town of North Greenbush Comptroller
Joseph Bott	Town of North Greenbush Supervisor
Adam Yagelski	Town of East Greenbush Planning Director
Dan Fiacco	Town of East Greenbush Commissioner
Jack Conway	Town of East Greenbush Supervisor
Anna Feltham	Town of East Greenbush Planner
Jaclyn Hakes	MJ Engineering
Andris Blumbergs	MJ Engineering
Brian Cooper	MJ Engineering
Chad Schneider	MJ Engineering

This meeting summary conveys our understanding of the items discussed and agreements reached at this meeting. Please forward any additions, corrections and/or questions to my attention.

Submitted by:

Andris Blumbergs, MJ Engineering and Land Surveying, PC

cc: Consultant Team, CTDC, City Planning Department, Project File