

**RICHMOND REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION
POLICY BOARD MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, September 1, 2022 - 9:30 a.m.**

MEMBERS and ALTERNATES (A) PRESENT:

Town of Ashland		Charles City County		Chesterfield County	
John H. Hodges	X	Byron M. Adkins, Sr.	X	Kevin P. Carroll	X
Anita Barnhart (A)		Rhonda Russell (A)	X	James M. Holland	X
				Christopher Winslow	X
				Tara Carroll	
Goochland County		Hanover County		Henrico County	
Susan F. Lascolette	X	Sean M. Davis		Patricia S. O'Bannon	X
John L. Lumpkins Jr., FY23 Chair	X	W. Canova Peterson IV, FY23 Vice Chair	X	Frank J. Thornton	X
Vacant (A)		Faye O. Prichard (A)		Thomas Branin (A)	
Vacant (A)		Vacant (A)		Vacant (A)	
New Kent County		Powhatan County		City of Richmond	
Patricia A. Paige		David T. Williams	X	Andreas D. Addison	X
C. Thomas Tiller Jr.		Karin M. Carmack		Katherine L. Jordan	X
Thomas W. Evelyn (A)		Vacant (A)		Stephanie A. Lynch	
Vacant (A)		Vacant (A)		Cynthia I. Newbille	X
				Michael J. Jones (A)	
				Kristen Nye (A)	
				Ellen F. Robertson (A)	
				Vacant (A)	
Capital Region Airport Commission		GRTC Transit System		RIC Metropolitan Transp. Authority (RMTA)	
John B. Rutledge		Sheryl Adams	X	Joi Taylor Dean	X
Vacant (A)		Adrienne Torres (A)		Vacant (A)	
Secretary of Trans. or Designee		CTAC		DRPT	
VDOT, R. Shane Mann	X	Lisa M. Guthrie (non-voting)		Tiffany T. Dubinsky (non- voting)	X
VDOT, Mark E. Riblett (A)		Sera Erickson (FY 23 A) (non-voting)		Grant Sparks (A) (non- voting)	
			X		
Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)		Federal Transit Administration (FTA)		RideFinders	
Thomas L. Nelson Jr. (non-voting)		Daniel Koenig (Liaison)		Von S. Tisdale (non-voting)	X
Richard Duran (A) (non-voting)		Vacant (A)		Cherika N. Ruffin (A) (non-voting)	
VA Dept. of Aviation (DOAV)					
Rusty Harrington (non- voting)	X				

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Virtual participation of this meeting by members of the RRTPO Policy Board 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](#).

Call to Order

The Richmond Regional Transportation Planning Organization (RRTPO) Policy Board Chair, John L. Lumpkins, Jr., presided and called the September 1, 2022, RRTPO Policy Board action meeting to order at 9:32 a.m. in PlanRVA's James River Board Room.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Frank J. Thornton.

Welcome and Introductions

Chair Lumpkins welcomed all the attendees and introduced Ms. Trinity Waldron, VCU Wilder Fellow, who is working with PlanRVA, concentrating on rural jurisdictions. Ms. Addressed the board and gave an overview of her education and experience.

Certification of a Quorum

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

A. ADMINISTRATION

1. Consideration of Amendments to the Meeting Agenda

There were not requested changes to the meeting agenda.

2. Approval of the July 7, 2022, meeting minutes

On motion by David T. Williams, seconded by Frank J. Thornton, the Richmond Regional Transportation Planning Organization (RRTPO) Policy Board voted to approve the minutes of the July 7, 2022, RRTPO meeting by acclamation vote.

3. Open Public Comment Period

There were no requests to address the RRTPO Policy Board.

4. RRTPO Chair's Report

Chairman Lumpkins announced his intention to highlight an agency or locality at each meeting, starting today with Charles City County.

Mr. Byron Adkins gave a presentation on Charles City County and described some of the economic development strides the county has taken recently.

