

AGENDA

ConnectRVA 2045 Advisory Committee

Thursday, April 22, 2021
9:00 a.m.

Zoom Meeting

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WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

(Pompei).....

STATEMENT REGARDING VIRTUAL MEETINGS

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ATTENDANCE BY ROLL CALL

(Pompei).....

1. Consideration of Amendments to the Agenda

(Pompei/5 minutes).....

2. Approval of March 25, 2021 Meeting Summary

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ACTION REQUESTED

3. Public Comment Period

(Pompei/5 minutes).....

4. LRTP Process Update Task 3: Planning

(Aryal/25 minutes).....

- a. Universe of Projects - Public Comments
- b. Universe of Projects - Review

ACTION REQUESTED: Motion to approve the Universe of Projects.

(Final Universe of Projects and Public Comments to be sent prior to the meeting).

5. LRTP Process Update Task 4: Programming

(Mueller/10 minutes)

- a. Budget Allocations Survey

6. LRTP Schedule/Public Engagement

(Parsons/5 minutes).....

7. Next Meeting: May 27, 2021 – 9:00 AM

(Pompei/5 minutes).....

8. Adjournment

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 April 15, 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.



Long-Range Transportation Plan Advisory Committee

MEETING SUMMARY
Zoom Meeting
March 25, 2021
9:00 a.m.

MEMBERS and ALTERNATES (A) PRESENT:

Town of Ashland		Charles City County		Chesterfield County	
Nora Amos	x	Vacant		Barbara K. Smith	
Will Tucker (A)				Kathryn Benedict (A)	x
Goochland County		Hanover County		Henrico County	
Thomas Coleman	x	Joseph Vidunas	x	Sharon Smidler	x
Todd Kilduff (A)		J. Michael Flagg (A)	x	Rosemary Deemer (A)	
New Kent County		Powhatan County		City of Richmond	
Kelli Le Duc	x	Andrew Pompei	x	Dironna Moore Clarke	x
		Ed A. Howland (A)		Travis Bridewell (A)	x
				Sera Erickson (CTAC Rep)	
				Vacant (CTAC Rep)	
Capital Region Airport Commission (CRAC)		GRTC Transit System		RMTA	
John Rutledge	x	Adrienne Torres	x	Theresa Simmons	
		Emily DelRoss (A)			
PlanRVA		RideFinders		DRPT	
Chet Parsons	x	Von S. Tisdale		Tiffany Dubinsky	x
Sulabh Aryal (A)	x	John O’Keeffe (A)	x	Grant Sparks (A)	
VDOT		VCU		NAACP	
Liz McAdory		John Leonard (CTAC Rep)	x	Walter Johnson (CTAC Rep)	
Jacob Herrman (A)	x				
Richmond Area Bicycling Association (RABA)		VA Asian Chamber of Commerce		Senior Connections (CAAA)	
Champe Burnley (CTAC Rep)	x	My Lan Tran		Tony Williams	x
RVA Rapid Transit		Bike Walk RVA		Port of Virginia/RMT	
Ben Campbell	x	Louise Lockett Gordon	x	Barbara Nelson	x
				Vacant (A)	
Southern Environmental Law Center		VA Center for Inclusive Communities		Virginians for High Speed Rail	
Trip Pollard	x	Vacant		Daniel Plaughner	
Federal Highway Administration		Tri-Cities MPO			
Richard Duran	x	Ron Svejowski	x		

The RRTPO LRTP Advisory Committee 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. Voting record tables are included in Appendix A. A recording of this meeting is available on our [Plan RVA YouTube Channel](#).

Call to Order:

The LRTP Advisory Committee Chair, Andrew Pompei, presided and called the March 25, 2021 LRTP meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

1. Consideration of Amendments to the Agenda

There were no requested changes to the meeting agenda. Seeing and hearing no objections, the agenda was approved by acclamation as presented.

2. Approval of February 25, 2021 LRTP-AC Meeting Summary

There were no comments or corrections to the February 25, 2021 LRTP-AC meeting summary. The LRTP Advisory Committee unanimously approved the meeting summary of the February 25, 2021 meeting by acclamation as presented.

3. Public Comment Period

There were no requests to address the LRTP Advisory Committee.

