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Richmond Regional Transportation Planning Organization (RRTPO) Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)

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Richmond Regional Transportation Planning Organization

Technical Advisory Committee

Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, October 14, 2025 - 9:00 a.m.

Zoom Meeting (webinar link provided in agenda cover page)

1. **Welcome and Introductions**
(Chair Adams)
2. **Roll Call & Certification of a Quorum**
(Janice Scott)
3. **Consideration of Amendments to the Meeting Agenda**
(Chair Adams)
4. **Approval of September 9, 2025, TAC Meeting Minutes** – page 4
(Chair Adams)
Action requested: approval of minutes as presented (voice vote).
5. **Open Public Comment Period**
(Chair Adams /5 minutes)
6. **TAC Chair's Report**
(Chair Adams /10 minutes)
7. **FY24 – FY27 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment – UPC 124712 - #SMART24 - BROAD ST STREETScape W/ PULSE BRT EXP PHASE III** – page 7
(Will Heller/5 minutes)
Action Item.
8. **Transit Program & MERIT Update**
(Will Heller/20 minutes)
Information Item.
9. **Transportation Agency Updates**
(10 minutes)
 - a. **DRPT** – Hudson
 - b. **GRTC** – Robinson
 - c. **RideFinders** – O'Keefe
 - d. **VDOT** – Siodmok
10. **[PlanRVA Newsletter: The Better Together Connector \(linked\)](#)**
Information item.

11. TAC Member Comments

(Chair Adams /5 minutes)

12. Next Meeting: Tuesday, November 18, 2025, at 9:00 a.m.

(Chair Adams)

13. Adjournment

(Chair Adams)

**Richmond Regional Transportation Planning Organization
Technical Advisory Committee
Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, September 9, 2025 - 9:00 a.m.
Zoom Meeting**

Members and Alternates (Present – X):

Town of Ashland		Charles City County		Chesterfield County	
Nora D. Amos		Sheri Adams, Chair	X	J.J. Banuelos	X
Goochland County		Gary Mitchell (A)		Barbara K. Smith (A)	
Patrick Longerbeam	X				
Josh Gillespie (A)		Hanover County		Henrico County	
New Kent County		Joseph E. Vidunas	X	Sharon Smidler	X
Amy Inman	X	Randy Hardman (A)		Ashley Austin	
Capital Region Airport Commission (CRAC)		Powhatan County		City of Richmond	
John B. Rutledge		Ligon Webb	X	Dironna Moore Clarke	X
PlanRVA				GRTC	
Myles Busching	X	DRPT		Patricia Robinson	X
Sulabh Aryal (A)	X	Wood Hudson	X	Corey Robinson (A)	X
RideFinders		Tiffany T. Dubinsky (A)		VDOT	
John O’Keefe (A)	X	RMTA		Naomi Siodmok	X
		Theresa Simmons		Todd Scheid (A)	X

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1. Welcome and Introductions

Chair Adams opened the meeting at 9:00 a.m. and welcomed attendees. It was noted that the next RRTPO TAC meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 14, 2025.

2. Roll Call & Certification of a Quorum

Janice Scott, PlanRVA, certified that a quorum was present.

3. Consideration of Amendments to the Meeting Agenda

There were no requested amendments to the agenda.

4. Approval of August 12, 2025, Meeting Minutes

On motion Sharon Smidler, seconded by John O’Keefe, the members of the RRTPO Technical Advisory Committee voted to approve the meeting minutes as presented (voice vote).

5. Open Public Comment Period

There were no requests to offer public comment.

6. TAC Chairman's Report

Chair Adams did not have a formal report.

Nora Amos joined the meeting at approximately 9:06 a.m.

7. FY24 – FY27 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment – UPC 127888 - #SMART26 I-95/Route 10 Interchange Improvement, Phase II

Will Heller, PlanRVA, presented this request and reported that VDOT made an update to replace the previous UPC. The I-95/Rt.10 Interchange Improvement project is modifying the existing interchange to a partial cloverleaf interchange. Specific improvements from phase II of the project include removing both the NB I-95 to westbound Rt. 10 loop ramp and the SB I-95 to EB Rt. 10 loop ramp, signaling the SB and NB I-95 Rt. 10 off-ramp intersection and widening the NB and SB off-ramps at their respective Rt. 10 intersection to create 3 left turn lanes for both the EB and WB. Additional improvements in phase II of the project include adding a 600' single lane driveway to the facility in the SW loop, adding a NB and SB acceleration lane onto I-95, adding 3400' of sidewalk on the southside of Rt. 10 from the western interchange through the interchange to Old Stage Rd, 750' sidewalk on the north side of Rt. 10 from Chestnut Hill Rd to Old Stage Rd, 600' of sidewalk on the north side of Rt. 10 from Redwater Creek Rd to SB I-95 off Ramp, and modifying the signal at Rt. 10 and Old Stage Rd. to provide a pedestrian crossing.

