

AGENDA

RICHMOND REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION COMMUNITY TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Thursday, May 20, 2021
12:00 p.m.

Zoom Meeting

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WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

(Basham)

STATEMENT REGARDING VIRTUAL MEETINGS

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ROLL CALL & CERTIFICATION OF A QUORUM

(Basham)

ACTION REQUESTED

A. ADMINISTRATION

1. Consideration of Amendments to the Meeting Agenda

(Basham)

2. Approval of the March 18, 2021 CTAC Meeting Minutes

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ACTION REQUESTED

3. Open Public Comment Period

(Basham/5 minutes).....

4. CTAC Chairman’s Report

(Basham/5 minutes).....

5. RRTPO Updates

(Parsons/10 minutes).....page 6

a. RRTPO and TAC Meetings Report for March and April

b. Current Work Efforts

B. NEW BUSINESS

- 1. COVID-19 and Its Implications on Commuting and Telework**
(Chris Arabia, VDRPT/20 minutes).....
- 2. Richmond International Airport Ground Transportation and Parking**
(John Rutledge or Troy Bell Capital Region Airport Commission/20 minutes)...
- 3. Disability Inclusive Transportation-Assessment of First/Last Mile Conditions in the Richmond Region**
(Rebekah Cazares, PlanRVA/ 20 minutes).....
- 4. ConnectRVA 2045 Update**
(Sulabh Aryal, PlanRVA/20 minutes).....page 14
- 5. Election of FY22 CTAC Officers**
(Basham/10 minutes).....page 15
ACTION REQUESTED

C. OTHER BUSINESS

- 1. CTAC Announcements and Open Comment**
(Basham/5 minutes).....
- 2. Future Meeting Topics**
(Basham/5 minutes).....page 16
- 3. CTAC Member Comments**
(Basham/5 minutes).....
- 4. Next Meeting: July 15, 2021**
(Basham).....

D. ADJOURNMENT

KEL/nm
Attachments

pc: Patricia A. Paige, RRTPO Policy Board Chair	Liz McAdory, VDOT
Jennifer DeBruhl, DRPT	Ron Svejksky, Tri-Cities MPO
Richard Duran, FHWA	CTAC Interested Parties
Martha Heeter, RRPDC	Area News Media
Daniel Koenig, FTA	

Opening Statement for Electronic Meetings

Due to the 2020 COVID-19 virus and current guidance regarding physical distancing to reduce the potential for spread, meetings of the Richmond Regional Planning District Commissions have transitioned to a virtual format in accordance with provisions of Virginia Code § 2.2-3708.2 and related legislation approved by the General Assembly of Virginia during the period of the Governor's State of Emergency Declaration for COVID-19.

While we meet in a remote/virtual format, we remain committed to public accessibility and opportunity to participate. Staff provided notice of this meeting to members and the public on May 13, 2021 through electronic posting on the PlanRVA website and email distribution of notice to members, alternates, and known interested parties, including the media.

This meeting will be recorded. Audio and visual recordings of the meeting and materials will be posted on the PlanRVA website within 48 hours of this meeting.

Any member of the public participating as an observer during the meeting today may submit comments or questions at any time prior to or during the meeting via email at rrtpoinput@PlanRVA.org. All comments and questions submitted at this time will be reviewed following the meeting and to the extent practical, responses will be provided or posted on the PlanRVA website.

We ask that members identify themselves first when speaking so we can more accurately record the activities of the meeting. All lines should be muted to minimize additional noise and feedback. You may unmute your line at any time to request acknowledgement from the Chair.

Please let us know if you have any questions regarding the process for assuring effective facilitation of this meeting or for how members of the public may participate.

By providing this statement, staff certifies that we have followed the approved procedures for appropriate notice of this meeting and the means by which we are convening.

Please indicate your presence by saying "HERE" when your name is called during a roll call. Anyone who wishes to identify themselves following the roll call of members will be invited to do so.