5. RRTPO Secretary's Report

a. Current Work Efforts

Mr. Parsons provided this report. Board members had questions and a discussion about the regional projects and the prioritization process. There was a discussion about the flexibility built into the enabling legislation. Mr. Parsons explained how the Technical Advisory Committee works to refine the process and the efforts they're making to ensure projects from all nine jurisdictions are fairly considered. He clarified that the market value analysis is a project underway by the PlanRVA Commission. It will be available to anyone who is interested and will be forwarded to members once it is complete.

b. RRTPO Work Status and Financial Report for July 2022

This report was not completed in time for review. It will be distributed after the meeting.

c. CTAC Report

Mr. Parsons provided a recap of the most recent CTAC meeting.

B. NEW BUSINESS

1. Safe Streets for All Competitive Grants

- a. Local Project Endorsement – Action Plan Grant - Chesterfield County
- b. Local Project Endorsement – Action Plan Grant - Henrico County
- c. Local Project Endorsement – Implementation Grant – City of Richmond

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On motion by Cynthia I. Newbille, seconded by David T. Williams, the Richmond Regional Transportation Planning Organization (RRTPO) Policy Board approved the following resolution (see Appendix A)

RESOLVED, that the Richmond Regional Transportation Planning Organization Policy Board endorses the following applications for Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) competitive grant funds:

- Local Project Endorsement – Action Plan Grant - Chesterfield County
- Local Project Endorsement – Action Plan Grant - Henrico County
- Local Project Endorsement – Implementation Grant – City of Richmond

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Richmond Regional Transportation Planning Organization Policy Board supports the creation of a full regional action plan and the development of an application for the next round of the Safe Streets and Roads for All program.

2. Smart Scale Round 5 –Goochland County Project Endorsement

Mr. Parsons presented this matter and explained that the TAC has reviewed each project and recommends Policy Board approval.

On motion by Cynthia I. Newbille, seconded by David T. Williams, the Richmond Regional Transportation Planning Organization (RRTPO) Policy Board approved the following resolution (see Appendix A)

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.

3. Railroad Crossing Elimination Program – Ashland / Hanover County Project Endorsement

Mr. Parsons presented this matter and explained that the TAC has reviewed the request and recommends Policy Board approval.

On motion by David T. Williams, seconded by John H. Hodges, the Richmond Regional Transportation Planning Organization (RRTPO) Policy Board approved the following resolution (see Appendix A):

WHEREAS, at their July 7, 2022 meeting, the Richmond Regional Transportation Planning Organization (RRTPO) Policy Board identified the Vaughan Road railroad grade crossing as a safety concern for citizens, passenger and freight rail operators, school buses, and emergency services, and

WHEREAS, a grade separation of the Vaughn Road grade crossing will provide a connection for vehicular traffic, including emergency vehicles, between the eastern and western portions of the Town of Ashland in the event that the existing crossings in the Town are blocked due to a stopped train, and

WHEREAS, a grade separation of the Vaughn Road grade crossing will reduce traffic queueing, leading to reduced vehicle emissions and increased network fluidity, and

WHEREAS, the Commonwealth completed environmental clearance and preliminary engineering for a grade separation at Vaughan Road as part of the DC2RVA Tier II Environmental Impact Statement (EIS), for which a Record of Decision was issued by the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) on September 5, 2019, and

WHEREAS, the RRTPO and Central Virginia Transportation Authority (CVTA) have indicated that the Vaughan Road grade separation is a regional priority by committing \$4,662,000 in CVTA regional funds, and

WHEREAS, the Town of Ashland has indicated that the Vaughan Road grade separation is a local priority by committing \$300,000 in CVTA local funds,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the RRTPO Policy Board supports an application to the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) Railroad Crossing Elimination Program utilizing the available CVTA funds committed to the

Vaughan Road grade separation project as local match for leveraging federal funds.

C. AGENCY AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Transportation Agency Updates

a. CVTA

Mr. Parsons provided this report. A copy of the update is available on the TPO meeting web page.

b. GRTC

Adrienne Torres, GRTC, provided an update on GRTC agency activity. Board members had questions about the Microtransit studies with respect to rural jurisdictions. The intent is to implement pilot programs in FY24. Phase I of the study will be closed this month. The zones are being refined and will then be prioritized.

c. RMTA

There was no formal report provided by RMTA.

d. DRPT

Tiffany Dubinsky, DRPT, provided an update on DRPT agency activity. A copy of the update is available on the TPO meeting web page.

