

**RICHMOND REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION  
TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC)**

**MINUTES OF ACTION MEETING  
Zoom Meeting  
August 9, 2022  
9:00 a.m.**

**MEMBERS and ALTERNATES (A) PRESENT:**

<b>Town of Ashland</b>		<b>Charles City County</b>		<b>Chesterfield County</b>	
Nora D. Amos	X	Gary Mitchell	X	Barbara K. Smith	X
Vacant (A)		Rhonda Russell (A)	X	Chessa Walker (A)	X
<b>Goochland County</b>		<b>Hanover County</b>		<b>Henrico County</b>	
Austin Goyne	X	Joseph E. Vidunas, FY23 Vice Chair	X	Sharon Smidler, FY23 Chair	X
Thomas M. Coleman (A)	X	J. Michael Flagg (A)		Todd Eure (A)	
<b>New Kent County</b>		<b>Powhatan County</b>		<b>City of Richmond</b>	
Kelli Le Duc	X	Bret Schardein		Dironna Moore Clarke	X
		(vacant) (A)		Travis A. Bridewell (A)	X
<b>Capital Region Airport Commission</b>		<b>DRPT</b>		<b>GRTC</b>	
John B. Rutledge		Tiffany T. Dubinsky		Sam Sink	
		Daniel Wagner (A)	X	Patricia Robinson (A)	
<b>PlanRVA</b>		<b>RideFinders</b>		<b>RMTA</b>	
Chet Parsons	X	Von S. Tisdale		Theresa Simmons	
Sulabh Aryal (A)	X	John O'Keefe (A)	X		
<b>VDOT</b>					
Liz McAdory					
Nicole Mueller (A)	X				

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**STATEMENT REGARDING VIRTUAL MEETINGS**

Chet Parsons, PlanRVA, shared the statement on virtual meetings. He noted that the City of Richmond's Emergency Declaration that is currently in place may be expiring soon. When it does, the TAC meetings will be held in-person.

## **CALL TO ORDER**

The Richmond Regional Transportation Planning Organization (RRTPO) Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) Chair, Sharon Smidler, presided and called the August 9, 2022, RRTPO TAC meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.

## **ATTENDANCE ROLL CALL & CERTIFICATION OF MEETING QUORUM**

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

### **1. Consideration of Amendments to the Action Meeting Agenda**

Seeing and hearing no objections, the agenda was approved by acclamation as presented.

### **2. Approval of July 12, 2022, Meeting Minutes**

On motion of John O’Keeffe, seconded by Joseph E. Vidunas, the RRTPO Technical Advisory Committee unanimously approved the minutes of the July 12, 2022, meeting as presented.

### **3. Open Public Comment Period**

There were no requests to address the Technical Advisory Committee.

### **4. TAC Chairman’s Report**

There was no formal report from the Chair.

### **5. RRTPO Update**

#### **a. Current Work Efforts**

Mr. Parsons provided this report and offered to answer any questions.

#### **b. CTAC Report**

Mr. Parsons provided this report and offered to answer any questions.

#### **c. 2050 Socioeconomic Data Workgroup -Update**

Sulabh Aryal, PlanRVA, provided this update and offered to answer any questions.

### **6. Safe Streets for All Competitive Grant**

#### **a. Local Project Endorsement – (Comprehensive Safety Action Plan) – Henrico County**

Mr. Parsons and Chair Smidler gave an overview of this request and explained that Henrico County plans to apply for a Safety Action Plan grant in 2022 to support funding the development of their Safety Action Plan. The County intends to use the completed Safety Action Plan so that they are eligible to apply for grants (including SS4A Implementation and Safety Action Plan Grants) that require Safety Action Plans. County staff and the project team will formalize the goals and objectives of the Safety Action Plan, with a focus on promoting safe, equitable, and multimodal mobility opportunities within the County. The Safety Action Plan will include a

countywide crash factor and crash equity analysis, identification of emphasis of areas, crash reduction strategies, and prioritization of countermeasures..

**Local Project Endorsement – (Comprehensive Safety Action Plan) – Chesterfield County**

Barbara Smith, Chesterfield County, gave an overview of this request

On motion of Austin Goyne, seconded by Barbara K. Smith, the RRTPO Technical Advisory Committee voted unanimously to recommend Policy Board adoption of the following resolution:

**RESOLVED**, that the Richmond Regional Transportation Planning Organization policy board endorses the Chesterfield County and Henrico County Comprehensive Safety Action Plan Grant applications.

<b>Jurisdiction/Agency</b>	<b>Member</b>	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
<b>Town of Ashland</b>	Nora D. Amos	X			
<b>Charles City County</b>	Gary Mitchell	X			
<b>Chesterfield County</b>	Barbara K. Smith	X			
<b>Goochland County</b>	Austin Goyne	X			
<b>Hanover County</b>	Joseph E. Vidunas, Vice Chair	X			
<b>Henrico County</b>	Sharon Smidler, Chair	X			
<b>New Kent County</b>	Kelli Le Duc	X			
<b>Powhatan County</b>	Bret Schardein	X			
<b>City of Richmond</b>	Dironna Moore Clarke	X			
<b>Capital Region Airport Commission</b>	John B. Rutledge				X
<b>DRPT</b>	Daniel Wagner (A)	X			
<b>GRTC Transit System</b>	Sam Sink				X
	Patricia Robinson (A)				X
<b>PlanRVA</b>	Chet Parsons	X			
<b>RideFinders</b>	John O’Keeffe (A)	X			
<b>RIC Metropolitan Transp. Authority</b>	Theresa Simmons				X
<b>VDOT</b>	Nicole Mueller (A)	X			

**b. RRTPO Project Application Endorsement (Route 1, Bermuda Crossroads Ln - Route 10, Bike, Ped and Transit Improvements) – Chesterfield County**

Barbara Smith, Chesterfield County, gave an overview of this request to have the RRTPO submit a *Safe Streets for All Implementation Grant* for pedestrian improvements on Route 1 which is an identified Pedestrian Safety Action Plan corridor in the *Richmond Regional Transportation Safety Plan*. Route 1 is a High-Injury Network and improving bike and pedestrian accommodations along Route 1 is a priority for Chesterfield County. There is currently a study underway for the

entire Route 1 corridor to identify improvements to address pedestrian safety, particularly for crossing locations.