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

**MINUTES OF MEETING
Zoom Virtual Meeting
March 18, 2021
12:00 p.m.**

MEMBERS and ALTERNATES (A) PRESENT:

Town of Ashland		Charles City County		Chesterfield County	
Upton S. Martin FY21 Vice Chair	x	Vacant		Susan Beals	x
				Herbert A. Richwine	x
				Starrie Jordan (A)	
Goochland County		Hanover County		Henrico County	
Robert L. Basham Jr. FY21 Chair	x	H. Charles Rasnick		Amber B. Lancaster	x
New Kent County		Powhatan County		City of Richmond	
Lisa M. Guthrie	x	Robert W. Powers	x	Sera Erickson	x
John P. Moyer (A)		Vacant (A)		Vacant	
				Devon Barnhart (A)	
				Hwan Hill (A)	
Chamber RVA		Natl. Assoc. for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP), Richmond Virginia Branch		League of Women Voters (LWV)	
John Easter	x	James J. Minor III		Virginia P. Cowles	x
Sam Mayman (A)		Walter L. Johnson Jr. (A)	x	Mary Crutchfield (A)	
RIC Area Bicycling Assoc. (RABA)		VA Assoc. of Railway Patrons (VARP)		Virginia Conservation Network (VCN)	
Lloyd Vye		Michael Testerman	x	Wyatt Gordon	
Champe M. Burnley (A)	x			Frederick S. Fisher (A)	x
Virginia Commonwealth University (VCU)					
John D. Leonard	x				

The RRTPO Community Transportation Advisory Committee (CTAC) meeting was held by electronic communication means as set forth by the April 22, 2020 actions of the General Assembly in response to the continued spread of novel coronavirus, or COVID-19. 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, Robert L. Basham Jr., presided and called the March 18, 2021 RRTPO CTAC meeting to order at 12:03 p.m.

A moment of silence in remembrance of William “Bill” Steele was observed. Lloyd “Bud” Vye was recognized for improving regional transportation and honored as one of the 2021 Richmond History Makers.

ATTENDANCE ROLL CALL & CERTIFICATION OF MEETING QUORUM

Nicole Mueller, Program Coordinator, took attendance by roll call and certified that a quorum was present.

A. ADMINISTRATION

1. Consideration of Amendments to the Meeting Agenda

There were no requested changes to the meeting agenda. Seeing and hearing no objections the March 18, 2021 agenda was approved by acclamation as presented (voice vote).

2. Approval of the January 21, 2021 RRTPO CTAC Meeting Minutes

There were no requested changes to the meeting minutes.

On motion of Lisa M. Guthrie, seconded by Virginia P. Cowles, the Community Transportation Advisory Committee (CTAC) unanimously approved the minutes of the January 21, 2021 meeting by acclamation as presented (voice vote).

3. Open Public Comment Period

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

4. CTAC Chairman’s Report – Chair Basham had nothing to report.

5. RRTPO Updates – Chet Parsons, RRTPO Secretary, reported as follows:

a. RRTPO Policy Board and TAC Meetings Report for January and February

The following major business and action items from the January 12, 2021 and February 9, 2021 RRTPO Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) meetings and the February 4, 2021 and March 4, 2021 RRTPO Policy Board meetings were included:

- SMART SCALE Update
- ConnectRVA 2045 Update – Vision, Goals & Objectives
- Federal Performance Measures
- RSTP Transfer Requests

**A copy of the report given by Chet Parsons is available at [RRTPO Policy Board and TAC Meetings Report Page 6-9](#)

b. Current Work Efforts – Mr. Parsons highlighted several work efforts including:

- ConnectRVA 2045 Long-Range Transportation Plan
- Ashland Trolley Line Trail Study
- Regional Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan Update
- Ashland Complete Streets Pilot Project
- Active Transportation Work Group (ATWG)
- Public Transportation Work Group
- Vision Zero Work Group
- RSTP/CMAQ Subcommittee
- Rural Transportation Advisory Committee (RTAC)

**A copy of the report given by Chet Parsons is available at [Current Work Efforts Page 10-11](#)

B. NEW BUSINESS

1. GRTC Update

Ms. Julie Timm, Vice President, Chief Executive Officer at GRTC Transit System, provided an overview of the GRTC. She reviewed GRTC's FY21 and FY22 budgets; defining GRTC's target market; issues associated with equitable transit service; and next steps associated with the provision of public transit services in the region.

**A copy of the presentation given by Ms. Timm is available at [Presentation: Item B.1. GRTC Update](#)

2. High Speed Passenger Rail

Mr. Daniel Plaughter, Executive Director at Virginians for High Speed Rail, presented "The Case for Passenger Rail & Transforming Rail in Virginia." He reviewed trends in state travel, the estimated costs of the infrastructure that would be required to accommodate that travel, and the role of passenger rail in meeting projected travel levels. Mr. Plaughter noted the existing and proposed features of the state's passenger rail network and their implications for travel to and from the Richmond region.