On motion Dironna Moore Clarke, seconded by JJ Banuelos, the members of the RRTPO Technical Advisory Committee voted to recommend RRTPO Policy Board approval of the proposed TIP amendment as requested by VDOT. (voice vote).

8. Safety Program & Plan Update

Dan Motta, PlanRVA, provided this update and reported the process will update the 2022 safety program. The high injury networks in that plan are being re-evaluated.

- Updating the plan into a formal safety action plan
- Establishing a
- Support VDOT safety studies and initiatives as needed
- Continue to monitor progress and updates to the

Following the presentation, committee members had comments and questions. Recent fatalities and the number of accidents occurring on secondary roads were discussed.

Mr. Motta and Myles Busching clarified the following:

- Specific public outreach efforts are still being determined.
- By updating the plan to a safety action plan, SS4A funding for implementation will be available. Another cycle is expected next year; this may be a study cycle. With Federal reauthorization coming up, staff will monitor the status of the program.
- Staff will be working with representatives of the Safe Routes to School program as part of this process.
- Data collected on near misses will be incorporated into the plan going forward.

The [Drive Smart Virginia](#) website link was shared with members.

TAC members expressed the desire to have an update on this matter as a standing agenda item for each TAC meeting (or possibly every other meeting). Bringing in participants from other interests groups was also suggested.

9. Transportation Agency Updates

a. DRPT

Wood Hudson provided an update on current and upcoming DRPT activity.

b. GRTC

Corey Robinson provided an update on current and upcoming GRTC activity.

c. RideFinders

John O’Keefe provided an update on current and upcoming RideFinders activity.

d. VDOT

Naomi Siodmok provided an update on recent and upcoming VDOT activities.

10. PlanRVA Newsletter: The Better Together Connector

This was an information item.

11. TAC Member Comments

There were no member comments.

12. Next Meeting

Chair Adams noted the next meeting will be held on October 14, 2025.

13. Adjournment

Chair Adams adjourned the meeting at 10:52 a.m.

ACTION ITEM

October 14, 2025

TO Technical Advisory Committee

SUBJECT FY24 – FY27 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) – UPC
124712 - #SMART24 Broad St. Streetscape W/ Pulse BRT Expansion,
Phase III

BRIEF:

The Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) submitted a request to amend the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to add the 124712 - #SMART24 Broad St. Streetscape W/ Pulse BRT Expansion project. This represents the third phase of the streetscape and expansion project which will provide multiple multimodal safety and operational improvements along 1.6 miles of Broad St. from Malvern Ave. to Libbie Ave.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

The Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) should recommend approval of the proposed TIP amendment as requested by VDOT.

DISCUSSION:

Under Federal law and agreements with state agencies, the Richmond Regional Transportation Planning Organization (RRTPO) has authority to select projects and program regional Carbon Reduction Program (CRP), Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ), and Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) funds, including the Transportation Alternatives (TA) set-aside.

For other funding programs, the RRTPO does not have authority to select projects but is responsible for adding projects to the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). Based on federal regulations and RRTPO policy, all projects proposed to be added to the TIP are screened for consistency with the regional long-term transportation plan, ConnectRVA 2045, and the regional conformity assessment. All proposed revisions are also evaluated for fiscal constraint, or the ability to fund the project with projected revenues.

The proposed amendment requested by VDOT has been reviewed by staff and found consistent with the requirements for RRTPO approval. Draft TIP blocks can be found in Attachment A. A summary of the findings for each requirement is included below.

[Project Overview:](#)

The third phase of the Broad St. Streetscape and Pulse Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Expansion project will provide multiple multimodal operational and safety improvements for 1.6 miles of Broad St. The project improvements were identified through the VDOT STARS study: Route 250 West Broad St.: Libbie Ave to Malvern Ave./Westwood Ave. The project solutions can be separated into broad categories: pedestrian improvements and BRT infrastructure improvements. Improvements for the BRT include extending the dedicated BRT lines on either side of the road from Malvern Ave. to Staples Mill Rd. and adding a westbound transit queue jump lane at Staples Mill Rd. Pedestrian improvements include sidewalk in-fill for pedestrian accessible routes and ADA accessible ramp improvements, high visibility crosswalks, and a pedestrian hybrid beacon with a pedestrian refuge island. In addition to pedestrian and BRT improvements the project also calls for streetscape amenities and increased access management by providing dedicated left-turn lanes, closing unsignalized median openings, and improving bike, ped, and transit access at 13 bus stops.

