

AGENDA

RICHMOND REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION

VISION ZERO WORK GROUP

Thursday, January 14, 2021
 3:00 p.m.

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.

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

(Clarke)

STATEMENT REGARDING VIRTUAL MEETINGS

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ATTENDANCE BY ROLL CALL & CERTIFICATION OF A QUORUM

(Parsons)

1. Consideration of Amendments to the Agenda

(Clarke).....

2. Approval of the October 8, 2020 Vision Zero Work Group Meeting Summary

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Action Requested

3. Open Public Comment Period

(Clarke/5 minutes).....

4. Vision Zero Work Group Chairman’s Report

(Clarke).....

NEW BUSINESS

5. Regional Action Plan - Guided Workshop with VDOT and VHB

(VDOT’s On-Call Consultant/Parsons/45 minutes).....

OTHER BUSINESS

- 6. Vision Zero Work Group Member Comments**
(Clarke)
- 7. Next Vision Zero Work Group Meeting: TBD**
(Clarke)
- 8. Adjournment**
(Clarke)

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Attachments

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 January 7, 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
VISION ZERO WORK GROUP**

**MEETING SUMMARY
Zoom Virtual Meeting
October 8, 2020
3:00 p.m.**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Town of Ashland		Chesterfield County		Goochland County	
Nora D. Amos		Kathryn Benedict	x	Thomas M. Coleman	x
Henrico County		City of Richmond		VDOT	
Sharon Smidler Vice Chair	x	Dironna Moore Clarke Chair	x	Liz McAdory	

The RRTPO Vision Zero Work Group 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

Dironna Moore Clarke, Richmond Regional Transportation Planning Organization (RRTPO) Vision Zero Work Group Chair, presided and called the October 8, 2020 RRTPO Vision Zero Work Group meeting to order at 3:05 p.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. Approval of the October 8, 2020 Vision Zero Work Group Meeting Agenda** On motion of Sharon Smidler, seconded by Tom Coleman, the Vision Zero Work Group unanimously approved the October 8, 2020 meeting agenda as presented.
- 2. Approval of the August 13, 2020 Vision Zero Work Group Meeting Summary** On motion of Sharon Smidler, seconded by Tom Coleman, the Vision Zero Work Group unanimously approved the summary of the August 13, 2020 meeting as presented.
- 3. Vision Zero Work Group Chairman's Report**
Chairwoman Clarke shared a document with the work group for email distribution called [Moving from Vision to Action: Fundamental Principles, Policies & Practices to Advance Vision Zero in the U.S.](#) to be used as a tool to begin the conversation with the localities about how to move the Vision Zero work forward.
- 4. Deliverables to RRTPO Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)**
The work group discussed the development of a Vision Zero framework for the region. The following main components of a draft outline for a regional action plan were workshopped:

Vision Zero Education and Fundamental Principles

- Introduction
 - How do safety programs like Vision Zero and [Toward Zero Deaths](#) work?
 - What types of regional solutions / best practices exist?

The Need for Vision Zero: Defining the Problem

- Regional Crash Experience ([VDOT Crash Data Analysis Tools](#))
- Key Findings / Issues

Roadmap to Regional Action

- Proposed Strategies and Actions
 - Regional Transportation Forum
 - First Year Priorities
 - Stakeholder Pledge
 - Safety and Healthy Streets Challenge

Mike Sawyer, City of Richmond Transportation Engineer, recommended using VDOT's on-call consultant to revise the scope of work to complete the direction given by the work group. Staff will work on a draft deliverable outline for a regional action plan for RRTPO TAC consideration.

5. Local Transportation Committee Updates

City of Richmond Update

- The Vision Zero Task force made recommendations on General Assembly safety legislation during their last quarterly meeting;
- Engineering countermeasures are being deployed throughout the City of Richmond;
- The Richmond Police Department provided information on their enforcement efforts;
- The Department of Public works along with the Richmond Police Department, Richmond City Health Department and Richmond Behavioral Health discussed a new high-risk impaired driving action plan. 9 out of 12 fatalities are unbelted, 592 deaths and serious injuries so far in 2020; of those, one out of three are unbelted for the region;
- The Safe & Healthy Streets Commission meeting will be held later in the month of October.

Chesterfield County Update

- Staff met with the police department to address lighting concerns along Jefferson Davis Highway, Hull St and other high crash corridors. Process of applying for an AARP Community Challenge grant to address some of those lighting concerns in in some the high crash corridors.
- The Internal Risk Management Department and the social media team share safety tips and leadership talking points throughout the county.

Henrico County Update

- Staff also share the City of Richmond's safety updates and leadership talking points;
- Quarterly meeting was held with the Traffic Engineering Division, the Transportation Development Division, Henrico Police, VDOT Traffic Engineering, and Ashland residency to talk about serious crashes in Henrico and identify the top 10 crash locations in the county.

6. VDOT Assisted Regional Forum

Before a regional forum takes place, it is important to define the problem and understand the most critical components of Vision Zero. Roundtable discussions with elected officials, who explore and deliberate on regional crash experiences and the key findings and issues, may be a tool to build collaboration and assist with the decision-making process. The annual regional transportation forum could provide a roundtable discussion format.

7. Vision Zero Work Group Announcements and Open Public Comment Period

There were no requests to address the Vision Zero Work Group.

8. Vision Zero Work Group Member Comments

No comments were offered.

9. Next Vision Zero Work Group Meeting: December 10, 2020

Chair Clarke noted the next meeting will be held on December 10, 2020 in Richmond, Virginia.

10. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 3:59 p.m. on October 8, 2020.

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