**A copy of the presentation provided by Mr. Plaughter is available at: [Presentation: Item B.2. High Speed Passenger Rail](#)

3. General Assembly 2021 Session Legislative Update

Ms. Barbara Jacocks, Principal Planner at RRTPO, provided an overview of the bills from the 2021 session of the General Assembly being tracked by the Virginia Chapter of the American Planning Association. She noted that there are five house and companion senate bills and one joint house-senate study that are being followed, and the issues addressed by the bills include the content of comprehensive plans; determining if projects included in VDOT's Six-Year Improvement Program are designed to be resilient; establishing an Interagency Environmental Justice Working Group; passing of bicyclists by motor vehicles and permitting bicyclists to treat stop signs as yield signs; adding the Executive Director of the Virginia Port Authority to the membership of the Central Virginia Transportation Authority; and

undertaking a study to identify what is needed to achieve the equitable delivery of transportation services and the modernization of transit in the state.

Ms. Jacocks noted that the Virginia APA was also tracking other bills pertaining to flexibility of outdoor refreshment areas, solar energy storage, tree replacement and conservation, environmental justice outreach related to environmental permits, a study of carbon sequestration, and a study of internal, attached, and detached accessory dwelling units as a strategy to address the state's affordable housing needs.

**A copy of the presentation provided by Ms. Jacocks is available at:
Presentation: [Item B.3. General Assembly 2021 Session Legislative Update](#)

C. OTHER BUSINESS

1. CTAC Announcements and Open Comment

There were no announcements or other comments.

2. Future Meeting Topics – Chair Robert L. Basham Jr. noted future meeting topics included in the agenda package. The following new topics were proposed by CTAC members:

- DRPT Transit Modernization and Equity Study
- I-64 Widening
- CVTA Update

3. CTAC Member Comments

No comments were offered.

4. Next CTAC Meeting: May 20, 2021

Chairman Basham noted the next meeting will be held on May 20, 2021, beginning at 12:00 p.m. in Richmond, Virginia.

D. ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Basham adjourned the meeting at approximately 1:42 p.m. on March 18, 2021.

KEL/nm

MEMORANDUM

To: RRTPO Community Transportation Advisory Committee (CTAC)

From: Chet Parsons, RRTPO Secretary

Date: May 20, 2021

Subj: RRTPO Policy Board and TAC Meetings Report

The following presents a report on major business and action items from the March 9, 2021, March 19, 2021, and April 13, 2021 RRTPO Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) meetings and the April 1, 2021 and May 6, 2021 Richmond Regional Transportation Planning Organization (RRTPO) Policy Board meeting.

TIP Modification – Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan

BACKGROUND: The Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan (PTASP) final rule (49 C.F.R. Part 673) intends to improve public transportation safety by guiding transit agencies to more effectively and proactively manage safety risks in their systems. It requires certain recipients and sub-recipients of Federal Transit Administration (FTA) grants that operate public transportation to develop and implement safety plans that, establish processes and procedures to support the implementation of Safety Management Systems (SMS). This rule specifically applies to recipients of the Urbanized Area Formula Grant Program (FTA 5307).

Pursuant to the PTASP final rule, GRTC has developed safety performance measures for fixed route and demand service. A summary of the GRTC measures is included below.

Performance Measures	Targets by Mode	
	Fixed Route	Paratransit/ Demand Response
Fatalities (total number of reportable fatalities per year)	0	0
Fatalities (rate per total vehicle revenue miles by mode)	0	0
Injuries (total number of reportable injuries per year)	108	60
Injuries (rate per total vehicle revenue miles by mode)	0.13	0.05
Safety events (total number of safety events per year)	144	96
Safety events (rate per total vehicle revenue miles by mode)	0.22	0.15
Distance between Major Failures	9,500 miles	15,500 miles
Distance between Minor Failures	3,200 miles	5,200 miles

Based on DRPT guidance, the TIP has been modified to include reference to GRTC's PTASP performance measures. The performance measures, including the PTASP measures, can be found in [Appendix C of the TIP](#) on the RRTPO website.