On motion of Barbara K. Smith, seconded by Joseph E. Vidunas, the RRTPO Technical Advisory Committee voted unanimously to recommend Policy Board adoption of the following resolution:

**RESOLVED**, that the Richmond Regional Transportation Planning Organization policy board endorses the RRTPO project application for the Safe Streets for All Implementation Grant for the Route 1, Bermuda Crossroads Ln - Route 10, Bike, Ped and Transit Improvements in Chesterfield County.

<b>Jurisdiction/Agency</b>	<b>Member</b>	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
<b>Town of Ashland</b>	Nora D. Amos	X			
<b>Charles City County</b>	Gary Mitchell	X			
<b>Chesterfield County</b>	Barbara K. Smith	X			
<b>Goochland County</b>	Austin Goyne	X			
<b>Hanover County</b>	Joseph E. Vidunas, Vice Chair	X			
<b>Henrico County</b>	Sharon Smidler, Chair	X			
<b>New Kent County</b>	Kelli Le Duc	X			
<b>Powhatan County</b>	Bret Schardein	X			
<b>City of Richmond</b>	Dironna Moore Clarke	X			
<b>Capital Region Airport Commission</b>	John B. Rutledge				X
<b>DRPT</b>	Daniel Wagner (A)	X			
<b>GRTC Transit System</b>	Sam Sink				X
	Patricia Robinson (A)				X
<b>PlanRVA</b>	Chet Parsons	X			
<b>RideFinders</b>	John O'Keeffe (A)	X			
<b>RIC Metropolitan Transp. Authority</b>	Theresa Simmons				X
<b>VDOT</b>	Nicole Mueller (A)	X			

**7. SMART SCALE Round 5 – Goochland County Project Endorsement**

Myles Busching, PlanRVA, presented this request and offered to answer any questions.

On motion of Barbara K. Smith, seconded by Joseph E. Vidunas, the RRTPO Technical Advisory Committee voted unanimously to recommend Policy Board adoption of the following resolution:

**RESOLVED**, that the Richmond Regional Transportation Planning Organization policy board endorses the I-64 at Ashland Rd. (Rte. 623) Interchange project as a Goochland County application for Smart Scale Round 5.

<b>Jurisdiction/Agency</b>	<b>Member</b>	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
<b>Town of Ashland</b>	Nora D. Amos	X			
<b>Charles City County</b>	Gary Mitchell	X			
<b>Chesterfield County</b>	Barbara K. Smith	X			
<b>Goochland County</b>	Austin Goyne	X			
<b>Hanover County</b>	Joseph E. Vidunas, Vice Chair	X			
<b>Henrico County</b>	Sharon Smidler, Chair	X			
<b>New Kent County</b>	Kelli Le Duc	X			
<b>Powhatan County</b>	Bret Schardein	X			
<b>City of Richmond</b>	Dironna Moore Clarke	X			
<b>Capital Region Airport Commission</b>	John B. Rutledge				X
<b>DRPT</b>	Daniel Wagner (A)	X			
<b>GRTC Transit System</b>	Sam Sink				X
	Patricia Robinson (A)				X
<b>PlanRVA</b>	Chet Parsons	X			
<b>RideFinders</b>	John O’Keeffe (A)	X			
<b>RIC Metropolitan Transp. Authority</b>	Theresa Simmons				X
<b>VDOT</b>	Nicole Mueller (A)	X			

**8. FY24 STBG/CMAQ Schedule**

Mr. Busching provided an explanation of the schedule and offered to answer any questions. There was a discussion about funds not being available to award to new projects in the last cycle. 18 million is expected to be available but the majority will likely go to existing projects. Staff will revise the schedule and include a timeframe for receiving new project applications after existing project applications are received.

**9. FY24 – FY27 TIP Development Schedule**

Mr. Busching provided an explanation of the schedule and offered to answer any questions. He clarified that CVTA projects are not currently included in the project list. Staff will be using Performance Based Planning approach in developing the TIP.

**10. Transportation Agency Updates**

**a. DRPT**

Daniel Wagner, Statewide Transit Planner at DRPT, provided an update on DRPT activities, which is posted with the [meeting documents](#).

**b. GRTC**

There was no update from GRTC.

**c. RideFinders**

John O’Keeffe, RideFinders, provided an update on RideFinders activities.

**d. VDOT**

Nicole Mueller, Planning Specialist at VDOT, provided this update, which is posted with the [meeting documents](#).

**11. Future Meeting Topics**

Chair Smidler reviewed the future meeting topics.

Mr. Parsons reported that an update on the Transit Modernization Study will be added to an upcoming agenda once action is taken by the Commonwealth Transportation Board.

**12. TAC Member Comments**

Mr. Parsons commented on the many grant funding opportunities that are available now or will be available in the near future. He asked members to reach out to staff for assistance with applications.

**13. Next Meeting: September 13, 2022**

Chair Smidler noted that the next regular RRTPO TAC meeting will be held on September 13, 2022, beginning at 9:00 a.m.

**14. Adjournment**

Chair Smidler adjourned the meeting at 10:02 a.m.