

**RICHMOND REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION
TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC)
PlanRVA James River Boardroom,
424 Hull Street, Suite 300, Richmond, VA 23224 and via Zoom
January 9, 2024 - 9:00 a.m.**

MEMBERS and ALTERNATES (A) PRESENT:

Town of Ashland		Charles City County		Chesterfield County	
Nora D. Amos	X	Gary Mitchell, Vice Chair		Barbara K. Smith	X
Kerri Ragland					
Goochland County		Rhonda Russell (A)		Chessa Walker (A)	X
Austin Goynes	X	Hanover County		Henrico County	
Thomas Coleman (A)		Joseph E. Vidunas, Chair	X	Sharon Smidler	X
New Kent County		Randy Hardman (A)		Todd Eure (A)	
Amy Inman	X	Powhatan County		City of Richmond	
Kelli Le Duc (A)		Mike Ciriello	X	Dironna Moore Clarke	X
Capital Region Airport Commission (CRAC)		Bret Schardein (A)		GRTC	
John B. Rutledge		DRPT		Patricia Robinson	X
PlanRVA		Tiffany T. Dubinsky	X	Corey Robinson (A)	X
Myles Busching	X	Daniel Wagner (A)		VDOT	
Sulabh Aryal (A)		RMTA		Sarah Rhodes	X
RideFinders		Theresa Simmons		Nicole Mueller (A)	
John O'Keefe (A)	X				

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Virtual participation in this meeting by members of the committee is authorized under the City of Richmond Res. No. 2020-R025, - declaration of a local emergency due to the potential spread of COVID-19, adopted March 16, 2020. The resolution is available [here](#).

1. Welcome and Introductions

Chair Vidunas opened the meeting at 9:05 a.m. and welcomed attendees.

2. Roll Call & Certification of a Quorum

Janice Scott, PlanRVA, took attendance by roll call and certified that a quorum was present.

3. Consideration of Amendments to the Meeting Agenda

There were no requested changes to the agenda.

4. Approval of December 12, 2023, Meeting Minutes

On motion by Nora Amos, seconded by Barbara Smith, the members of the RRTPO Technical Advisory Committee voted to approve the meeting minutes as presented (voice vote; Austin Goynes abstained).

5. Open Public Comment Period

There were no requests to address the committee.

6. TAC Chairman’s Report

Chair Vidunas did not have a formal report.

7. SMART SCALE Round 6 – Regional Project Recommendations

Myles Busching, PlanRVA, provided an overview of the new scoring typologies and the high priority projects eligibility.

Mr. Busching reviewed the list of recommended projects. Twenty-six requests were received for candidate projects. There are 17 preapplications slots between RRTPO and PlanRVA (12 for the RRTPO and 5 for PlanRVA). Committee members discussed the projects and reached consensus on changes. Sarah Rhodes provided clarification on aspects that are important to VDOT.

The following projects will be removed: the two Rt 288 projects, the I-64/105 project and the I95/54 project. The Short Pump project will be added to the RRTPO list: The Route 60/US-522 Intersection Improvement project in Powhatan will be moved from PlanRVA to RRTPO.

On motion by Nora Amos, seconded by Amy Inman, the members of the RRTPO Technical Advisory Committee voted to recommend approval of the candidate project list as revised (roll call vote; see below).

Jurisdiction/Agency	Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Town of Ashland	Nora D. Amos	X			
Charles City County	Gary Mitchell				X
Chesterfield County	Barbara Smith	X			
Goochland County	Austin Goyne	X			
Hanover County	Joseph E. Vidunas	X			
Henrico County	Sharon Smidler	X			
New Kent County	Amy Inman	X			
Powhatan County	Mike Ciriello				X
City of Richmond	Dironna Moore Clarke	X			
CRAC	John B. Rutledge				X
DRPT	Tiffany Dubinsky	X			
GRTC	Patricia Robinson	X			
PlanRVA	Myles Busching	X			
RideFinders	John O’Keeffe (A)	X			
RMTA	Theresa Simmons				X
VDOT	Sarah Rhodes	X			