4. LRTP Process Update Task 3: Planning

a. Universe of Projects – First Look

RRTPO staff completed the final draft of the regionally significant projects across all modes which are called the ‘Universe of Projects’. These projects were screened based on the Project Inclusion Guidelines and the list was distributed to the committee members on March 19th. Staff thanked all the Champions for reviewing the projects in detail and providing staff with the necessary corrections. A copy of the final draft Universe of Projects list can be viewed here: click on March 25, 2021 [ConnectRVA 2045 Universe of Projects Final Draft](#).

After a review of the public comments received on the Universe of Projects list, a discussion on the recent public engagement efforts took place, and it was recommended that the RRTPO extends the public comment period for the draft Universe of Projects, made available for public comment on March 8, 2021. The public comment period for the Draft Universe of Projects was to complete on March 23, 2021. This extension is being made in response to public requests for additional review time.

On motion of Champe Burnley, seconded by Ben Campbell, the Richmond Regional Transportation Planning Organization (RRTPO) LRTP Advisory Committee approved the following resolution (17-Y 4-N 2-A; see Appendix A):

RESOLVED, that the Richmond Regional Transportation Planning Organization (RRTPO) LRTP Advisory Committee extends the public comment period for the Universe of Projects through April 15, 2021.

Sulabh Aryal, Planning Manager, provided a brief summary on the changes made to the Universe of Projects for the final draft and recapped the transportation needs by project type. Projects in this list will be evaluated, scored, ranked and prioritized to be in the 'Constrained List of Projects. Projects that do not make the cut will be listed in the 'Vision List of Projects'. Endorsement of the Universe of Projects by the committee was requested:

On motion of Kathryn Benedict, seconded by Joseph E. Vidunas, the Richmond Regional Transportation Planning Organization (RRTPO) LRTP Advisory Committee approved the following resolution (21-Y 0-N 2-A; see Appendix A):

RESOLVED, that the Richmond Regional Transportation Planning Organization (RRTPO) LRTP Advisory Committee approves the Universe of Projects as presented and authorizes staff to begin the testing process to score, rank, and prioritize the Universe of Projects into a refined draft cost constrained project list.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the RRTPO reviews additional comments received after the extended public review period closes and works with the project sponsors and the Champions to determine the impact of these comments on the Universe of Projects list.

5. LRTP Process Update Task 4: Programming

a. Universe of Projects: Scoring and Evaluation – Update and Needs

Staff has been working on developing revenue estimates for the implementation of the projects in the ConnectRVA 2045 plan based on revenue projections provided by VDOT and DRPT. Additionally, staff obtained licensed copies of CUBE, a comprehensive, powerful, script driven software platform for building and applying complex models and simulations of transportation land use systems, provided by VDOT to conduct [model runs](#) on all of the projects. Staff will compile the data and develop a database system.

**A copy of the presentation provided by Sulabh Aryal, Transportation Planning Manager, is available at: [Presentation: LRTP Process Update](#)

b. Revenue Projections and Allocations

DRPT, VDOT, and GRTC provide the basis for transit funding projections, highway funding projections, operating revenues, and the use of certain funds. A breakdown of revenue estimates and distributions was laid out before the committee.

**A copy of the presentation provided by Myles Busching, Associate Planner, is available at: [Presentation: Revenue Projections](#)

6. LRTP Schedule

Sulabh Aryal, Planning Manager, provided a brief summary of the schedule:

- Task 4. Programming
 - Project Scoring – April and May
 - Constrained Plan Development
 - LRTP AC Introduction – February 25 (completed)

- LRTP AC Discussion – March 25
 - Potential Public Survey – April (after extended public comment period ends)
 - Constrained Plan Staff Recommendation and Discussion – May 27 (targeted)
 - Public Comment Period – May/June
 - LRTP AC Approval – June 24 (targeted)
 - Policy Board Approval – July/August Meeting
- Task 5. Evaluation of the Plan
 - 5.0 Base Year Transportation Performance Reports and Targets
 - 5.1 ConnectRVA Performance Measures Evaluation
 - 5.2 Economic Impact Analysis
 - 5.3 Environmental Justice Analysis
 - 5.4 Accessibility Assessment
 - Staff Work – June/July
 - LRTP AC – July/August
 - 5.5 Air Quality Conformity/Interagency Consultation
 - Interagency Consultation – July/August
 - Formal Public Review Period – Align with plan’s final public review period
 - 5.6 Public Participation Evaluation – September
 - Document Development
 - Final draft for public review – August 15
 - Final draft for adoption – September 15
 - Task 6. Adoption
 - Policy Board – Request open formal public review – July/August
 - Formal public review period – August 15 through September 15
 - LRTP AC final approval – September 23/Special Meeting early October
 - Policy Board approval – October 7/Special Meeting before October 31
 - FHWA/FTA – October 31 (deadline)