No action was requested. This item was for informational purposes only. **A copy of the presentation provided by Myles Busching, Planner, is available at: [Item 6. TIP Modification – Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan](#)

Regional Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan Update & Complete Streets

BACKGROUND: A steering committee made up of local, state, regional, and advocacy representatives have met eight times over the course of the last year to guide this in-house planning effort. Individual partner input has been instrumental in identifying major issues and needs and mapping an inventory of existing and proposed infrastructure to identify projects at different levels of scale, duration or complexity. The underlying premise of the plan is to more fully utilize the existing network of roadways, of natural features, respecting development context, demographic characteristics, and pieces of infrastructure that can knit together a multimodal network more fully capable of supporting a truly regional and active transportation network.

Since the last RRTPO Policy Board presentation of the bicycle and pedestrian planning effort in July 2020, the steering committee has made much progress, endorsing the plan framework formed by the Guiding Principles, Vision, Goals, and Objectives along with performance metrics that will help measure success of the plan over time. Staff continues to work with the steering committee to provide quantitative direction related to a variety of planning factors as indicators of progress toward accomplishing the Vision (i.e. environmental justice factors, travel patterns, high incident accident locations, roadway level of comfort) which will help set priorities for proposed projects with the best potential for implementation as part of the network for active transportation modes. The Complete Streets toolbox is continually being refined to serve as an effective implementation tool geared to the Richmond region.

No action was requested. Staff provides this plan framework for the Regional Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan for TPO review and comment. Staff will continue to provide regular updates throughout the program year with the intended completion by mid-2021. A recording of the presentation provided by Phil Riggan is available on our [Plan RVA YouTube Channel](#).

(New Link to the [Richmond Regional Bicycle & Pedestrian Plan Story Map](#))

FY22 – FY27 RSTP/CMAQ Allocations

BACKGROUND: Selecting and prioritizing projects for funding through sub allocated grants like RSTBG and CMAQ is one of the primary roles of the RRTPO in developing the regional transportation system. Projects selected by the RRTPO to receive funding are included in the Six-Year Improvement Program (SYIP) for adoption by the Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB).

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, revenues for transportation have been significantly reduced for the FY22 – FY27 SYIP. For CMAQ, expected allocations

have been reduced by \$6,870,585, or 13.2%, with annual reductions ranging from \$740,264 in FY23 to \$1,375,416 in FY26. For the RSTBG program, the reductions for the FY22 – FY27 period total \$15,901,338, or 12.6%, from the expected allocations level. Annual reductions range from \$2,503,758 in FY22 to \$2,848,217 in FY26.

ALLOCATIONS APPROACH: Due to the significant decrease in available allocations, staff has worked with VDOT to develop allocation plans focused on preserving existing projects; no new projects are recommended for funding in the draft plans. A balance has been retained for the outyears at a significantly reduced level to cover cost increases or further funding reductions and to allow for new project selection in future cycles. The balance held in reserve was reduced from previous levels by \$2.1M for CMAQ and \$7.2M for RSTBG.

In developing the draft plans, priority in funding was given to projects which are closer to completion. The draft plans maintain the schedules for all CMAQ projects with funding in the FY22 – FY27 period. For RSTBG, all but one of the projects receiving allocations in the FY22 – FY27 plan are kept on schedule.

At their April 1, 2021 meeting, the RRTPO Policy Board approved the allocation of Regional Surface Transportation Block Grant (RSTBG) and Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) funds.

FTA Section 5310 Program Grant Applications Endorsement

BACKGROUND: The FTA 5310 program, Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities, was developed to provide assistance in meeting special transportation needs of elderly persons and persons with disabilities by removing barriers to transportation services and expanding mobility options.

Federal Transit Administration Section 5310 funds are divided by three geographic categories, large urbanized areas, small urbanized areas and rural areas by the following formula:

60 percent to large urbanized areas with a population of 200,000 or greater;
20 percent to small urbanized areas with a population of 50,000 to 200,000; and
20 percent to rural areas (all other areas of the state).

In preparation for the February 1, 2021 application deadline for FTA Section 5310 funding, presentations were made to local human service agencies throughout the calendar year.

During these presentations, the discussion focused on providing information and answering questions about the application process that would be used to select projects supporting the regional Coordinated Human Services Mobility Plan. This competitive funding process seeks to fund projects that support the mobility and transportation needs of seniors and persons with disabilities.

