

CA-Metropolitan Planning Organization Policy Board Wednesday, July 26, 2023 at 4 pm In-Person Meeting

AGENDA

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Item	Time†	Description		
1	4:00-4:05	Call to Order & Attendance		
	4:05-4:10	Matters from the Public: limit of 3 minutes per speaker		
2		Public are welcome to provide comment on any transportation-related topic, including the items listed on this agenda, and/or comment <u>during items</u> marked with an *		
	4:10-4:15	General Administration * - Sandy Shackelford, CA-MPO		
3		 Review and Acceptance of the Agenda* 		
		 Approval of May 24, 2023 Meeting Minutes* 		
4	4:15-4:25	OneMap – Regional Bike/Ped Map – Sandy Shackelford/Ryan Mickles, CA-MPO		
		Project Review		
5	4:25-4:45	Moving Toward 2050 – Sandy Shackelford, CA-MPO		
3		Public Engagement Update		
	4:45-5:20	SMART SCALE		
		 Commonwealth Transportation Board Discussions about Changes in Round 6 – 		
		Sandy Shackelford, CA-MPO		
6		 Round 6 Project Development – Sandy Shackelford, CA-MPO 		
		 VDOT Pipeline Projects – Michael Barnes, VDOT 		
		Barracks Road Corridor		
		Ivy Road Corridor		
	5:20-5:35	Federal Grant Updates		
7		 RAISE Grant – Rivanna River Bicycle and Pedestrian Bridge 		
		Safe Streets and Roads for All – Comprehensive Safety Action Plan		
	5:35-5:45	Staff updates		
8		• Joint Meeting with SAW-MPO on September 27 th – Sandy Shackelford, CA-MPO		
		Monthly meetings will occur in FY24 until approval of the long range		
		transportation plan is completed		
9	5:45-5:55	Roundtable Discussion		
10	5:55-5:57	Items Added to the Agenda		
11	5:57-6:00	Additional Matters from the Public Members of the Public are welcome to provide comment (limit of 3 minutes per speaker)		
12	6:00pm	Adjourn		
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[†] Times are approximate

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^{*} Requires a vote of the Board



Charlottesville/Albemarle MPO

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VOTING MEMBERS				
Ann Mallek, Albemarle				
Ned Gallaway, Albemarle				
Brian Pinkston, Charlottesville				
Lloyd Snook, Charlottesville				
Sean Nelson, VDOT				
Stacy Londrey, VDOT (alternate)				
NON-VOTING MEMBERS				
Ted Rieck, Jaunt				
Julia Monteith, UVA				
Garland Williams, CAT				
Tiffany Dubinksy, DRPT				
Steven Minor, FHWA				
Dan Koenig, FTA				
Lee Kondor, CTAC				
Christine Jacobs, TJPDC				



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MPO Policy Board Meeting

Minutes, May 24, 2023

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Video of the meeting can be found here:

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X	Gretchen Thomas, TJPDC	х
X	Christine Jacobs, TJPDC	х
X	Sara Pennington, Rideshare	
X	Ryan Mickles, TJPDC	х
X	Curtis Scarpignato, TJPDC	X
	GUESTS/PUBLIC	
X	Ben Chambers, City of Charlottesville	х
Χ	Erin Belt, VDOT *	x
Χ	Jessica Hersh-Ballering, Albemarle	x
	Peter Krebs, PEC *	x
	Sean Tubbs *	x
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^{*} attended online via Zoom

1. CALL TO ORDER (MINUTE 0:00)

The MPO Policy Board Chair, Mr. Brian Pinkston, presided and called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. Sandy Shackelford called roll.

2. MATTERS FROM THE PUBLIC (MINUTE:48)

a. Comments by the Public: Lee Kondor said he has recommended an alternate to the Route 250/22 and the Milton Rd/250 intersection improvements and said they didn't score well in Round 5. He proposed an alternative that aligns 22/Milton Road intersection would become a single roundabout with 250. He said the score may end up being a lot higher with that project.

Paul Grady said he heard that CAMPO was considering a trail from Charlottesville to the Blue Ridge Tunnel and he read that the County would pay for three potential designs. Twenty-five years ago, he presented a proposal of transit rail to the CHART Committee and Ann Mallek went to the president of Buckingham Branch railroad with it and he agreed. They went to CSX and they agreed if there was a way to come up with a million-dollar insurance policy. That "killed the idea." Now that the state owns the railroad, he



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would like to see that concept studied alongside the trail design concept so that one idea doesn't preclude the other. He said he would like to see extra width on the bridge only used trail when it could be used for both.

b. Comments provided via email, online, web site, etc.: None.

3. GENERAL ADMINISTRATION* (MINUTE 6:28)

Review and Acceptance of the Agenda

Motion/Action: Ned Gallaway made a motion to approve the agenda, Ann Mallek seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Approval of the March 21, 2023 Meeting Minutes

Motion/Action: Lloyd Snook made a motion to approve the March 21, 2023 minutes. Ann Mallek seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

4. Public Hearing - FY24-27 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) (Minute 7:32)

Ryan Mickles gave a summary of the TIP projects. He reported that there have been no public comments received as of this afternoon. He noted that the MPO Tech committee recommended approval of the TIP as presented.