**A recording of the meeting can be viewed [here](#).

7. Next LRTP Advisory Committee Meeting

Chairman Pompei noted the next meeting will be held on April 22, 2021.

8. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 10:26 a.m. on March 25, 2021.

APPENDIX A

RRTPO ConnectRVA 2045 Advisory Committee – Voting Record Tables

Item 4. Action on Extension of Public Review Period for Universe of Projects

Jurisdiction/Agency	Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Town of Ashland	Nora Amos	x			
Charles City County	(vacant)				
Chesterfield County	Kathryn Benedict (A)		x		
Goochland County	Thomas Coleman	x			
Hanover County	Joseph E. Vidunas		x		
Henrico County	Sharon Smidler	x			
New Kent County	Kelli Le Duc	x			
Powhatan County	Andrew Pompei		x		
City of Richmond	Dironna Moore Clarke	x			
Capital Region Airport Commission	John B. Rutledge	x			
GRTC Transit System	Adrienne Torres	x			
RMTA	Theresa Simmons				x
Plan RVA	Chet Parsons			x	
RideFinders	John O’Keeffe (A)	x			
DRPT	Tiffany Dubinsky	x			
VDOT	Jacob Herrman (A)	x			
VCU	John Leonard	x			
NAACP	Walter Johnson				x
RABA	Champe Burnley	x			
VA Asian Chamber of Commerce	My Lan Tran				x
Senior Connections	Tony Williams	x			
RVA Rapid Transit	Ben Campbell	x			
Bike Walk RVA	Louise Lockett Gordon	x			
Port of Virginia/RMT	Barbara Nelson		x		
Southern Environmental Law Center	Trip Pollard	x			
VA Center for Inclusive Communities	Vacant				
Virginians for High Speed Rail	Daniel Plaugher				x
Federal Highway Administration	Richard Duran			x	
Tri-Cities MPO	Ron Svejowski	x			
TOTAL		17	4	2	4

A quorum shall consist of a majority of the Committee’s current membership.

Item 4. Action on Final Draft Universe of Projects

Jurisdiction/Agency	Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Town of Ashland	Nora Amos	x			
Charles City County	(vacant)				
Chesterfield County	Kathryn Benedict (A)	x			
Goochland County	Thomas Coleman	x			
Hanover County	Joseph E. Vidunas	x			
Henrico County	Sharon Smidler	x			
New Kent County	Kelli Le Duc	x			
Powhatan County	Andrew Pompei	x			
City of Richmond	Dironna Moore Clarke	x			
Capital Region Airport Commission	John B. Rutledge	x			
GRTC Transit System	Adrienne Torres	x			
RMTA	Theresa Simmons				x
Plan RVA	Chet Parsons	x			
RideFinders	John O'Keeffe (A)	x			
DRPT	Tiffany Dubinsky	x			
VDOT	Jacob Herrman (A)	x			
VCU	John Leonard	x			
NAACP	Walter Johnson				x
RABA	Champe Burnley			x	
VA Asian Chamber of Commerce	My Lan Tran				x
Senior Connections	Tony Williams	x			
RVA Rapid Transit	Ben Campbell	x			
Bike Walk RVA	Louise Locket Gordon	x			
Port of Virginia/RMT	Barbara Nelson	x			
Southern Environmental Law Center	Trip Pollard			x	
VA Center for Inclusive Communities	Vacant				
Virginians for High Speed Rail	Daniel Plaugher				x
Federal Highway Administration	Richard Duran	x			
Tri-Cities MPO	Ron Svejkowski	x			
TOTAL		21	0	2	4