Cynthia I Newbille left the meeting at approximately 10:50 a.m.

e. VDOT

Shane Mann, VDOT, provided an update on VDOT agency activity. A copy of the update is available on the TPO meeting web page.

D. OTHER BUSINESS

1. Future Meeting Topics

There were no additional meeting topics suggested by members.

2. RRTPO Member Comments

W. Canova Peterson commented that Hanover County endorsed trail alignment for the Fall Line Trail, per VDOT's request, at the Board of Supervisors meeting last week.

There were no other comments from members.

3. Next RRTPO Policy Board Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, October 6, 2022.

D. ADJOURNMENT:

Chair Lumpkins adjourned the meeting at approximately 10:59 a.m.

Item B.-1.a.-c. - Safe Streets for All

Yays			
Vote Totals	19	0	0
Over 2/3			
Jurisdiction	Voting		
	Yay	Nay	Abstain
Status			
Weighted Vote			
Yay	Nay	Abstain	
Ashland (1)			
John H. Hodges	x		Present
Anita Barnhart (A)			Absent
Charles City (1)			
Byron Adkins	x		Present
Vacant (A)			Vacant
Chesterfield (4)			
Kevin P. Carroll	x		Present
James M. Holland	x		Present
Christopher Winslow	x		Present
Tara Carroll (A)			Absent
Vacant (A)			Vacant
Vacant (A)			Vacant
Goochland (2)			
Chairman John L. Lumpkins Jr.	x		Present
Susan F. Lascolette	x		Present
Vacant (A)			Vacant
Vacant (A)			Vacant
Hanover (3)			
Sean M. Davis			Absent
Vice Chair W. Canova Peterson	x		Present
Faye O. Prichard (A)			Absent
Vacant (A)			Vacant
Henrico (4)			
Patricia S. O'Bannon	x		Present
Frank J. Thornton	x		Present
Thomas M. Branin (A)			Absent
Vacant (A)			Vacant
New Kent (2)			
Patricia A. Paige			Absent
C. Thomas Tiller Jr.			Absent
Thomas W. Evelyn (A)			Absent
Vacant (A)			Vacant
Powhatan (2)			
David T. Williams	x		Present
Karin M. Carmack			Absent
Vacant (A)			Vacant
Vacant (A)			Vacant
Richmond (4)			
Andreas D. Addison	x		Present
Katherine L. Jordan			Absent
Stephanie A. Lynch			Absent

Cynthia I. Newbille		Present	0	0	0
Michael J. Jones (A)		Absent	0	0	0
Kristen Nye Larson (A)		Absent	0	0	0
Ellen F. Robertson (A)		Absent	0	0	0
Vacant (A)		Vacant	0	0	0
CRAC (1)					
John B. Rutledge		Absent	0	0	0
Vacant (A)		Vacant	0	0	0
GRTC (1)					
Julie E. Timm		Absent	0	0	0
Sheryl Adams (A)		Absent	0	0	0
RMTA (1)					
Joi Taylor Dean		Absent	0	0	0
Vacant (A)		Vacant	0	0	0
VDOT (1)					
R. Shane Mann	x	Present	1	0	0
Mark E. Riblett (A)		Absent	0	0	0
			19	0	0
			Yea	Nay	Abstain