Brian Pinkston opened the meeting to the public for a public hearing. There were no comments. The public hearing was closed.

Motion/Action: Ann Mallek made a motion to adopt the TIP. Ned Gallaway seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

5. AMENDMENTS TO THE FY21-24 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP) (MINUTE 13:10)

Ryan Mickles presented the proposed amendments for the TIP. These amendments were given to the MPO from VDOT. He noted that the amendments are moving monies forward into future fiscal years.

Stacey Londry noted that there is an additional \$10 million that got switched from state to federal money.

Motion/Action: Ann Mallek made a motion to approve the amendments. Ned Gallaway seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

6. FY24 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) (Minute 18:18)

Sandy Shackelford presented the committee with the background on the UPWP and the breakdown of the various tasks and the respective budget numbers. She noted that they have made an adjustment because VDOT expressed an interest in being an engaged partner in the Safe Streets 4 All.

Ms. Shackelford noted that there is built into Task 2, Long Range Transportation Planning, on-call services/contingency. There was discussion about how that money will be used for this scope of work.

She noted that the MPO Tech committee recommended approval of the adjustments for the UPWP.

Motion/Action: Ann Mallek made a motion to approve the UPWP. Ned Gallaway seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

7. VIRGINIA ELECTRIC VEHICLE INFRASTRUCTURE DEPLOYMENT PLAN (MINUTE 24:20)

Erin Belt, Decarbonatization Lead for VDOT, presented to the Board on the deployment plan for the Virginia EV Infrastructure and Investment Jobs Act (IIJA).

She noted that the IIJA provides \$550 billion for infrastructure.

She continued discussing the National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure (NEVI) formula program timeline, the deployment plan's vision and goals, planning phases (Phase I is from '22-'23 and Phase II is from '23-'26), the iterative planning process, charging station areas, and shared the public input website. (https://publicinput.com/VirginiaNEVI

She reported on the Charging & Fueling Infrastructure Discretional Infrastructure (CFI) grant and noted that VDOT will not be applying for that grant. She went on to discuss the general eligibility requirements, whether it makes sense for entities considering applying for the grant, how the entities can comply with the NEVI requirements, and how to provide support.

Ms. Belt provided website links for resources for additional information and her contact information.

Ms. Belt gave some clarification on funding and the sources of that funding.

8. Moving Toward 2050 (Minute 1:00:18)

Ms. Shackelford noted that there have been some revisions to the LRTP, including adding "Quality of Life" as a lens. In addition, Staff grouped "Economic Development" goal with "Efficiency" instead of "Land Use." Staff also changed the "Land Use" goal language. There is also a new "Efficiency & Economic Development" goal language.

She continued by showing the other lenses (equity, quality of life, and climate action) with the goals and objectives of LRTP.

Ms. Shackelford reported that the public engagement process will begin in June with an open house on June 21 from 4-7 p.m. and a virtual open house on June 20 at 6:30 p.m. There will be a survey launched online in mid-June, and she shared the outreach strategy.

9. SMART SCALE (MINUTE 1:21:58)

Round 6 Project Development and VDOT Pipeline Projects

Sandy Shackelford gave an update on the Round 6 application development starting with unfunded projects from Round 4 and 5 of Smart Scale.

There was a discussion about which projects may not be preferential for application.

Ms. Shackelford said by the next meeting there will be a decision made about the RAISE grant, so that may change some of the projects applied for.

10. STAFF UPDATES (MINUTE 1:38:40)

Ms. Shackelford said the majority of MPO Policy Board members said that September 27 would be a good date to have a joint meeting with SAW-MPO from 10-12 at the Fishburne Military Academy at their new event facility.

She also said there had been a request for more information on the Commonwealth Corridor ID grant submitted by DRPT, and noted that the scope for the project had been provided by DRPT and was included in the meeting packet for more information.

11. ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION (MINUTE 1:40:38)

VDOT: Sean Nelson gave an update on the Smart Scale recommendations. He said the Hydraulic bundle will be moving forward. He also said the design build project called Albemarle II has multiple projects bundled together and they are trying to get a public hearing set up for the summer to get feedback.

DRPT: Tiffany Dubinsky had to leave the meeting, so there was no report.

Albemarle County: Jessica Hersh-Ballering reported that the comp plan is starting public engagement this evening with roundtable events. The County will be meeting with the 5th and Avon CAC on June 15. They will go over options from the consultants for the shared use project.

City of Charlottesville: Ben Chambers reported that they have a new bike/ped coordinator and gave an update on their Safe Routes to School program. He said they have put in \$500K in temporary improvements to make it safe for students to get to school. He also said their dockless permit for Veo will begin next week and will have to provide an access program to low-income residents. He also reported that the City has kicked off the transit strategic plan for CAT that has a very tight timeline.

