

AGENDA

RICHMOND REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Thursday, April 1, 2021
8:30 a.m.

Zoom Virtual Meeting

Members of the public may observe the meeting via YouTube Live Streaming on the [PlanRVA YouTube Channel](#). Opportunities for sharing comments are described in the [Public Participation](#) guide.

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3. Open Public Comment Period
(Paige/5 minutes)

4. RRTPO Chair’s Report
(Paige/10 minutes)

5. RRTPO Secretary’s Report
(Parsons/10 minutes)

- a. Title VI Update
- b. Staffing Plan Discussion - preliminary

6. Review of Selected RRTPO Agenda Topics
(Parsons/5 minutes)

7. Other Business

(Paige/10 minutes)

- a. RRTPO Member Comments

8. Next Meeting: May 6, 2021

(Paige)

9. Adjournment

(Paige)

CAP/nm
Attachments

pc: Richard Duran, FHWA
Daniel Koenig, FTA Liaison
Jennifer DeBruhl, DRPT

Martha Heeter, PlanRVA
Eric Gregory, RRPDC Legal Counsel
Richmond Area News Media

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 March 22, 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
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

**MINUTES OF ACTION MEETING
Zoom Virtual Meeting
March 4, 2021
8:30 a.m.**

MEMBERS and ALTERNATES (A) PRESENT:

Town of Ashland		Charles City County		Chesterfield County	
John H. Hodges	x	William G. Coad		James M. Holland	x
Anita Barnhart (A)				Leslie Haley (A)	
Goochland County		Hanover County		Henrico County	
John L Lumpkins Jr.		W. Canova Peterson	x	Patricia S. O'Bannon	x
Susan Lascolette (A)		Sean M. Davis (A)		Frank J. Thornton (A)	
New Kent County		Powhatan County		City of Richmond	
Patricia A. Paige	x	David T. Williams	x	Cynthia I. Newbille	x
C. Thomas Tiller Jr. (A)				Andreas D. Addison (A)	

The RRTPO Executive 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. A recording of this meeting is available on our [Plan RVA YouTube Channel](#).

CALL TO ORDER

The Richmond Regional Transportation Planning Organization (RRTPO) Policy Board Chair, Patricia A. Paige, presided and called the March 4, 2021 RRTPO Executive Committee action meeting to order at 8:31 a.m.

ATTENDANCE ROLL CALL & CERTIFICATION OF MEETING QUORUM

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

1. Consideration of Amendments to the Action Meeting Agenda

There were no requested changes to the meeting agenda. Seeing and hearing no objections, the March 4, 2021 agenda was approved by acclamation as presented.

- 2. Approval of February 4, 2021 RRTPO Executive Committee Meeting Minutes**

On motion of W. Canova Peterson, seconded by John H. Hodges, the RRTPO Executive Committee unanimously approved the minutes of the February 4, 2021 meeting by acclamation as presented (voice vote).
- 3. Open Public Comment Period**

There were no requests to address the RRTPO Executive Committee.
- 4. RRTPO Chairwoman's Report**

Chair Paige reported on the following topics:

 - Revisions to the state budget include more funds to expand Interstate 64 in Hampton Roads, including widening the highway in New Kent County and all the way to Richmond.
 - New Kent County has opened a vaccine call center for anyone with vaccination questions or to pre-register for future vaccine clinics to be scheduled in New Kent County. Weekly vaccination clinics have begun during the first week in March.
 - New Kent County Schools have been working on a plan to return to in-person learning.
 - New Kent County celebrated Black History Month in February by commemorating Dr. Calvin Coolidge Green (Green v County School Board of New Kent County) and Samuel Crump, the first African-American to serve on New Kent's Board of Supervisors after reconstruction, to name but a few.
 - Colonial Downs race dates for the 2021 thoroughbred racing season will extend seven weeks, from July 19 through September 1.
- 5. RRTPO Secretary's Report**

Chet Parsons, RRTPO Secretary, reported on the following items:
In addition to funds for the I-64 widening, amendments to the state budget also include ten million dollars to support the planning, development and construction of multi-use trails with priority to developing new regional trails, projects improving the connectivity of existing trail networks, and geographic diversity. A policy working group shall recommend a prioritization process for the identification of new multi-use trail opportunities and funding needs assessment.

 - a. Title VI
The RRTPO is required to comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (Title VI) to assure nondiscrimination in all its programs and activities. Findings from VDOT regarding Title VI review and certification are expected in the next few weeks and a full report will be provided to the policy board when available.
 - b. Federal Recertification
The last certification review was conducted in 2017. A desktop review of operations to cooperatively assess the transportation planning process within the region per federal requirements will be conducted by FHWA over the next few months. The certification itself will take place in mid-August.

6. Review of Selected RRTPO Agenda Topics

Chet Parsons, RRTPO Secretary, reviewed RRTPO Policy Board agenda topics as follows:

- Current Work Efforts
- RRTPO Work Status and Financial Reports for January 2021
- Legislative Update – APAVA “Top Bills” 2021 General Assembly
- CVTA Update
- RSTP Transfer Request
- FTA Section 5310 Program Grant Applications Endorsement
 - This item was recommended to be postponed to the April RRTPO Policy Board meeting.
- Agency Committee Reports by VDOT and DRPT

7. Other Business

a. RRTPO Member Comments

In response to an inquiry by a member, Chet Parsons presented the charge to the RRTPO Vision Zero Work Group and a brief summary of the Vision Zero strategy to eliminate all traffic fatalities and severe injuries. An update or presentation to the policy board on these planning efforts was recommended as a future meeting topic.

8. Next RRTPO Executive Committee Meeting

Chair Paige noted that the next RRTPO Executive Committee meeting is scheduled for April 1st, 2021.

9. Adjournment:

Chairwoman Paige adjourned the meeting at approximately 8:52 a.m. on March 4, 2021.