SmartScale Round 5 - Chesterfield

SmartScale Round 5 - Chesterfield				Yays			
Vote Totals		19	0	0	Over 2/3		
	Voting				Weighted Vote		
Jurisdiction	Yay	Nay	Abstain	Status	Yay	Nay	Abstain
Ashland (1)							
John H. Hodges	x			Present	1	0	0
Anita Barnhart (A)				Absent	0	0	0
Charles City (1)							
Byron Adkins	x			Present	1	0	0
Vacant (A)				Vacant	0	0	0
Chesterfield (4)							
Kevin P. Carroll	x			Present	1	0	0
James M. Holland	x			Present	2	0	0
Christopher Winslow	x			Present	1	0	0
Tara Carroll (A)				Absent	0	0	0
Vacant (A)				Vacant	0	0	0
Vacant (A)				Vacant	0	0	0
Goochland (2)							
Chairman John L. Lumpkins Jr.	x			Present	1	0	0
Susan F. Lascolette	x			Present	1	0	0
Vacant (A)				Vacant	0	0	0
Vacant (A)				Vacant	0	0	0
Hanover (3)							
Sean M. Davis				Absent	0	0	0
Vice Chair W. Canova Peterson	x			Present	3	0	0
Faye O. Prichard (A)				Absent	0	0	0
Vacant (A)				Vacant	0	0	0
Henrico (4)							
Patricia S. O’Bannon	x			Present	2	0	0
Frank J. Thornton	x			Present	2	0	0
Thomas M. Branin (A)				Absent	0	0	0
Vacant (A)				Vacant	0	0	0
New Kent (2)							
Patricia A. Paige				Absent	0	0	0
C. Thomas Tiller Jr.				Absent	0	0	0
Thomas W. Evelyn (A)				Absent	0	0	0
Vacant (A)				Vacant	0	0	0
Powhatan (2)							
David T. Williams	x			Present	2	0	0
Karin M. Carmack				Absent	0	0	0
Vacant (A)				Vacant	0	0	0
Vacant (A)				Vacant	0	0	0
Richmond (4)							
Andreas D. Addison	x			Present	1	0	0
Katherine L. Jordan				Absent	0	0	0
Stephanie A. Lynch				Absent	0	0	0

Cynthia I. Newbille		Present	0	0	0
Michael J. Jones (A)		Absent	0	0	0
Kristen Nye Larson (A)		Absent	0	0	0
Ellen F. Robertson (A)		Absent	0	0	0
Vacant (A)		Vacant	0	0	0
CRAC (1)					
John B. Rutledge		Absent	0	0	0
Vacant (A)		Vacant	0	0	0
GRTC (1)					
Julie E. Timm		Absent	0	0	0
Sheryl Adams (A)		Absent	0	0	0
RMTA (1)					
Joi Taylor Dean		Absent	0	0	0
Vacant (A)		Vacant	0	0	0
VDOT (1)					
R. Shane Mann	x	Present	1	0	0
Mark E. Riblett (A)		Absent	0	0	0
			19	0	0
			Yea	Nay	Abstain

Railroad Crossing Elimination Program

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Over 2/3			
Jurisdiction	Voting		
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Status			
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Byron Adkins	x		Present
Vacant (A)			Vacant
Chesterfield (4)			
Kevin P. Carroll	x		Present
James M. Holland	x		Present
Christopher Winslow	x		Present
Tara Carroll (A)			Absent
Vacant (A)			Vacant
Vacant (A)			Vacant
Goochland (2)			
Chairman John L. Lumpkins Jr.	x		Present
Susan F. Lascolette	x		Present
Vacant (A)			Vacant
Vacant (A)			Vacant
Hanover (3)			
Sean M. Davis			Absent
Vice Chair W. Canova Peterson	x		Present
Faye O. Prichard (A)			Absent
Vacant (A)			Vacant
Henrico (4)			
Patricia S. O'Bannon	x		Present
Frank J. Thornton	x		Present
Thomas M. Branin (A)			Absent
Vacant (A)			Vacant
New Kent (2)			
Patricia A. Paige			Absent
C. Thomas Tiller Jr.			Absent
Thomas W. Evelyn (A)			Absent
Vacant (A)			Vacant
Powhatan (2)			
David T. Williams	x		Present
Karin M. Carmack			Absent
Vacant (A)			Vacant
Vacant (A)			Vacant
Richmond (4)			
Andreas D. Addison	x		Present
Katherine L. Jordan			Absent
Stephanie A. Lynch			Absent

Cynthia I. Newbille		Present	0	0	0
Michael J. Jones (A)		Absent	0	0	0
Kristen Nye Larson (A)		Absent	0	0	0
Ellen F. Robertson (A)		Absent	0	0	0
Vacant (A)		Vacant	0	0	0
CRAC (1)					
John B. Rutledge		Absent	0	0	0
Vacant (A)		Vacant	0	0	0
GRTC (1)					
Julie E. Timm		Absent	0	0	0
Sheryl Adams (A)		Absent	0	0	0
RMTA (1)					
Joi Taylor Dean		Absent	0	0	0
Vacant (A)		Vacant	0	0	0
VDOT (1)					
R. Shane Mann	x	Present	1	0	0
Mark E. Riblett (A)		Absent	0	0	0
			19	0	0
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