DRPT Designated Recipient for the Richmond Urbanized Area

At its February 14, 2013 meeting, the RRTPO designated DRPT as the administrator of the FTA Section 5310 program funds apportioned for the Richmond Urbanized Area. As the administering agency for these funds, DRPT is responsible for reviewing, ranking and scoring applications; submitting selected

applicants for CTB review and consideration in the state's draft Six-Year Improvement Program (SYIP); conducting the project/program contract process; and conducting the grant program administration of these funds with FTA. Following the selection of projects by DRPT, the FY 21-24 Transportation Improvement Program will be amended to include the projects and allocations.

FY22 Applications

Eight applications were received and forwarded to DRPT for review and selection consideration. These applications requested \$1,783,020 in funding; \$918,193 is anticipated to be available from federal FY22 Section 5310 funds. These funds are available to support projects and programs in the Richmond Urbanized Area which includes portions of the Richmond and Crater Planning District Commissions. Capital projects are eligible for 80% federal funding and operating programs are eligible for 50% federal funding with the balance of the funds provided by the state and the applicant, with contributions of 40% and 10% respectively.

At their April 1, 2021 meeting, the RRTPO Policy Board endorsed the applications for Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5310 funds and found by the Department of Rail and Public Transportation (DRPT) to be eligible for FTA Section 5310 Program funds.

ConnectRVA 2045 Update

BACKGROUND: Staff has been developing a master list of potential regionally significant projects, a "Universe of Projects" for the Richmond region. This list is based on regional and local transportation studies, additional recommendations provided by LRTP Advisory Committee (AC) members, future transportation issues identified by the Richmond/Tri-Cities Travel Demand Model and public input received through the [ConnectRVA 2045 website](#), community engagement, and advisory committees.

PUBLIC COMMENT: The initial public review period for the Universe of Projects ran from March 8, 2021 until March 23, 2021 and was extended to run again from March 25, 2021 until April 15, 2021. The extension was made in response to public requests for additional time and AC recommendation.

Significant public comment was received through a combination of comments placed on the Wikimap of potential projects, direct comments on the ConnectRVA 2045 website, or direct emails received by staff. In total, staff received 151 comments in the initial period and 848 comments in the extended period, for a total of 999 comments across this range of opportunities for engagement over the 38-day period. Based on the comments received during this period, RRTPO staff worked with the jurisdictional staff to remove and add a few projects in the Universe of Projects.

The purpose of this stage of the planning process is to set the foundation for all the projects that RRTPO will test and rank for possible inclusion in the draft plan (this is what we are referring to as the Universe of Projects). By being on this list it doesn't mean any project is approved or that it is included in the plan - we still need to go through data-driven travel demand model testing, benefit/cost

analysis, and equity/social impact testing on each potential project. After that analysis is complete, the ranking of priority projects can be performed and compared with expected funding allocations to set the draft constrained project list. The draft constrained list is a condensed summary of projects that can reasonably be expected to receive funding during the planning period (through 2045) and fits within the anticipated budget. These steps will happen between now and September, with multiple opportunities for public feedback and engagement.

The final Universe of Projects and the compilation of all the public comments received from March 8, 2021 through April 15, 2021 is available [here](#).

At their May 6, 2021 meeting, the RRTPO Policy Board approved the 'Universe of Projects' for the ConnectRVA 2045 long-range transportation plan and authorized staff to begin the testing process to score, rank, and prioritize the 'Universe of Projects' into a refined draft cost constrained project list.

FY21 – FY24 TIP Amendments: GRTC Request

BACKGROUND: The RRTPO Policy Board has received a request from GRTC to amend the TIP to add three new projects. The proposed amendments are listed below:

- UPC GRTC065: Articulated Buses – This project is the purchase of articulated buses for the Pulse. The planned obligations are sufficient for three (3) buses per year. This project will use FTA 5307, state, and local matching funds.
- UPC GRTC067: Consultant Services – This project is the use of consultant services for studies and various transit projects such as asset management, platform, BRT, transfer centers, or dedicated lanes. This project will use FTA 5307, state, and local matching funds.
- UPC GRTC068: BRT Station Modification – This project is modification of the Pulse stations to accommodate the larger articulated buses. Obligations are planned prior to the purchase of the articulated buses. This project will use FTA 5307, state, and local matching funds.

At their May 6, 2021 meeting, the RRTPO Policy Board amended the *FY21 – FY24 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)* adding the three new projects.