CAT: No representative was at the meeting, so there was no report.

Jaunt: Ted Rieck reported that starting July 1 they are looking at cuts services in Greene and Buckingham because of cuts in their budgets.

UVA: Nothing to report. **FTA:** Nothing to report. **FHWA:** Nothing to report.

CTAC: Lee Kondor said CTAC is working with staff on the LRTP.

TJPDC: Christine Jacobs did not have anything additional to report.

12. ADDITIONAL MATTERS FROM THE PUBLIC (MINUTE 1:48:25)

None.

ADJOURNMENT: Lloyd Snook moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:49 p.m. Ned Gallaway seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Committee materials and meeting recording may be found at https://campo.tjpdc.org/committees/policy-board/



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Memorandum

To: MPO Committees

From: Sandy Shackelford, Director of Planning & Transportation

Date: July 10, 2023

Reference: Update on the Toward 2050 Stakeholder Outreach

Purpose:

In June 2023, the MPO kicked off its broad public engagement to receive community input on transportation system priorities and identify issues. The purpose of the public engagement in this phase is to develop the relative importance of different factors in determining system priorities, and to hear from the public on where there are identified issues and opportunities. This feedback will guide the analysis of systemwide data and better understand conditions that are contributing to existing system deficiencies.

Discussion:

The MPO kicked off the public engagement with a virtual informational meeting, a drop-in open house, and a MetroQuest survey. Information about these opportunities to learn more and start providing feedback were directly emailed to more than 200 points of contact that included committee members, stakeholder discussion group participants, and community representatives, including all neighborhood association points of contact in the City of Charlottesville.

Information was (and continues to be) further distributed through the TJPDC monthly newsletter, through social media, through the Albemarle County newsletter, in communication to Albemarle County's Community Advisory Committees, and has been disseminated by two news sources.

Participation to date has been modest:

- Virtual Meeting was attended by four people;
- Open House was attended by six people;
- As of 7/10/2023, 97 people have taken the survey, and have left over 400 mapping comments.

MPO Staff is working to identify opportunities to get feedback about transportation priorities through public engagement with the community. Those efforts include:

- Coordinating additional engagement and outreach with The Center at Belvedere
- Tabling at the Downtown Transit Center (Scheduled for end of July)
- CACVB Board Meeting (Late August)
- Outreach at UVA to include disseminating information through Student Government Association newsletters and planning on-campus outreach (in-person outreach late August)
- Coordinating with Albemarle County on presentations to the Community Advisory Committees (later this fall)
- Considering opportunities to conduct outreach at parks
- Continue to work directly with community organizations and stakeholders

We want to provide as many opportunities for engagement at this point in the process most importantly to help us hear from the community about their identified issues and opportunities. However, there will be additional opportunities for the public to provide feedback later in the process when we start discussing discrete projects.

Actions: This information is being shared for discussion purposes. No action is requested at this time.



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To: MPO Committees

From: Sandy Shackelford, Director of Planning & Transportation

Date: July 10, 2023

Reference: Commonwealth Transportation Board – SMART SCALE Program Review

Purpose:

The Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB) is undertaking a comprehensive review of the SMART SCALE program, including reviewing the application development process and analyzing the outcomes. While this evaluation process occurs after every round of SMART SCALE, substantive adjustments are being considered as part of the current review. These discussions began at the May 2023 CTB meeting, and are scheduled to continue through the fall.

CA-MPO staff is following the discussions and will provide a summary of key discussion items that have been covered in the CTB meetings to-date. However, the information shared at the CTB meetings goes into much more detail. No decisions regarding changes to the SMART SCALE application process have been made at this time.

Discussion:

At the May meeting, the CTB reviewed the history of SMART SCALE, feedback they received about the process after Round 5, and a high-level analysis of application performance. Office of Intermodal Planning & Investment (OIPI) staff reviewed the items that were codified into State Code that cannot be adjusted, as well as the portions that the CTB has the authority to adjust and revise. OIPI staff reviewed the main issues that were identified through their analysis of the program.

During the May meeting, the main topic that was discussed was identified issues related to the application process, and a review of potential program adjustments being considered to address those challenges.

- <u>Recording of the Presentation</u> (1:58:45)
- Meeting Slides

During the June meeting, the CTB discussed process biases, funding steps, and began the discussion on what is referred to in the CTB meeting as "One Factor Majority" issues, which is in reference to the influence the land use scoring factor has had on project funding recommendations.

- Recording of the Presentation (0:00:00)
- Meeting Slides



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The CTB held a SMART SCALE retreat on July 19th where they covered additional areas of concern including low-scoring projects and factor weighting, and staff recommended adjustments to the SMART SCALE program and high level impacts in project funding outcomes.

- Recording of the retreat not yet posted <u>CTB YouTube Channel</u>
- Meeting Slides

Actions: This information is being shared for discussion purposes. No action is requested at this time.