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MPO Technical Committee Meeting

Draft Minutes, September 20, 2022

Video of the meeting can be found at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OFUspikbHAs

VOTING MEMBERS & ALTERNATES		STAFF	
James Freas, Charlottesville	Х	Sandy Shackelford, TJPDC	X
Jeanette Janiczek, Charlottesville	х	Lucinda Shannon, TJPDC	
Rory Stolzenberg, Charlottesville PC	х	Gretchen Thomas, TJPDC	x
Kevin McDermott, Albemarle	х	Christine Jacobs, TJPDC	x
Jessica Hersh-Ballering, Albemarle	х	Ryan Mickles, TJPDC	х
Chuck Proctor, VDOT			
Stacy Londrey, VDOT (alternate)		NON-VOTING MEMBERS	
Christine Jacobs, TJPDC		Tony Cho FTA	
Stephen Johnson, Jaunt	х	Donna Chen, CTAC Liaison	
Bill Palmer, UVA *	х	Zadie Lacy, Jaunt	х
Luis Carrazana, Albemarle PC *	х	GUESTS/PUBLIC	
Juwhan Lee, CAT *	х		
Wood Hudson, DRPT	х		
Sara Pennington, Rideshare	х		
Richard Duran, FHWA			
Taylor Jenkins, DRPT (alternate)			
Michael Barnes, VDOT	Х		

^{*} attended online via Zoom

1. CALL TO ORDER:

The MPO Technical Committee chair, Mr. Rory Stolzenberg, presided and called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m. Mr. Ryan Mickles called roll. Ms. Christine Jacobs made a motion to accept the attendance of the committee members online to participate remotely. Mr. Michael Barnes seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

2. MATTERS FROM THE PUBLIC

- a. Comments by the Public: None
- b. Comments provided via email, online, web site, etc.: None

3. GENERAL ADMINISTRATION (MINUTE 3:55):

Approval of May and July, 2022 Minutes

Motion/Action: Mr. Kevin McDermott reminded the committee that there was not a quorum last meeting, so the minutes from the May meeting need to be approved. Mr. Wood Hudson made a motion to approve the July minutes, with Mr. McDermott seconding the motion and the motion passed unanimously. The May minutes will be approved at the November meeting.



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4. ELECTIONS OF MPO TECH CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR (MINUTE 5:45):

Motion/Action: Mr. McDermott nominated Mr. Stolzenberg for Chair. Ms. Sara Pennington seconded., and the motion passed unanimously. Ms. Jacobs nominated Mr. McDermott as Vice Chair. Mr. Stephen Johnson seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

5. FY23 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) AMENDMENTS (MINUTE 11:12):

Summary of Changes

Ms. Sandy Shackelford presented the committee with minor changes to the UPWP, including rollover money being smaller than anticipated.

Mr. Johnson noted that there are no measures in the UPWP. He hopes that future versions will include those to see how they are doing. Ms. Shackelford said they are intentionally left broader.

Mr. McDermott made a motion to recommend the resolution to the board for the amendment to the UPWP. Mr. Johnson seconded. Motion passed with an abstention from Mr. Hudson.

6. UPDATE ON 2050 LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN (LRTP) (MINUTE 21:15):

Ms. Shackelford gave an update on the 2050 LRTP. She reviewed the scope of work and the Gantt chart enclosed in the agenda packet.

Mr. Johnson said he would like to see what was implemented on the last LRTP and what wasn't and why. Ms. Shackelford said it is most important to look at the current needs.

Mr. McDermott said Albemarle County is reviewing and editing their comp plan, so when reviewing it, please be aware that there may be some changes. He said he will pull together a schedule on what they have planned for getting it approved.

Ms. Shackelford said that it will be important to get the LRTP in front of the Board/Council.

There was discussion among members about the LRTP process and how to do it well this next time.

Ms. Shackelford discussed defining goals and objectives, identifying priority needs, and identifying priority projects. She noted that the goals and objectives would lead to the performance measures.

Mr. McDermott noted that it will be important to reach out to underserved communities.

7. OIPI Project Prioritization Process (Minute 50:00):

Ms. Shackelford offered a peer comparison of goals between Richmond Lynchburg, Staunton/Augusta/ Waynesboro, and Fredericksburg.

She presented recommendations for goal categories for the CA-MPO LRTP 2050, including Safety,

Equity & Accessibility, Mobility/Congestion Mitigation, Economic Development & Land Use, Environment, System preservation.

Mr. James Freas recommended that "congestion" be dropped from the goals, and, after some discussion, the majority of the committee concurred.

Ms. Shackelford explained that the needs prioritization performance measures are under development. There was discussion about safety, including potential for safety improvement intersections, potential for safety improvement segments and bicycle and pedestrian crash hot spots.

There was also discussion about how to increase safety measures for bike/pedestrian safety in major corridors.

She continued with the Equity & Accessibility, mobility, and system preservation performance measures.

Ms. Shackelford said that economic development & land use and environment performance measures are not included in need prioritization presented, but noted they will inform project prioritization.

Mr. Johnson and Mr. Juwhan Lee both said it is important to consider whether transportation is accessible with land use planning. (example – Willow tree in Woolen Mills)

8. SAFE STREET FOR ALL (MINUTE 1:39:09):

Mr. Mickles presented the committee with an update on the Safe Street for All discretionary grant program that the MPO has applied for. The application was submitted on September 15. If awarded, nearly half of the \$1.1 million grant amount will go to public and stakeholder engagement.

9. STAFF UPDATES (MINUTE 1:44:47):

Rideshare

Ms. Pennington reported that September is Discover Transit month, and November is Rideshare month. She also noted that September is the one-year anniversary of Afton Express. Afton Express has been doing giveaways every Thursday in the month of September. She also reported that there will be some sort of giveaway for those who use the Rideshare app and log their trips next month.

10. ROUNDTABLE UPDATES (MINUTE 1:49:42):

Due to time constraints, the roundtable was shortened.

Mr. I Barnes gave a brief update on the Route 29/Hydraulic Road project, with clarification of the project by Ms. Shackelford, and said they are working through SmartScale applications.

Mr. Hudson said DRPT is wrapping up the rail plan and reported that there will be a virtual public meeting on September 27 from 6-7 p.m.

11. Additional Matters From The Public (Minute 1:55:34):

None.

ADJOURNMENT: Mr. Stolzenberg adjourned the meeting at 12:03 p.m.