FY21 – FY24 TIP Amendments: DRPT Request

BACKGROUND: The RRTPO Policy Board has received a request from DRPT to amend the TIP to add two new projects. Amendment details are outlined below:

- UPC CBI0001: Paratransit Vehicles – This project will allow Community Brain Injury Services to purchase one (1) 14-passenger wheelchair accessible bus. This project will be 100% federally funded.
- UPC HHI0001: Paratransit Vehicles – This project will allow Heart Havens, Inc to purchase 9-passenger vans with lifts. This project will be 100% federally funded.

At their May 6, 2021 meeting, the RRTPO Policy Board amended the *FY21 – FY24 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)* adding the two new projects.

FY21 – FY24 TIP Amendments: VDOT Request

BACKGROUND: The RRTPO Policy Board has received a request from VDOT to amend the TIP to revise a Project Grouping summary table. These revisions are necessary as four bridges are being removed from preventative maintenance and added to the construction grouping for state of good repair work. These projects are not considered significant to be individually listed in the TIP and are included. The four bridge projects are:

- UPC 111300 - #SGR18VB - Bridge Rehab 1st Street Over I-95
- UPC 113375 - #SGR19VB - Replace Superstructure Broad Sreet Over I-95
- UPC 113388 - #SGR19VB - BR Replace Superstructure 4th Street Over I-95
- UPC 118484 - #SGR21VB – 7th Street Over I-95 – SUPER REPL – FED ID 21289

At their May 6, 2021 meeting, the RRTPO Policy Board amended the *FY21 – FY24 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)* revising the Construction: Bridge Rehabilitation/Replacement/Reconstruction project grouping summary table.

Draft FY22 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)

At the May 11th RRTPO Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) meeting, the draft FY22 UPWP was summarized. The RRTPO TAC unanimously recommended RRTPO Policy Board approval of the draft FY22 Unified Planning Work Program. A copy of the draft FY22 UPWP can be viewed [here](#).

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Current Work Efforts Update – Item A.5.a.

ConnectRVA 2045 Long-Range Transportation Plan

Staff has finalized a master list of potential regional projects, a “Universe of Projects”, for the Richmond region. The initial public review period for the Universe of Projects ran from March 8, 2021 until March 23, 2021 and was extended to run again from March 25, 2021 until April 15, 2021. The extension was made in response to public requests for additional time and advisory committee recommendation. Based on the comments received during this period, staff worked with jurisdictional staff to remove and add a few projects in the Universe of Projects. The Universe of Projects was approved by the ConnectRVA 2045 Advisory Committee on April 22nd. Staff will now begin the testing process to score, rank, and prioritize the Universe of Projects into a refined draft cost constrained project list.

Ashland Trolley Line Trail Study

Two story maps for the project illustrate the importance and potential for the 14-mile Trolley Line Trail, including [history of the trolley line](#) and a [design sketchbook](#). The National Park Service continues to provide project facilitation and planning assistance through September 30, 2021. PlanRVA hosted a [Better Together webinar on the Fall Line trail](#) on April 15 which includes the route of the Trolley Line Trail. On April 23, staff met with the Trolley Line committee, including representatives from Hanover, Henrico, and the Town of Ashland to review updates from each locality and discuss how the committee can work with the Friends of the Fall Line. The committee expressed their interest in coordinating with the Fall Line to plan for their special portion of the Fall Line, adding value with a sense of history, community identity, and recognition of the unique character of the landscape and communities along the trail route from Lakeside to Ashland and in-between.

Regional Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan Update

The purpose of this project is to update the 2004 regional plan as a central component of the ConnectRVA2045 long range transportation plan. Staff held an eighth steering committee meeting on March 30 to continue revisions of the interactive GIS story map data collected for the plan as well as continuing to build and refine the list of projects. Staff continues to write sections of the plan and collect images to help illustrate the document.

Ashland Complete Streets Pilot Project

Complete streets guidelines, or a “tool-box” of resources, depicted through graphic and photographic examples will to serve as implementation support for the regional bike/ped plan. These images are intended to show specific locations where good standards have been implemented and where infrastructure improvements could incorporate complete streets elements for better solutions throughout the region. The illustrated [story map](#) is available for review and continues to be updated.

Active Transportation Work Group (ATWG)

Staff continues to plan for the May ATWG meeting. Staff continues to work with Henrico staff on the County’s ATWG and efforts to develop the bicycle and pedestrian

chapter of the county's comprehensive plan. Staff assisted the East Coast Greenway Alliance on de-designation of Cannon Creek Greenway in Richmond and a segment of trail in Fredericksburg, as those segments no longer follow the envisioned route through those localities.