8. 2024 Safety Performance Targets

Mr. Busching reported that this is for the annual road safety targets that must be submitted. For roadway safety, the RRTPO is required to [track and set targets for five performance measures](#):

- Fatalities
- Fatality Rate (per 100M vehicle miles traveled)
- Serious Injuries

- Serious Injury Rate (per 100M vehicle miles traveled)
- Non-Motorized Fatalities and Serious Injuries

VDOT, in coordination with DMV, sets statewide targets annually for each of these measures. State performance is assessed against these targets by FHWA, and the Commonwealth is required to meet or make significant progress toward meeting these targets. The statewide performance targets are developed using an analytical model which factors in vehicle miles traveled, demographics and employment, weather, liquor sales, VDOT maintenance and operations programs spending, DMV.

MPOs are required to adopt targets no later than 180 days after the state each year. The RRTPO has the option to follow the statewide target or set a separate target for any or all of the performance measures. In general, FHWA has identified three approaches used by states in setting performance targets (data-driven, goal-driven and hybrid). The members of the committee reached a consensus at the last meeting to move forward with the hybrid targets.

On motion by Dironna Moore Clarke, seconded by Barbara Smith, the members of the RRTPO Technical Advisory Committee voted to recommend approval of the five performance measures as presented (voice vote).

9. Flexible Regional Funding – Existing Project Requests

Mr. Busching explained this is the new name RSTP/CMAQ carbon reduction. He reviewed each project and opened a discussion on how to prioritize them.

On motion by Barbara Smith, seconded by Dironna Moore Clarke, the members of the RRTPO Technical Advisory Committee voted to fund all requests at the requested levels (roll call vote). It was noted that some requests fall into 10% category and don't need to go to the board, others will go to board for approval; the above motion is for TAC approval of those TAC is authorized to approve and to recommend Policy Board approval of those TAC does not have the authority to approve. It was also noted that the intent was to stay withing 10% threshold and staff can adjust to bring to 10%.

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Goochland County	Austin Goyne	X			
Hanover County	Joseph E. Vidunas	X			
Henrico County	Sharon Smidler	X			
New Kent County	Amy Inman	X			
Powhatan County	Mike Ciriello				X
City of Richmond	Dironna Moore Clarke	X			
CRAC	John B. Rutledge				X
DRPT	Tiffany Dubinsky	X			
GRTC	Corey Robinson	X			
PlanRVA	Myles Busching	X			
RideFinders	John O'Keeffe (A)	X			
RMTA	Theresa Simmons				X
VDOT	Sarah Rhodes	X			

10. FY24 – FY27 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment - #SMART18 – Richmond-Henrico Turnpike - South Segment (UPC 111716)

On motion by Sharon Smidler, seconded by Austin Goynes, the members of the RRTPO Technical Advisory Committee voted to recommend approval of the proposed TIP amendments as requested by GRTC Action Item (voice vote).

11. Transportation Agency Updates

a. DRPT

Tiffany Dubinsky provided an update on recent and upcoming DRPT activities.

b. GRTC

Corey Robinson provided an update on recent and upcoming GRTC activities.

c. RideFinders

John O’Keefe provided an update on recent and upcoming RideFinders activities, including the following:

- Reaching out to and meeting with employers about Kick\$tart Your Carpool pilot program.
- Meeting with Foursquare ITP on the RideFinders Commuter Assistance Program Strategic Plan .
- New Vanpools: 1 (15 passenger van originating from Newport News, VA to Defense General Supply Center in Bellwood/Chesterfield).
- Provided Chesterfield County with the number of vanpools that originate and depart from Chesterfield County along with van sizes and locations per a request from a board member.

d. VDOT

Sarah Rhodes provided an update on VDOT’s recent and upcoming activities. The update is posted with the [meeting documents](#).

12. Future Meeting Topics

The future meeting topics were included in the agenda packet.

13. TAC Member Comments

Amy Inman thanked Mr. Busching for all the work he is doing for the RRTPO and the CVTA.

14. Next Meeting

Chair Vidunas noted the next meeting will be held on February 13, 2024.

15. Adjournment

Chair Vidunas adjourned the meeting at 10:34 a.m.