

## Citizen Transportation Advisory Committee

### Draft Meeting Minutes: November 17, 2021

Video of this meeting can be found at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-sNYLo5vFMw>

VOTING MEMBERS & ALTERNATES		STAFF	
Tristan Fessel, Albemarle County	x	Sandy Shackelford, TJPDC/CAMPO	x
Stuart Gardner, MPO		Lucinda Shannon, TJPDC/CAMPO	x
Daniel Bailey, Albemarle County PC		Gretchen Thomas, TJPDC	x
Lucas Beane, City of Charlottesville	x	Christine Jacobs, TJPDC	
Donna Chen, MPO	x	Chuck Proctor, VDOT Culpeper District	x
Nicholas Garber, Albemarle	x		
Patrick Healy, City of Charlottesville	x		
Ray Heron, City of Charlottesville	x		
Lee Kondor, Albemarle	x		
Marty Meth	x	<b>GUESTS/PUBLIC</b>	
Travis Pietila, MPO	x	Ethan Heil	x
Joseph French, City of Charlottesville			
Karim Habbab, City of Charlottesville PC	x		

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#### 1. **CALL TO ORDER:**

The MPO Citizen's Technical Advisory Committee Chair, Tristan Fessel, presided and called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. Sandy Shackelford took attendance by roll call, and certified that a quorum was present and then read the Notice of Electronic Meeting and Commissioner and Public Protocol.

#### 2. **MATTERS FROM THE PUBLIC:** None.

#### 3. **APPROVAL OF DRAFT MEETING MINUTES (MINUTE 2:23):**

**Motion/Action:** Travis Pietila said to be sure to note that he was in attendance at the last meeting. Tristan Fessel said to include a member from the Woolen Mills community in the list of stakeholders. Lee Kondor moved to approve the minutes with those noted changes. Travis Pietila seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

#### **4. CHANGES TO SMART SCALE ROUND 5 (MINUTE 5:00):**

Chuck Proctor shared a CTB presentation showing the changes to Smart Scale Round 5. He then discussed the impacts on the potential projects. Comments on the recommended changes to the SMART SCALE process can be emailed to: SMARTPORTAL@CTB.Virginia.gov

#### **5. TRANSIT PLANNING AND PROJECT UPDATES (MINUTE 51:50):**

Lucinda Shannon updated the committee on the Albemarle Transit Expansion Study. She said they will be gathering all comments and creating final recommendations. For additional information, please go to

<https://storymaps.arcgis.com/stories/85862f72f1c6488bbc7aac5f37ed6c24>

The second study is the Regional Transit Vision Plan that runs through 2024 and it covers all of Region 10. The next public meeting is on November 18 online. There is a survey on the TJPDC website. She encourages the committee to attend and to pass on the information to those who might be interested in participating.

<https://storymaps.arcgis.com/stories/eba42b02fcf44a46a18d0d824b3ef911>

#### **6. STAFF UPDATES (MINUTE 59:08):**

##### Rivanna River Bike/Ped Crossing

Sandy Shackelford reported that they finalized the appointments from each of the recommended groups for the stakeholder advisory committee for the Rivanna Bike/Ped bridge project. The first meeting will be on November 30. She is working on getting a website set up to include all of the information.

The other Smart Scale projects will be tackled in more depth in January. She will be working with VDOT on an outreach program for engagement with the community. She will also be working with localities with the Avon and 5<sup>th</sup> Street improvements and the multi-modal improvements. There will be a public workshop in the future to discuss all of the projects in the MPO area. The website that covers the projects is located here:

<https://campo.tjpd.org/smart-scale/>

##### VDOT Project Pipeline (1:03:33)

Chuck Proctor wrapped up the second round of the stakeholder group meetings with Albemarle County and the residency on the projects in the area. VDOT has given them preliminary recommendations and are moving into in-depth alternative analysis and recommendations. The website for the entire pipeline project is at <https://vapipeline.org/studies/culpeper/default.asp>. He noted that each program has its own page.

#### **7. FUTURE DISCUSSION TOPICS (MINUTE 1:10:48):**

Mr. Kondor mentioned that he reached out to Tim Padalino from Albemarle County and Chris Gensic with City Parks and Rec regarding the Rivanna Trails gap at Woolen Mills and Riverview Park. At some point, they said, they are considering approaching property owners to potentially grant right of way to extend the trail.

Mr. Fessel asked if there is anything being done to prevent the back up on 29 near Cane's Restaurant.

Mr. Proctor said there needs to be a connection in the rear of the properties so there is another option for entering and exiting the properties. That would be quite expensive, so he is not sure that would be a viable solution.

**8. ADDITIONAL MATTERS FROM THE PUBLIC (MINUTE 1:25:04): None.**

The next meeting will be held on January 19 at 7 p.m.

The chair adjourned the meeting at 8:28 p.m.