ConnectRVA 2045 Consistency: ConnectRVA 2045 establishes categories of projects which are regional in nature and must be included in the constrained long-range plan (CLRP) prior to the inclusion in the TIP. Conversely, other project types are considered either local or programmatic in nature and can advance without being specifically listed. The project types under each category can be reviewed in Chapter 5 of ConnectRVA 2045. This project is considered regionally significant as it impacts capacity on an arterial, and, while the individual project is not separately listed in our CLRP, this project is a precursor and necessary component of a project in our CLRP (FTR-6).

Figure 1 below graphically shows the consistency review process.

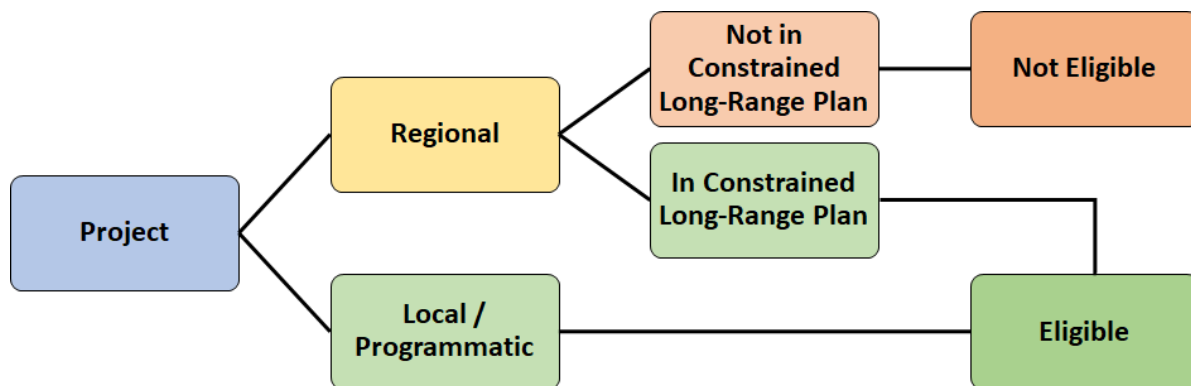


Figure 1: ConnectRVA 2045 Consistency Workflow

Air Quality Conformity: Portions of the RRTPO were formerly part of the 1997 8-hour Ozone Maintenance Area and projects in these areas must either be part of the Regional Conformity Assessment or must be exempt from air quality conformity analysis under federal regulations prior to being added to the TIP. This

project is not exempt from air quality conformity; however, historical precedent and consultation on earlier phases indicate that this type of project is not regionally significant for conformity, and therefore, it will not trigger a new regional conformity analysis.

Fiscal Constraint: The funding changes are as follows: add \$2,244,280 (NHPP) to FFY26 PE phase.

Federal Fund Source Description:

NHS/NHPP – The National Highway Performance Program provides support for the condition and performance of the National Highway System (NHS), for the construction of new facilities on the NHS, and to ensure that investments of Federal aid funds in highway construction are directed to support progress toward the achievement of performance targets established in a State’s asset management plan for the NHS. This funding code incorporates previous NHS, IM, and some BR fund codes.

For more information, please contact Will Heller at wheller@planrva.org or 804-924-9618.

Attachment

- A. Draft TIP Project Blocks

Attachment A – Draft TIP Block

UPC NO	124712	SCOPE	Transit			
SYSTEM	Primary	JURISDICTION	Richmond	OVERSIGHT	NFO	
PROJECT	#SMART24 – BROAD ST STREETScape W/ PULSE BRT EXP, PHASE III			ADMIN BY	Locally	
DESCRIPTION	FROM: MALVERN AVENUE TO: LIBBIE AVENUE (1.6000 MI)					
PROGRAM NOTE	TIP AMD – add \$2,244,280 (NHPP) FFY26 PE phase					
ROUTE/STREET	BROAD STREET (0250)			TOTAL COST	\$23,852,736	
	FUND SOURCE	MATCH	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
PE	Federal - NHS/NHPP	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,244,280	\$0