



**RESOLUTION ENDORSING THE SUBMISSION OF SMART SCALE (HB2)
APPLICATIONS REQUESTING TRANSPORTATION FUNDING BY LOCALITIES**

WHEREAS, the Charlottesville-Albemarle Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) , in cooperation with the Virginia Department of Transportation and the Thomas Jefferson Planning District Commission, completed a comprehensive Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) in May, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the 2045 LRTP includes the following transportation improvements; and

WHEREAS, the MPO Policy Board has identified transportation projects which are critical to improve safe and efficient movement of people and goods along public roadways in the Charlottesville-Albemarle Metropolitan area; and

WHEREAS, during its 2014 session, the Virginia General Assembly enacted legislation in the form of House Bill 2 (“HB2”) now titled “Smart Scale”, which established new criteria for the allocation of transportation funding for projects within the state; and

WHEREAS, the Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB) during its board meeting of June 17, 2015 approved the Policy and Guidelines for Implementation of a Project Prioritization Process in accordance with Smart Scale; and

WHEREAS, many of the transportation projects identified by the MPO meet the eligibility criteria for funding under Smart Scale; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Area of Charlottesville-Albemarle, for the MPO, the City of Charlottesville and Albemarle County to submit Smart Scale applications requesting state funding for eligible transportation projects.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Policy Board of the MPO fully endorses submission of a Smart Scale application requesting funding for the following transportation projects:

Being Submitted by the City of Charlottesville

1. **5th Street Extended from Cherry / Elliott Ave. to Harris Road:** The project will include vehicular, bicycle, and pedestrian safety improvements within corridor.

Being Submitted by Albemarle County

1. **Route 631 Rio Road/Belvedere Boulevard Intersection Improvements:** Installation of a “Continuous Green Tea” design option for improved efficiency and safety
2. **Route 631 Fifth Street Extended (Stagecoach Road to Ambrose Commons Drive) Shared Use Path:** Construction of a bicycle and pedestrian shared use path on the west side of Fifth Street Extended
3. **Route 742 Avon Street Extended (Peregory Lane to Mill Creek Drive):** Construction of bicycle and pedestrian shared use path on the west side of Avon Street Ext.
4. **US250/Old Trail Road Roundabout:** Convert intersection to a roundabout

Being Submitted by the Planning District Commission but within the MPO Area

1. **US250/Louisa Road (Rt 22) Intersection Improvements:** The project would result in a displaced left-turn for traffic traveling east on US250 and turning north onto Louisa Road. The intersection will likely be signalized. Existing traffic signals will be rebuilt.
2. **US250/Peter Jefferson Parkway Intersection Improvements and Access Management:**
 - Add a right-turn only for eastbound traffic on US250 (turning right onto Peter Jefferson Parkway) to reduce rear-end crashes at this intersection; the existing shared right-turn/thru-lane should be converted to thru-only
 - Implement a “Thru-cut” at the US250/Peter Jefferson Parkway intersection such that thru-movements on the minor approaches are eliminated to maximize signal efficiencies and reduce delay
 - Construct a new 50-space park and ride lot on the northwest corner of the US250/Peter Jefferson Parkway intersection
 - Complete/close the existing median cut between Pantops Mountain Road and Peter Jefferson Parkway – this access management treatment is intended to improve safety and reduce delay. This application may include at-grade pedestrian crossings of US250 at Pantops Mountain Road and/or Peter Jefferson Parkway
3. **US250/Rolkin Road Pedestrian Improvements:**
 - An at-grade pedestrian crossing for the northern, eastern, and southern legs of the US250/Rolkin Road intersection
 - Continuation of the sidewalk on the southern side of US250 (that currently ends at Rolkin Road) to State Farm Boulevard
4. **Milton Road Intersection Improvements:** This project was identified as part of the VDOT Project Pipeline process, and would include the construction a roundabout at this intersection.

ADOPTED this 25th day of May, 2022 by the MPO Policy Board being duly assembled.

ATTESTED:

Ned Galloway, Chair
Charlottesville-Albemarle MPO Policy Board