

MPO Technical Committee
November 17th Meeting Minutes

Committee – Voting Members

Julian Bivins, *Albemarle County PC*
Kevin McDermott, *Albemarle County*
Dan Butch, *Albemarle County*
Rory Stolzenberg, *City of Charlottesville PC*
Jeannette Janiczek, *City of Charlottesville*
Chuck Proctor, *VDOT Culpeper District*
Richard Duran, *FHWA (absent)*
Wood Hudson, *DRPT*
Bill Palmer, *UVA*
Stephen Johnson, *JAUNT*
Patrick Clark, *UVA*
Juwhan Lee, *CAT*
Sara Pennington, *Rideshare*

TJPDC Staff

Jessica Hersh-Ballering
Chip Boyles
Lucinda Shannon
Gretchen Thomas
Sandy Shackelford

Guests

Andrew Pike, *OIPI*
Stephen Read, *VDOT*
Chris Wichman, *OIPI*

Other

Andy Orban

Call to Order

Mr. Stolzenberg called the virtual meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

Matters from the Public

No matters from the public.

Approval of September 15, 2020 Minutes

Mr. Lee said he was not listed on the attendance list and he was at the September meeting. Ms. Hersh-Ballering said she would make that edit. Mr. Bivins made a motion to approve the minutes as amended. Mr. Johnson seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Transportation Performance Management and Performance-Based Planning and Programming Presentation

Mr. Pike, Transportation Planner with the Office of Intermodal Planning and Investment (OIPI), provided a presentation to the board about the background on OIPI, definitions of performance-based planning and transportation performance management, and local impacts. He discussed pavement condition

performance, bridge condition performance, and systems performance for the years 2017 through 2019. (The presentation is located here: <https://campo.tjpd.com/wp-content/uploads/03-OIPI-Presentation.pdf>)

Mr. Bivins asked the process for local jurisdictions to establish their own targets for the region.

Mr. Pike responded that the MPO has until March 15, 2021 to change their targets.

Mr. Johnson asked for clarification “performance-based” in this presentation. Mr. Pike said it refers to asset conditions.

Mr. Johnson asked for additional info on the reliability measures. Mr. Pike said he would send info to Ms. Shannon who then could forward the info to Mr. Johnson.

Ms. Shannon said at the Policy Board meeting in January, the board members will be moving to adopt the targets recommended by the Technical Committee. She is looking for input from the committee on these numbers.

Mr. Bivins said he has concerns that the County has no control over the funds or the assets for the targets, but is being asked to meet those targets. He does not know why the MPO’s targets would be any different than the state’s because the state is going to drive the solution for the region. He said he is concerned that the committee is being asked to adopt performance measures that the region cannot control in any significant way.

Mr. Pike reiterated that changing the targets does not change the allocation of resources. The federal government requires that standards are set in order to have a target to measure against.

Ms. Shannon said the targets and measures bring awareness to the region’s conditions and trends.

Ms. Shannon presented the committee with the targets and requested their input. Mr. Stolzenberg asked that she send that table to the committee for review.

Transportation Performance Management: 2021 Safety Measure Targets

Mr. Read, PE from VDOT, presented the committee with the TPM 2021 safety measures.

(The presentation can be found here: <https://campo.tjpd.com/wp-content/uploads/04-Safety-Target-Presentation.pdf>)

VTrans Mid-Term Needs

Mr. Wichman presented a demonstration on the online workshop page and mapping application. (The Draft Policy Guide for the Prioritization can be found here: <https://campo.tjpd.com/wp-content/uploads/05-Draft-Policy-Guide.pdf>)

Mr. Wichman reported that there is an opportunity to attend a workshop on November 17 from 1 – 3 p.m. That workshop and recordings of previous workshops are located at www.vtrans.org under the “Events tab.”

He noted that additional information on the VTrans mid-term planning can be found at www.vtrans.org, choose the Mid-term planning link, then choose the Mid-term Needs Prioritization link. That page provides the background and the methodology and process for prioritization. Links for the draft policy guide and the draft technical guide are also located on that page. He went on to review other highlights of the website.

Mr. Wichman ended with some noteworthy items: 1) a solution/improvement does not have to be co-located with a prioritized need; 2) identified mid-term needs or priorities do not limit or prescribe nature, type, or mode of improvements; 3) there is always going to be continuous improvement in implementing the prioritization and his team is open to feedback to continually improve; and 4) UDA Needs will have an upcoming webinar.

Smart Scale Process Changes

Mr. Boyles noted that there are very few changes from the policy presented previously to the MPO committees. The key is to get started earlier in selecting the Smart Scale projects. The MPO will have an early identification of potential projects with input from various organizations and committees. The MPO Policy Board will choose up to two projects that will have extensive planning and community engagement well beyond the requirements.

He went on to explain that the key to this is that the Policy Board can change the prioritization of the project(s) if needs change.

Mr. Bivins made a motion to approve the changes to the MPO Smart Scale process. Mr. Johnson seconded the motion and the motion passed with Mr. Stolzelberg opposing.

Roundtable Updates

Tabled due to time constraints.

Additional Matters from the Public

There were no additional matters from the public.

Meeting Adjournment

Mr. Stolzenberg adjourned the meeting at 12:05 PM.