Public Transportation Work Group

The RRTPO Public Transportation Work Group continues to meet as needed to support the development of the GRTC Regional Transportation Plan. The GRTC Board was provided an overview of the recommended priorities proposed to include in the FY22 draft plan. The proposal is to maintain the current service levels, conduct a study in FY22 for micro mobility and potential pilots, identify capital needs, as well as work toward prioritizing the expansion needs that have been identified through the collaborative effort. The draft plan is scheduled to go to CVTA TAC on May 10th and the MPO TAC on May 11th. This will give the opportunity for feedback from both committees.

Vision Zero Work Group

The RRTPO Vision Zero Work Group is working with VDOT and their consultant on a regional action plan. The data collection and analysis will progress for the next few months and will be a great resource for member localities as they position for safety improvements around the region. A schedule for completion of the plan is being developed.

RSTP/CMAQ Subcommittee

The RSTP/CMAQ Subcommittee met on April 12, 2021 and recommended the draft guidelines document to the full TAC. This concludes the subcommittee's work and the draft RSTP/CMAQ guidelines will be considered by the full TAC in May.

Rural Transportation Advisory Committee (RTAC)

The RTAC, made up of planning representatives from the four (4) rural localities continue to focus on road network resiliency mapping to help the localities in their own planning and prioritization for roadway and bridge/culvert improvements working with VDOT. The data will also be useful as applied throughout the Richmond region to measure "environmental resiliency" performance for project scoring through the LRTP process. Funding opportunities for implementing flood prevention measures, addressing hazard mitigation, and coastal resiliency were also shared with RTAC. The RTAC plans to meet quarterly.

CTAC AGENDA 5/20/21; ITEM B.4.

ConnectRVA 2045 Update

Richmond Regional Transportation Planning Organization

REQUESTED ACTION: This is an information item; no action is requested.

BACKGROUND: ConnectRVA 2045 is the name of the new long-range transportation plan that is currently under development. The long-range transportation plan is the document which sets the vision for the next 20 years of transportation improvements in the region and includes a financially constrained list of projects which are expected to be built over that time period. The Long-Range Transportation Plan Advisory Committee (LRTP AC) spearheads the development of the LRTP with autonomy to make decisions guiding the process and outcomes. The 2045 LRTP is due by October 2021.

Staff last updated CTAC on the progress of the LRTP in November 2020. In this meeting, staff will provide an update on the completed and ongoing tasks; specifically, the process of screening and development of the regionally significant transportation projects and the project evaluation, ranking and prioritization and process.

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CTAC AGENDA 5/20/21; ITEM B.5.

ELECTION OF FISCAL YEAR 2022 CTAC OFFICERS

Richmond Regional Transportation Planning Organization

REQUESTED ACTION: Action is requested of CTAC to elect an FY22 Chair and Vice Chair to serve from July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022.

BACKGROUND: The RRTPO (MPO) [Non-Binding Governance Guidance Document](#) establishes the rotation order for the CTAC Chair and Vice-Chair. As the outgoing Chair is a representative from Goochland County, a representative of the Town of Ashland is next in line to serve as CTAC Chair. The Guidance Document further stipulates that the Vice Chair may be elected by the CTAC from the jurisdiction following that of the CTAC Chairman, which under the order of rotation of leadership established by the Guidance Document would be a representative of the New Kent County.

ACTION REQUESTED: CTAC is requested to elect an FY22 Chair and Vice Chair to serve from July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022.

RESOLVED, that the RRTPO Community Transportation Advisory Committee elects _____ as FY22 Chair and _____ as FY22 Vice Chair.

KEL

CTAC FUTURE MEETING TOPICS*; ITEM C.2.

15 July 2021

- VDOT Richmond District Traffic Management Center Tour
- Super Streets
- VTrans Update

16 September 2021

- Drive to Work
- Trucks and Traffic Safety
- RideFinders Overview

18 November 2021

- DRPT Transit Services Equity/Modernization Study
- CVTA Update
- Regional Structure and Bridge Inventory

Not scheduled but other potential topics

- GRTC System Expansion
- Discussion of Lead Priority Projects , i.e. I-64 Widening
- School Bus Routing
- Affordable Housing and Transportation Needs
- Impact of Casinos on Regional Travel Patterns
- Virginia Passenger Rail Authority
- Statewide Rail Plan Update

*Draft: This is not a comprehensive list of considerations and is subject to change.

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