



**RICHMOND REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION
COMMUNITY TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CTAC)**

**Minutes of Zoom Meeting
July 21, 2022, 12:00 p.m.**

MEMBERS and ALTERNATES (A) PRESENT: (all virtual)

Town of Ashland		Charles City County		Chesterfield County	
Upton S. Martin, FY 22 Chair	X	Vacant		Susan Beals	
Don Root (A)	X			Herbert A. Richwine	X
				Starrie Jordan (A)	X
Goochland County		Hanover County		Henrico County	
Robert L. Basham Jr.	X	H. Charles Rasnick	X	Amber B. Lancaster	X
New Kent County		Powhatan County		City of Richmond	
Lisa M. Guthrie, FY23 Chair	X	Robert W. Powers	X	Andrew Bunn	
John P. Moyer (A)		Vacant (A)		Sera Erickson	
				Shelley Allmond (A)	
				Clinton Smith (A)	
Chamber RVA		Natl. Assoc. for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP), Richmond VA Branch		League of Women Voters (LWV)	
John Easter	X	James J. Minor III		Sarah Weisiger	X
		Walter L. Johnson Jr. (A)	X	Karen Rosenblum (A)	
RIC Area Bicycling Assoc. (RABA)		Richmond Office of Equitable Transit and Mobility		RVA Rapid Transit	
Champe M. Burnley		Kelli N. Rowan	X	Faith Walker	
John Hamilton					
Senior Connections		VA Assoc. of Railway Patrons (VARP)		Virginia Commonwealth University (VCU)	
Tony Williams		Michael Testerman	X	John D. Leonard	X
				Jesse MacLelland (A)	
VA Conservation Network (VCN)					
Wyatt Gordon					
Frederick S. Fisher (A)					

The technology used for this meeting was a web-hosted service created by Zoom and YouTube Live Streaming and was open and accessible for participation by members of the public. A recording of this meeting is available on our [Plan RVA YouTube Channel](#).

CALL TO ORDER

The Richmond Regional Transportation Planning Organization (RRTPO) Community Transportation Advisory Committee Chair, Upton S. Martin, presided and called the July 21, 2022, RRTPO CTAC meeting to order at 12:01 p.m.

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Chair Upton welcomed committee members, staff and guests to the meeting, including new member, Kelly N. Rowan of the Richmond Office of Equitable Transit and Mobility.

ROLL CALL & CERTIFICATION OF A QUORUM

Janice Firestone, Program Coordinator, certifies that a quorum was present.

A. ADMINISTRATION

1. Consideration of Amendments to the Meeting Agenda

Ken Lantz, PlanRVA, reported that Mr. Boyagian was unable to be here today to give the presentation for Item B.-1. - Overview of Federal Transportation Funding Programs. that item will need to be removed from this agenda and rescheduled at a later date. Seeing and hearing no other amendments or objections, the July 21, 2022, agenda was approved by acclamation as amended.

2. Approval of the May 19, 2022, CTAC Meeting Minutes

On motion of H. Charles Rasnick, seconded by John Leonard, the Community Transportation Advisory Committee (CTAC) unanimously approved the minutes of the May 19, 2022, meeting by acclamation as presented.

3. Open Public Comment

There were no requests to address the RRTPO Community Transportation Advisory Committee.

4. Affirmation of FY23 Officers

Chair Martin announced that under the CTAC leadership rotation practices, New Kent County is next in line to have its representative serve as Chair and the City of Richmond as Vice Chair. He announced the FY23 CTAC leadership:

- -Lisa Guthrie, Chair
- -Sera Erickson, Vice Chair

5. CTAC Chairman's Report

Chair Guthrie thanked the committee members for the opportunity to serve as Chair.

6. RRTPO Updates

a. RRTPO and TAC Meetings Report for May and June

b. Current Work Efforts

c. CVTA Update

Mr. Lantz provided a recap of recent Policy Board, TAC and CVTA actions.

B. NEW BUSINESS

1. Overview of Federal Transportation Funding Programs (removed from agenda)

2. Overview of State Transportation Funding Programs

Danny Plaucher, Virginians for High-Speed Rail). Danny Plaucher, Deputy Director of the Virginia Transit Association, provided an overview of transportation funding in Virginia. He noted that transportation funding in the state dates to 1923, when a \$.03 tax per gallon was instituted. In 2020-2021, the state gas tax was increased to \$0.262 per gallon and tied to inflation via the Consumer Price Index (CPI), and regional gas taxes tied to the CPI were also instituted. Mr. Plaucher noted that in addition to the sales tax on motor fuel, other state funding sources include license fees, sales and use taxes, retail sales and use taxes, insurance premium fees, and truck registration fees and road taxes. For FY23, the revenues flowing into the Commonwealth Transportation are expected to total \$4.621 billion. Mr. Plaucher noted that in addition to supporting highway maintenance (\$2.275 billion) and construction (\$2.186 billion), the state transportation dollars support the Commonwealth Mass Transit Fund (\$502,788,510), the Commonwealth Rail Fund (\$163,952,775), Commonwealth Port Fund (\$54,650,925), and Commonwealth Aviation Fund (\$32,790,555).

3. Overview of CVTA Funding

Chair Guthrie provided a status update on funding provided by the Central Virginia Transportation Authority. As of June 2022, funding distributions included \$85.6 million to local projects; \$25.7 million to GRTC; and \$59.9 million to regional projects. For fiscal years 23-26 the Authority is projecting revenue of \$276.4 million. Ms. Guthrie noted that Authority has made a priority commitment to the Fall Line Trail, with a majority of the FY21 and 22 revenues being dedicated to this project. Ms. Guthrie also reviewed the CVTA's regional project selection framework, steps leading to project selection, and project eligibility criteria. She noted that the Authority has selected 30 projects for funding and has dedicated \$276.4 million. The Authority has also approved \$100 million for the improvement of I-64 outside of the regional project grouping.

C. OTHER BUSINESS

1. Future Meeting Topics

Chair Guthrie reviewed the topics slated for future meetings and asked committee members to submit suggestions they may have for other future meeting topics.

2. CTAC Member Comments

Kelli Rowan announced that Richmond Connects has launched its first phase of community engagement and needs input on what needs to be improved – for walking, riding a bike, or taking transit in Richmond.

[Survey - Richmond Connects \(rvaconnects.com\)](https://rvaconnects.com).

Ms. Rowan also shared information about Richmond's efforts to provide transportation for under-served communities. They are hoping to partner with local groups to use grant funds towards van pools, micro-transit and other programs that provide transportation for work and school related transit . They plan to launch the program in the next couple weeks, targeted toward the public housing communities in the city.

3. Next Meeting:

The next meeting will be on September 15th and will be virtual

D. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Guthrie adjourned the meeting at approximately 1:17 p.m.

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